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Dear Prof. MacDaniel

Well, here I am back in Indiana surrounded by several feet of snow - (although I'm safe + snug in my new apartment.) I've launched myself into the Hebrew exegesis class here + guess what our first readings were! Gen 37-38! Aren't I lucky!? Next week we start on Ruth, + then Psalm 13, + then the Book of Jonah. We have vocab tests + once a week, a major test every couple of weeks, an exposition due in Apr + a final exam at the end.

The best thing though, is that although I have to catch up on Hebrew vocab, I don't feel at all at a loss in the class. In fact, I feel that I'm way ahead in some ways. That's a joyful surprise.

Most of all, though, I realise more + more that January was a delightful gift from GOD for me. Believe it or not, despite my anxiety, I now see January as a spiritual highlight for me. — the opportunity to be taught by one of God's gentle theological rascals! Thank you very much for your gentleness and determination



to open us up to the fresh air of new ways of
seeing old material. I think you are a special
gift to EBTS, and the Church at large.

If possible, could you send me the name
+ address of the Company that produced the
Bible package for windows with the Hebrew
Bible etc. that you showed to us. I would
like to begin saving towards that soon.

Yours Sincerely
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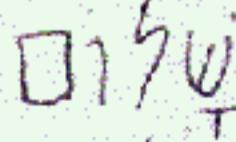
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Dear Prof. MacDaniel

Strangely, as I pursue what I see as my call to teach, I find myself drawn more and more towards Biblical Studies — Old Testament & Hebrew studies in particular. I have been surprised by how much I enjoy Hebrew and what a liberating experience Hebrew studies have been for me.

So I wondered if you would have any suggestions about good places to study for PhD — or good people to study with, taking my international student status into account.

I know you're frightfully busy — (is that book on Deborah done?) — but if you do have any strong opinions on this I'd be ever so grateful if you'd drop me a note and let me know. If not, stay in peace. God's blessings and 

Sincerely

Bethan Thiemessen (class of Jan '93)