

teachings of unity and solidarity, of hope and responsibility – to enter the arena. But this does not mean that we have to go along. Through our unity as Theosophists, we can stand up to existing powers. The orbit of the sacred is revolutionary – especially if we stand united.

Gandhi saw an intimate connection between freedom and solidarity. As long as there are castes and outcasts, he said, India did not deserve to be free. He achieved freedom for his country by uniting its people in solidarity. A manifestation of this idea today would be our responsibility to the next generation of potential Theosophists. If the 21st Century generation is reticent to come to meetings, wary of forms and traditions, it would seem that it would behoove us to get over our 19th and 20th Century feuds.

Regardless of affiliation, we should be a unified front of workers. We can all practice unity in spirit, if not in constitutional form. We can become friends with members of Theosophical organizations not our own. In our publications, meetings and conferences, we can announce upcoming events in other organizations as well as promote the annual Theosophical Conferences and online magazines such as *International Theosophy Magazine* and *Theosophy Forward*. When we recognize the contributions, vitality and integrity of other groups, we come to see that it is not just a nice-sounding thing to do, to have unity. By coming to know new fellow Theosophists, we gain the perspective to appreciate other tradition – and our own.

