President's Office

G. S. L. City March 11th 1858

Bishop P. T. Farnsworth,

Dear Brother:‑‑

In reference to rebaptizing those brethren and sisters who have arrived from San Bernardino and settled in your place, you are probably aware that in the days of what has been termed the reformation the brethren in San Bernardino engaged in that work, and many were then rebaptized, upon the same principle as were the Saints in the various Settlements in Utah. So far as that was the case, you will readily understand that there is no more necessity at present for the re‑baptism of such persons than there is for the general rebaptism of those who in the reformation were rebaptized in our various settlements. Of course those who were not then re‑baptized would not come under the above suggestion.

I remain, as ever,

Your Brother in the Gospel.

Brigham Young