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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
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Dear Governor,

Please help me. Time is of the urgency. Yesterday, I received a notice from the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce that I have a \$4,228.28 overpayment of the approximately \$6,800 I was paid while I was unemployed - in fact, while both my wife and I were unemployed. They are turning this over for collections, which may severely damage my credit.

They agency is claiming I defrauded the State when I failed to report unrealized earnings from a course I was facilitating as an Adjunct Professor of Theology with Liberty University. In other words, they claim I should have reported \$275 a week for a course that only paid me after 12-weeks. I have tried several times to communicate with the Agency that no one ever instructed me to treat my earnings with Liberty in this manner - it was not a message conveyed during a class, a letter, an email...NOTHING. I am a very compliant individual and I respect authority. Had I been told, I would have done so. I even reported receipt of \$55 given to me as a gift from a member of the church.

I should have reported the money received from Liberty on the week it was electronically deposited into my account. That was a simple oversight and should have resulted in a \$345 overpayment...but not more than \$4,200!

Frankly speaking, this is ludicrous! Had I acted as the Agency is telling me I should have, my wife and I would have had to live on +/- \$65 per week. When I asked the reviewing officer at the Unemployment Office how I was suppose to live on that, he actually told me, "You should have budgeted your money."

Really!!

Please help us. The Lord has tried us over the last few years: both my wife and I lost our

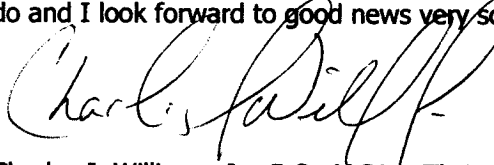
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jobs in 2015, I suffered a stroke in May of 2015, and I have been unable to find a church that can afford to pay their Pastor a salary. The last thing I need right now is to have to pay back more than 60% of the unemployment I received from South Carolina.

Please help me.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to me. I sincerely appreciate anything you could do and I look forward to good news very soon.



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"Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act" (Prov 3:27, NIV).

"A person's wisdom yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense" (Prov 19:11).

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you" (Eph 4:32).