



Independent Order of Odd Fellows  
Dedicated Members for Change

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Dear Dedicated Members for Change,

The 188th annual Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions just finished, and we congratulate Jimmy Humphrey, our new Sovereign Grand Master. Brother Humphrey is a dedicated Odd Fellow, an intelligent and visionary man, and a brother dedicated to moving our Order forward. In the next few days, I will be sending along to you SGM Humphrey's acceptance speech.

But in the meantime, I think you will enjoy the speech by Sister Jane Nelson, the CEO of Manchester Unity Odd Fellows Friendly Society, which was delivered during the 188th SGL sessions. Sister Nelson, interestingly, focused on two themes that I have often mentioned: (1) the need for change in our Order, and (2) the elimination of infighting, ego and power-seeking within our Order. Please click, below, to see and hear her presentation. Thank you to Brother Louie Sarmiento for filming her presentation and sending it along to us.

Finally, leaders in our fraternity are focusing on these important topics.

[Speech by Sister Jane Nelson, C.E.O. of Oddfellows Friendly Society](#)

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