

Camp near Alexandria Va May 26 1863

Dear Father

I am glad of this chance of writing you poor as it is you would think it was poor if you could see how we are situated

We were taken from Annapolis & are in the Camp Convalescent We have pretty good sleeping apartments but I shall not attempt to say much in regard to our situation at present I want some money very much will you please send me two or three Dollars I feel ashamed to ask it but I want it very much I hope sometime to be paid off again and then I will try to make propper returns I am quite well but feel a little Blue and hope we may not always be under the control of such officers as now has charge of the camp it is an impossibility I think of getting a chance to get home & so I shall have to content myself the best I can last Sabbath eve I attended preaching and heard 2 fine sermons and exhortations and the spirit of the Lord seems to be moving among the people connected with the camp I felt it was good for me to be there though it seems sometimes as if satan had a stronghold in my heart, which with the examples & influences that are around me it seems difficult to throw off but I pray to be delivered from temptation and evill and overcome the world please direct to

Convalescent camp
Near Fort Bernard Va
Via Washington D.C.

NB please send those stamps I wrote for in A as soon as possible by mail or Ex as you please