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Dear Dr. Lee:

Thank you for your wonderful letter dated December 21, 1993. You are a very descriptive and talented writer. I would suggest YOU write a book about Dwight Mission. Or write a comprehensive book on the Indian Mission schools and include Dwight Mission as one of the featured schools.

My interest in Dwight Mission is intuitive rather than historical in nature. We drive by Dwight Mission on the way to Stokes Smith's ceremonial grounds in the warm months and it almost gives me a chill. Twice I have attended meetings there and I have had a strong feeling that there are dark stories about Dwight Mission that need to be told. On the other hand, I have spoken with a number of people who have had positive personal experiences with Dwight Mission School.

On a completely different note, my step-son, Chris Soap, just finished his undergraduate degree in a pre-med program. He wants to go to dental school next year. I would imagine he will attend OU Health Sciences Center.

Best wishes and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wilma P. Mankiller', written in a cursive style.

Wilma P. Mankiller
Principal Chief