

SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE MEETING

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Saturday March 20, 2010 9:30am to 12:30pm

The Spiritual State of the Meeting is a chance for each of us to reach deep and examine the heart of our Meeting. It provides an opportunity for us to take stock of where we are and to dream together about where we would like to be. We hope that each of you will join us as we formulate some direction and some visions for our spiritual home.

All members and attenders are encouraged to participate in our worship and small group sharing. To make this easier for you, both child care and lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jan Hutton, clerk of the Ministry and Worship Committee: 967-1959, <janhutton@earthlink.net>

QUERIES FOR SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

Please Select a First and Second Preference

- 1) How does my life reflect the joy of living in the Light?
- 2) How do I discern whether a project or interest is a true leading to act? How can I best make time for reflection and discernment in my life? What guidance might I seek from others?
- 3) How do we as a Meeting help members and attenders resolve conflict in loving and constructive ways? How do we extend this help to people and communities outside our meeting?
- 4) As a Friend, how might I better protect the environment? As a Meeting, how might we work toward a right sharing of the world's resources?
- 5) How do we help one another to acknowledge and incorporate the changes of aging in a loving and beneficial way? How do we maintain community with older people who are no longer attending meeting for worship or participating in committee work? How do we best support and nurture caregivers of all ages?
- 6) How might my words and actions better demonstrate Friends' principles and belief to people both inside and outside the meeting? What are we doing as a Meeting to communicate our presence and our principles to the community around us? Does our Meeting's ministry of outreach lead Friends to share their spiritual experiences with others?
- 7) How would I like our meeting to evolve in the next five years?