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Dear Rabbi Lamm,

Many thanks for your book 'The Good Society' which has just arrived.

You mentioned in your last letter about getting pen to paper to write down my inner ruminations. Yes there are many, they are there... As I mentioned earlier in previous notes, marriage and my full time job at C.C. has given me that 'his~~y~~ashvus bakelim' that I have needed for some time. I have passed the theoretical searching pseudo-Hassidic existentialist stage, (let's call it the 'green' period!) .I am now trying to work through some of those ideals/ideas in practice which involves interacting with people conflicts, intrigues and responses. 81315

Thought and theorizing, in that they seek a uniformity, to make the ever present chaos manageable, are somewhat artificial. The living realities often lack coherence and act as necessary filters. They hopefully make our ideas approximate closer to the emes hadavar.....

Nevertheless, just to reassure you that the spirit within is still digging, albeit in a more subdued way, I enclose a beautiful nigun I came across recently. I am afraid much of it is in Ukrainian but ya ya's will do just as well! perhaps your daughter can oblige on the piano, although a wind instrument is preferable. It takes quite some time to get into the mood of the music and definitely a life time of heart searching to get to and live the theme, the penemius.....?+!!

I've begun to take an interest in Nach again. Gemorrah (Malachic) is I'm
afraid still kept at a respectful distance. Perhaps in time.....?

Naomi sends her best wishes to all the Lamms and so until I hear
from you soon with your reactions to ^{the} nigun I wish you well

Keep singing !

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Michael T!

P.s. * There is a recording on Lub record number 4,