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Letter from William P. Finley to James B. Finley

William P. Finley

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Brother James
Much time has elapsed since I have heard
from you or yours, feeling anxious for your
wellfare I have taken up My pen to inform
you with respect to our ups & downs
since I have seen you And I don't
know when I was worse calculated to
either write or compose than the present
however I will do the best I can & that
is all that is required In the first place
I am bound for heaven Through every
opposition Glory to god for what he has
done for my soul In the next place
I pass through many conflicts much
darkness & frequently many fears but my
trust is in god he has been my best friend
hitherto & through grace I will trust
him to the end &c We have some good
times 4 or upwards have been gained to some
societies and some places there appears to be
a considerable prospect I hope he will carry
his work & save the world ere long & my
family is well & I hope is struggling for heaven
this morning I was favored with a visit from
Father & brother John the were well with
their families Father's Mcquinty's people are
all tolerably well Except Polly Boyd who
has not been well this five months

William is married to Dolly Boringrove
Lury is married to a strange An Yankee
girl, religion is dead here and I am afraid
will be I expect to start to morrow if life
hermits for my lieut not to beat
down for four weeks oh that God may
go with me and in my absence preserve
my family nothing uncommon has taken
^{in my knowledge} place except some deaths which were very
sudden Some of our preachers have left
their lieuts not able to preach any more
Brother Parker I am told is lying for death
Brother Atkins has left the church I am told
Brother Pavey is gone home to die I am
told & Brother Lawner Blackman
was drowned at Cincinnati a short time
since It is serious times when the Lord
is thus working with his servants I hope
you will pray for me James with all
your might & mine I want you
to write immediately & let us know how you
are I wish you to give my love to Hannah
& Betty & every body that asks about me
Brother Myers & family &c I am your
Brother until death
June 14th 1815 Wm D Sinsley