

South Berwick, Me. July 25/62
Hon. Israel Washburn, Jr. Gov. of
the State of Maine

Dear Sir:

This is to inquire
if there is a Chaplain wanted for
any Reg. of Vol. now forming, or yet
to be formed, or to fill any vacancy
in a Reg. now organized and "off
to the war"?

If one is wanted the writer - your
humble servant in the cause of Our
Country - and now Pastor of the
Freewill Baptist Church at S. Berwick
is at your service.

Quite a number of the members
of my Church and Congregation
have enlisted and are now at the
seat of war. One of my Deacons is
in the 12 Reg. Butlers Division -
He writes us that their Chaplain

is sick, and at home, and they
have no religious services.

They want their former Chaplain
to return, or else some one sent
to perform a Chaplain's duties for them.

This circumstance together with
my desire to serve my Country has
induced me to write you upon this
subject.

I will only add my age is 37-
Evidences of qualification, and
recommendations satisfactory will
be given, if necessary- and I am at
your service for any place if such
place there be where I may be needed
as Chaplain.

Yours Sincerely,
Joel Baker

His Excellency
J. Washburn Jr. Gov.
of the State of Maine

Berwick
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Baker, J.

Offis his services as Chaplain.

Chaplain,

July 25.

South Berwick

Rev. Mr. Baker,