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EDITORIAL

ORGANIZATION VERSUS SPIRITUALITY

We do not mean to imply by the caption of this article that we cannot have organization and spirituality in the same body, for we believe that a church, to be strong and successful, should comprehend both. Our God loves order and system which is demonstrated by His wonderful creation and the laws which govern this universe. The early church of Jesus Christ seemed to be organized. It had its various offices, filled by pastors, teachers, deacons. They gave to Paul and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship, which evidently made them members of the organization. We believe however that the early church had a very simple organization and that without any schisms. The apostle writes. There is one body and one spirit even as ye are called in one hope of your calling. One Lord, one faith, one baptism. So it seems that there was the minimum of organization and maximum of spirituality which is as it should be today. The tendency today seems to be toward organization, and away from spirituality. Or in other words the less spiritual churches become the more organizations they want, and the more spiritual they are the less they emphasize organizations. Every modern religious society is organized today as it never was before. We have in our Sunday Schools organized classes for pupils of every age, and they all have their business routine to go through every Sunday and plans to make and talk over for social affairs during the week so very little time is left to study the word of God or the Sunday School lesson. And almost every church has its Brotherhood, Boy Scouts, Wolf Pack, Girl Guides C. G. I. T., senior young people's society, junior young people's society, etc. So there is no lack of organization and each of these have their little programs to work out in the way of entertainment and social life, and very little time is given to spiritual life or soul culture. Now the tendency with these various societies is toward division or schism, which God never ordained. Each member is taught and feels he must support his own little society, and attend its meetings, and he or she soon loses interest in other services of the church because they feel they belong to some other group. Hence the members of the young people's society will attend their own meetings but very rarely will be found at the regular prayer meetings of the church, because they seem to feel no obligation to support them, and there is a spirit of division between the young people and older members of the church which is not helpful or conducive to the building up of a strong

spiritual body. I find no hint in the scriptures where Jesus or the apostles ever set any age limit, or drew any lines between the young people and older ones of the church. The fact is they all need to worship together. The older members need the inspiration which comes from the courage, zeal, and optimism of the young people. And whether they realize it or not, the young people need the counsel, and steadying influence of those of more mature years, who have learned some things by experience in years of service which the younger ones have not had.

Please don't misunderstand me now, I am in full sympathy with encouraging our young people to take on responsibility not only in their own societies, but responsibility in every phase of our church work, and also I would give them every opportunity to develop their own talents and initiative which will be strong factors in carrying on the work of God in the churches; but I would have them feel that our young people's society is not a unit in itself; but only a part of the whole organism, a member of the body which for its own sake and the good of the body must work for the advancement of all the interests in our churches.

One member of the body, an arm, a hand, a leg, cannot live separated from the body, it must die. Let the young people come to our camp-meetings this summer to work, boost, lift, pray for the success of all the meetings in the salvation of souls. Let them be sure to attend all the services and take an active part, and thus get the spiritual help they need to build them up on their most holy faith. Beware of becoming so busy transacting business relative to your societies that you neglect the means of grace for soul culture.

The Lord bless all our young people.

CORRESPONDENCE

246 North St.,
Milltown, Maine

Dear Mr. Dow:

It is time for my renewal to the Highway for which I am enclosing \$2.00.

I want to testify to the rich blessing in serving Christ. It is through the good teaching I received from dear brother H. Clark many years ago and my Bible that has kept me true to Him. I also want to say that the reading of the Highway brings strength and spiritual blessings to me.

Yours in Christ,

MRS. A. C. DOW

Milltown, Maine

Dear Brother Dow:

A note from this part of the vineyard might not be amiss at this time. God is blessing in the work and we are enjoying His presence in our heart.

During the past month there has been a revival spirit on in the church here and also in Crawford. We have held a number of special meetings along with the regular services. We did our own preaching excepting last week, when we had Brother H. S. Wilson with us from Tuesday until Friday. He is a good evangelist and we certainly enjoyed his presence and help. Mr. Curtis Saulsbury, negro tenor, was with us two nights to help in special singing. He stopped over while enroute to Petiscodiac for special services at Easter time. He is a good singer but not much acquainted with holiness work. During the month several were at the altar, some to be reclaimed, a few to start for the first time and several to be sanctified wholly. We praise God for victory to date

and expect to see many more come to Him.

We are starting special meetings in Alexander, Maine. We are praying that God may help us organize a circuit of churches in that territory. Pray for us that God may have His way. We are looking forward to the time of the district quarterly to convene with the Calais church, May 23rd to 26th inclusive.

Yours in Him,

REV. E. R. BRADLEY

St. John, N. B. Dear Highway:

Just a note again from this corner of God's vineyard. I suppose all are wondering how the revival campaign went. Well, let me say we had a good meeting. Brother Hartley E. Mullen, who was our evangelist, did some great preaching, but apart from the first night he worked under a handicap. He took cold and got very hoarse but, thank God, he never missed a service. The meetings were good from start to finish. A good number found their way to the altar of prayer and seemed to get what they came after. The crowds were very good all through and the people seemed to enjoy the ministry of our brother. We had a good day yesterday, the 5th. We had the privilege of having Evangelist W. B. Hallows with us, a Nazarene preacher, and he preached for us three times. The services were well attended, conviction was on; some requested prayer.

We gave the right hand of fellowship to two last evening. We believe God still lives and holiness belongs to Him.

We want to thank our churches. St. John and Grey's Mills, who have so kindly remembered us at this season of the year with a nice little purse. I'm sure it was very kind and thoughtful of them and so very acceptable. It's just wonderful how God answers prayer and supplies needs and we thank God for people whose hearts are open to obey even when it touches the pocketbook, so again we say thank you. We plan to begin our summer's work at Grey's Mills next Sunday, the 12th. We pray God to help us that we may be able to help all these dear people along spiritual lines.

We covet the prayers of God's people for us here. May God bless you all.

Yours for full salvation,

H. S. MULLEN

Head of Millstream, N. B.

Dear Brother Dow:

We feel that we have much to praise the Lord for. For all His goodness to us. Recently we were presented with money to buy a new suit of clothes. These tokens of appreciation on the part of God's people make us feel like living nearer the Lord and doing our best to prove worthy of the kindness these good folk have shown toward us. We thank all who donated this gift. We are expecting to begin revival services here at Head of Millstream, May 12th. Brother H. S. Wilson is our evangelist and Sister Winnifred Shaw as special singer. Pray for these services that God may give us a real revival.

Yours in Him,

H. E. MULLEN

Dear Highway Readers:

It is now over a year since I began to read the Highway. I have enjoyed its pages so well.

It breathes of spirituality.

I have changed my address. I am doing missionary work which necessitates my being