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Dear Brother Newman,

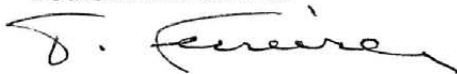
After reading your letter of July 28, written to Tim Poirier, and after having talked with you on the phone, here are some additional remarks on your important questions:

1. You are right in pointing out that there is no scriptural foundation to justify any belief in Ellen G. White as the only prophet for the Adventist Church.
2. Furthermore Joel 2 and Acts 2 seem to predict more than one prophet, in the "last days".
3. Ellen G. White never pretended to be the only possible prophet for the S.D.A. Church.
4. It should be clear that God is responsible for the choice of His prophets. Not the Church. Therefore we cannot limit the number of prophets.
5. When we met with the Lutheran Church, at an official level, the question of having just one prophet, was raised. However none of my colleagues present, expressed any opinion excluding the possibility of having more prophets.

I will be happy to further discuss this issue with you, if need be. May I emphasize though that what I say in this letter reflects my personal views, and does not bind the White Estate. However I never noticed any disagreement on these.

Without further comments, please accept, dear Pastor Newman, my best Christian and cordial regards.

Yours in His service



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