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Dear Madam,

Some time ago you wrote to me about a Conference which it was proposed to hold on the subject of the admission of women to the ordained ministry. I understood from my sister-in-law, Miss Margaret Taylor, that quite naturally this Conference was post-roned when war broke out. I must plead this excuse for not replying to your letter. However I am anxious to assure you that I am very much interested in the subject and to say that I should like to be kept in touch with the movement and to know of any developments.

I gather that we are not to be called upon to express an opinion about the expediency at present of ordaining women to the priesthood but are asked to study and think and pray about the position of women in the Primitive Church and in the Church of today, - and in the Church of the future. All this has my deepest sympathy and I am horing to be able to make a contribution to the subject by as careful a study as possible of the part played by women in the 'apostolic age'. Of course the whole subject is bound up with the subjects of the Church and the 'Ministry', - and I feel sure that thinking people are taking and are going to take much wider views on these. It is most important that solid study should precede any expression of opinion or claims.

Believe me, Yours faithfully, 7.73. alloworthy