

Memphis, Tenn.  
Dec 3, 1944.

Chaplain Eastwood.  
464 Bomber Group.  
Italy.

Dear Chaplain Eastwood

I received your very kind letter written Oct 31, it arrived here the 1st days of Dec 44. I have been so distressed over Sidney's being missing, and your kind words gave me comfort I shall never forget. Everyone has been so kind to us during our period of waiting and hoping.

Last night Dec 2, we received a telegram from the War Dept saying Sidney is a prisoner of Germany, you can imagine how we rejoiced to know that our darling was alive, we immediately went down on our knees to give God our praise for sparing his life. He has always been such a good boy never gave me any trouble growing up, and that is something to be proud of. I will always remember Dec 2nd as the happiest day of my life, hearing that he was alive. I only have two children, my other son is in the hospital in France or England he has been injured, we

don't know how <sup>= 2 =</sup> badly, it is his  
feet, I had a letter from him yesterday  
and he says he is getting along  
fine, getting the best of care. Chaplain  
my boys are my dearest possessions.  
I ask and beg of you to pray for  
them continuously and for their dear  
wives and babies, and for me to  
keep courage and to be brave while  
they are away.

You spoke of Lt Fowler  
he is certainly a fine young man  
he has written three letters so  
encouraging, and comforting, I  
know his parents are proud to call  
him son.

I pray that each boy  
in the crew came down safely, if  
you should hear anything further  
about them, I wish you would  
write me all about it, and thank  
you for the names of the boys  
I shall write their parents.

Chaplain Eastwood words  
can't express my appreciation of  
your kindness, maybe sometime  
we might be able to repay you  
in some way, may God bless you  
and keep you, that you may win  
our boys over there for Gods Glory.  
that they will not go in to battle  
without first giving their hearts to him.  
We would like to be called your  
friends. Katie Myers Mother <sup>of boys</sup>  
Evelyn Elder Wise <sup>children</sup>  
Mary  
Patricia