

To the Church & Congregation At Hamptonfalls

Hon. & Belov'd

Inasmuch as thro' the Permission of Divine Providence your attempts to settle in order of the Gospel have once & again been disappointed, and your disposition toward my settling with you seems at present (so far as I can learn) in general not to be alienated or divided by our former parting, & the trials you have since made, but rather increased contrary to my expectation - I may I think look upon ~~it~~ your renewed Call as a Call of Divine Providence, notwithstanding the uneasiness of some whose dissatisfaction I cannot account a sufficient discouragement to my settling with you but hope thro' the interposition of Divine goodness will ^{soon} be removed - I therefore now accept of your invitation & purpose by the will of god to devote myself to his service in the work of the ministry among you; ~~and~~ ^{and} sensible of my own Imperfections & humbly depending on the help & grace of god I ask your prayers continually for me, and wishing grace, mercy and peace may be multiply'd unto you I remain ready to serve you in the gospel of our common Lord -

Paine Wingate junr.

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M^r Wingate's ^{25. 9}
Acceptance of a Call
to Settling Ministry
in Hampton Falls

M^r Wingate's answer to
To his Reverend Call