

MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF PORTO RICO

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

P. O. BOX 1115

SAN JUAN, P. R.

Jan. 5, 1924.

Rt. Rev. Manuel Ferrando,
Box 472,
Ponce, P. R.

My dear Bishop:

I am delighted to inform you that word has been received from the New York office, to the effect that an appropriation has been made for your salary as Suffragan Bishop, when your election as such has been confirmed by the standing committees, at the rate of \$2500. per annum, same to date from the receipt of such confirmation. Furthermore, until such time as the said confirmation shall be received, a special appropriation has been made for you, as rector of Holy Trinity Church, Ponce, at the rate of \$2500 per annum, same to date from your arrival in the field.

Furthermore, an appropriation is made for your traveling expenses within the district, at the rate of \$200. per year, to date from Jan. 1, 1924.

Still further, an appropriation up to \$1000. per year is made as house rent allowance. The expression, "Up to \$1000. " is always understood to mean that they pay your rent, whatever it may be, \$600, \$800, or \$1000, a year, but they do not expect to go beyond the \$1000. In other words, if you are able to rent a suitable house for \$800. a year, the Board makes a saving of \$200 thereby.

Needless to say, it gives me great pleasure to pass this word on to you, and I will, as soon as possible, arrange with the treasurer to send you the difference between this appropriation and the salary which I had instructed him to send.

I am sending you to-day a check, to my order and indorsed to you, for \$150.00, which is the first amount I promised to send toward the work of repairs on the rectory. Also, a check for \$173.77 for your salary, for two days in November and for the month of December, at the rate of \$1700 per year, plus \$157 additional, which was the salary for a rector at Ponce before the special appropriation was made, as spoken of above.

Upon investigation, I find that Modesto was paid the sum of \$59.50 for travel expenses from Quebrada Limon to Ponce, from Aug. 25 to Nov. 26. Eight of these trips were at the rate of \$6., round trip, and two at the rate of \$5. He should have drawn in this amount 25c. per meal for the meals he had at St. Elizabeth's House. In the account sent in by him, no mention is made of any meals. Does the \$6. for the round trip include the amount for meals at St. Elizabeth's? Will you please find out about this from Modesto, and if it does include the amount for his meals, ask him to settle with Mrs. Worrall at the said rate?

With all best wishes, believe me,

to both of you
Very sincerely yours,