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My Dear Bobby:-

How I have wondered what you'd like most of all for your Christmas. but the more I wonder the harder it seems for me to do <sup>or give</sup> what you'd like of best. However just as much love and best wishes for a very happy season goes into this as if it were the greatest gift in the world.

Sis, Doc and Alice and I had a lovely day with Margaret, Panny & Robert (Brother) Geo Mobley his wife Virginia dropped in at the last minute on Sunday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> we all had dinner with Margaret which are always so enjoyable and lovely.

Hope you're getting along nicely. I sure did enjoy the boneless turkey you sent me for I thank you very much so nice of you to think of me and in such a nice way. Wish so much you could see our new Pastorium it is very nice I think. Mr Brown is trying to get us to run our Church on a Budget plan which I believe a very good idea. I have so many things I'd like to show you and tell you that I shall mail to your address in due separate covers. some items of interest which I think you may enjoy. I have been appointed as Custodian of our Church. Redwoodie Marie Sheno & I.

I'll tell you as I told Ranny. you have our consent to be married "there" providing you marry a home girl and one who is a member of our Church, you understand why? eh? of course others would prefer them over.

Guess Margaret keeps you posted with all the news so I guess theres hardly any thing I can write that you do not know. Doll Baby is taking music right along seems to be doing nicely. we put the piano in the dining room where the heater is so it would be more comfortable for her to practice. Miss Browning boards with us and teaches her she & Miss Mills are with us this year.

Let me tell you some thing which happened to me Friday afternoon I went out to get up the eggs and bring them in. just as I lifted the latch on the door with my right hand taking my left hand to open the door I felt my diamond ring move just then I put my thumb on the stone to see if it were loose (a habit I'd formed) well to my "horror" the prongs struck me I looked and "behold" the stone was gone you can imagine my feeling. Doll baby and others came to my assistance I said to her well baby manna feels like a pauper now. as long as I had my diamond I felt I'd never be broke. she turned and walked away saying "never not as long as you're kin to me". which I thought was so sweet. soon Duncan came in

and as it was getting late & dark we got a  
light to look for it. After groping around on our  
hands & knees <sup>(Baby)</sup> she said oh! I see it. reaching  
over picking it up. You can still imagine our great  
joy I grabbed her and she me hugging and hopping  
skipping & jumping thank goodness she'd found it. I said  
take it Baby it is yours. This is your Christmas present from  
mama. So I've given it to her. Her can is to keep it for  
her until she becomes old enough to value & appreciate it  
of course she is <sup>now</sup> only a baby <sup>But!</sup> if ever she gets married  
that is the something old I want her to be married in  
Listen! dont know how much I've written you

guess I'd better stop. Look & Listen sure enough, dont  
even know if you can read it. Dee is getting  
along fine has a rolling chair and goes all about  
rolling herself around. I see <sup>now</sup> I believe this is the  
third page. Therefore I think I shall mail two  
separate letters. part in this and balance in  
another guess you'd enjoy it more seems  
funny dont you think Gues I will close this, hope  
I havnt written too much about us but thought you  
be interested. Well I dont suppose it will be  
as long now as it has been before you'll be  
coming back to us so hurry and remember we all  
love you in the same old way with just lots of love  
and the very best wishes from all of us I am sweetly and  
fondly yours Aunt "Rose Lou"

P.S. I thought I could not send all of this  
together, "But will try to any way -"  
not as rude as I thought.  
Hope you can understand it.