

A Letter
From Founder

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From: pdkiewit@sssnet.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 5:09 PM
To: Paul Herrera
Subject: our meeting today

Dear Paul:.....if I may call you by your first name.

You cannot imagine how much I was heartened by our meeting today; to get to know you and have the feeling that the Foundation is in good hands... and that God will guide you through the thick and thin of it all. I really believe that.

In my history of the first 25 years I refer several times to the fact that I believe God was the founder of Hope Homes, we were just His hands and feet. Mrs. Leiphart, were she still here among us, would assure you that she was praying for you. This was something she said to me innumerable times when I would be discouraged and, upon several occasions in the first half dozen years, was ready to throw in the towel. I often think...what if I had succumbed? God did work through a small band of dedicated people; and for several years, with no real noticeable progress, we still met faithfully every other month. Sometimes, as I look back on it, it was probably just to buoy each other up and to resolve for yet a little longer, to keep on trying. And we fervently prayed for patience and guidance!

Now, in Mrs. Leiphart's behalf and memory, just know that you and all that you do to bring Hope Homes Foundation, Inc. onto a good footing is being held up in my prayers. I think in the few weeks you have been in charge you have done an exceptional job. As David brought me home, we rejoiced in meeting you and in learning of your background in this field of endeavor with DD,

This email has gone far to long.....but I just wanted you to know of my sense of satisfaction and relief in our time together this morning. I have a feeling that all of this is going to come together satisfactorily, and just want you to know that I am in your corner cheering you along! Call on me any time....at 94 I cannot get out and about.....but I have a good listening ear; after 40 years in the ministry!

Gratefully yours,
Paul D Kiewit

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