



AMHERST, N. S.:

If we were to write the Highway on each occasion of special blessing there would be room in its pages for little else. Nevertheless, we feel that the time has come when we should praise His name by this method.

During the past four years we were very conscious of His blessing and help as we ministered to the good people of our church at Presque Isle, Me. We will not soon forget the many acts of kindness shown us by them. We give praise to God for the privilege of ministering to them and for the fact that the Lord owned and blessed our ministry there with the salvation of souls and the sanctification of some believers.

As we praise His name for past blessings, we would also praise Him for present leadership. We believe that God by His Spirit has led us here to the town of Amherst. We feel a sense of assurance that we are in His will.

Words of commendation should be given to Mr. W.J. Price for his ministry here and for keeping the work together. His faithful and consecrated ministry has caused people to look to our church for spiritual life and light.

Each Sunday that we have been here there have been several hands raised requesting prayer for their salvation. For this we praise the Lord and ask you to pray with us for a Holy Ghost revival in Amherst.

We have given praise for the past and for the present, and also give Him praise for the prospects of the future. We are expecting Him to come in His power and Glory. To His name be the praise.

Yours in His work,
M.W.&P.A.Bagley

HAVELOCK, N. B.:

We have been blessed with two good meetings, one at Killams Mills and another at Salem.

Rev. R. T. Sellick was the evangelist at Killams Mills. The Lord came upon the scene and we saw some definite cases of the unsaved being born again, believers being sanctified and wanderers brought back to the fold. Brother Sellick was greatly appreciated. His messages were preached under the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

At Salem the Lord again heard and answered prayer and we saw a goodly number of seekers; again we saw His Spirit move in the conversion of sinners, the reclamation of backsliders, and the sanctification of the believers. Brother J. W. Turpel was faithful in his preaching. His messages in some were a blessing to all. Our hearts are encouraged as we take up the work for another year. The new testimonies in our prayer meetings are a real blessing.

The good folk of this field have stood by us with their prayers, and have cared for us in a material way.

Yours in Him,

Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Mullen

NOTICE TO MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

Lic. Reginald Kierstead, who is scheduled to sail for the South African mission field in October, is open for work during the month of September. Brother Kierstead is available for missionary meetings and conventions, supply or evangelistic work. His address is Short Beach, Yarmouth Co., N. S.

Also available for missionary meetings and conventions are: Rev. and Mrs. Karl Gorman, Sandford, N. S., and Miss Uta Chase, 62 Wellesley Ave., Saint John, N. B.

SOME FACTS ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THE REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

By Rev. Handley C. Mullen
(Continued from last Issue)

It seems that the ministers who believed in the doctrine continued to preach it, so the whole matter came to another crisis in 1888. Let us step into that Conference, and hear what was said at that time concerning the doctrine and the man who taught it.

A Resolution passed by the Free Christian Baptist Conference Oct. 15, 1888, from year book, 1888, pages 47-48:

1. Whereas, For several years there has existed amongst the ministers of this Elders' Conference, a difference of belief and teaching on the doctrine known amongst us as "Instantaneous Entire Sanctification" as a "second work" and

2. Whereas, This teaching has been declared by this Conference and by our General Conference as well, not to be now, nor never to have been the belief of this denomination, and

3. Whereas, The persistent schismatical teaching of these doctrines has wrought great harm to several of our churches, and has injured all our denominational work, and

4. Whereas, We have labored a number of years in the spirit of brotherly care to bring about unity of faith and feeling, until we have become satisfied that this is not possible, and

5. Whereas, We think it essential to our denominational prosperity that our ministers as leaders and teachers, should be in harmony on all such important doctrines, and

6. Whereas, We find that at the close of another year in the application of the usual denominational tests, a number of our brethren still dissenting from the beliefs of this Conference.

7. Therefore Resolved, That this Elders' Conference in heartfelt sorrow and in the spirit of brotherly kindness, and in the spirit of denominational loyalty in doing the only thing that now seems possible to us, and just to all our cherished interests, declare that this Elders' Conference is not in sympathy with and cannot longer fellowship as ministers of this Conference, brethren who teach or preach the doctrine of "Instantaneous Entire Sanctification."

8. And we hereby withdraw fellowship from Revs. George W. McDonald, William Kinghorn, Bamford Colpitts, G. Bennett Trafton, and George T. Hartley."

"J. T. PARSONS,

Recording Secy. Elders Con.,

Oct. 15, 1888."

This vote was taken at the Conference at Blissville, N. B., and was carried by a vote of 55 to 6.

The first resolution made it impossible for any person to hold any office in a church and the ministers found themselves out altogether, thus quite a group of ministers and laymen found themselves with no church home. Doctrinally they would be misfits with any other church in the provinces. What they did seems a very natural and reasonable thing for them to do. Another sect, yes, but the reader of church history with a bit of careful study as to why some denominations came into being will be much less intolerant toward the multiplicity of sects.

Next in order I shall follow the steps that led to the organization of the Reformed Baptist Denomination. For this I shall quote some directly from the early hand-book of the denomination, one of which I am happy to have in my possession. In this publication was also printed in abbreviation the minutes of the two first Alliances. To quote:-

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