

It is a great relief to me
to hear from you and
know that you are
well and happy. I
am sure you will
continue to be so.
I am your affectionate
friend,
J. B. F.

My dear friend,
I received your letter
of the 13th inst.
and was glad to hear
from you. I am
well and hope
you are the same.
I am your
affectionate friend,
J. B. F.

month & the responsibilities of
the situation are greater now
than at any previous time -
yet I, for one, am glad, cheerfully
commit him to the guidance
of his Master, though I feel that
we cannot supply his place &
shall part with him under
disappointment for the future
of our cause.

His requests us "to look out at
once for some other person to
succeed him". I will write him
by this mail for an official com-
munication to our Com. upon
the subject, as his conversation
with me was ~~general~~ general;
~~stating~~ stating your need of his
services - his desire to return to
Larkham if it was the Lord's will,
his prospect of doing so at the end
of this scholastic year - but I
think it due to him to commu-
nicate with us definitely in writing.
It was evident to me that his

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Kindly Richardson
Dear friend

Before my return
from N. C. yesterday I found
thy letter upon my table.

I have freely talked over the
return of J. M. to Larkham,
with him, & have carefully
read thy letter upon the same
subject.

Joseph came to us & he has in the
ordering of him who has led us
step by step in our missionary
work in N. C., & ~~also~~ his work
in the ministry & labor in the
cause of Education, has been
signally blessed to the people
& to himself - his experience
has been enlarged, his gift grown
& his health much benefited.
The field of labor extends every