

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

November, 2014



Monthly Query:

Are we grateful for other people's experiences of the light? Can we give thanks and give freely from what we have gained?

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Monthly Worship Tip from the M&W Committee

Nonviolence is not a garment to be put on and off at will.
Its seat is in the heart, and it must be an inseparable part of our being. Mahatma Gandhi

Upcoming Forum Schedule

November 2 – “Interfaith Council Update” John Dorward will present. He has been with the Interfaith Council (IFC) for 11 years, first as a Finance and Operations Director and now as Executive Director. He has an in depth knowledge of IFC’s two homeless shelters, food pantry and ancillary services for the poor in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. John will update us on the current status of IFC, progress on the new men’s shelter, and IFC’s needs. Moderator: Catherine Alguire

November 9 – “Plans to Renovate the Meetinghouse Ground Floor” Building and Grounds Committee, Don Hopper, Clerk. Insulate several outside walls and some ceilings, update the HVAC, electrical, and lighting systems, update the kitchen, create a multi-purpose room and an archives storage area. Shall we switch the current resident bedroom and teen room? Moderator: Carolyn White

November 23 – “Spiritual Growth Experiences at the FGC Summer Gathering” CHFM Friends who attended the Friends General Conference Summer Gathering found spirit was enriched by the workshops they attended and wish to share their experiences. Presented by Amanda Godwin, Jennifer Leeman, Wendy Michener, and Tom Munk. Moderator: Robert Lee

November 30 – “Evolution and How It Is Going to Affect Us” Dirk Spruyt will present. Moderator: Matt Drake

Carol Woods Worship: Location Change

Beginning Sunday, November 2, the Carol Woods Meeting for Worship will meet in the small conference room (across from the Community Room) on the basement level of the main building. Please feel to join our CW Meeting on first days at 11:00.

Memorial Service for Brendan Wenberg

The memorial service for Ruth Hamilton's son, Brendan Wenberg, age 35, will be at Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, Saturday, Nov. 22, at 2 pm.

Quaker history comes alive! Spaces still available

If you are interested in experiencing early Quaker history, consider traveling to the Lake District in England next summer with Friends from Chapel Hill, Durham, and Carolina Friends School as a participant in the Quaker Pilgrimage. Wonderful accommodations, meals, transportation, and experienced Quaker tour guides ensure that this week in England will be transformative! Spaces are still available so don't miss your opportunity to come along. Matt and I were participants in the last Quaker Pilgrimage and we will be happy to talk to you about it. —Lynn Drake

IFC News: Save These Dates

Dine out and make a difference on Tuesday, November 11!

On RSVVP (Restaurants Sharing Ten Percent) Day, participating restaurants contribute 10% of their total receipts (from breakfast, lunch, dinner and in-between snacks) to benefit the IFC's Food Pantry and Community Kitchen. The 25th annual RSVVP Day in 2013 raised over \$20,000 for IFC hunger-relief programs!

Visit www.ifcweb.org/events/rsvvp for more information and a complete list of participating restaurants

Post Turkey Day Jam and Holiday Meals

Thanksgiving will soon be upon us! Each holiday season, the IFC provides holiday meals to hundreds of families. Please consider sharing a meal with someone who might not otherwise get one. A gift of only \$25 helps the IFC offer a family a holiday meal -- a turkey or ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, vegetables, bread and dessert. In recent years, fresh produce has been included in the bags thanks to a special collaboration with Farmer Foodshare.

Thanksgiving also means it's almost time for Jon Shain's Post Turkey Day Jam. This year the benefit concert will take place on Saturday, November 29 at The Cary Theater (122 E. Chatham Street). IFC will receive half of the proceeds that will help fund our holiday meals program. This will be the 14th year that Jon Shain has organized this important annual fundraising event for IFC.

IFC Holiday Giving

The **Indy Week Give!Guide** helps fund and promote local nonprofits by encouraging year-end giving. The aim is to instill the annual-giving habit in Triangle residents, especially those under the age of 36. Many local businesses have donated incentives. Those who give to IFC may be eligible to be double matched by Shared Visions Foundation and The Stewards Fund. *INDY Week* will host a Kick Off Party to celebrate the launch of Give! Guide on November 9 at Person Street Bar (805 N. Person St., Raleigh) from 3:30 to 8:30 pm. The event is free and open to the public (21+) with RSVP. To give through the Give! Guide, visit give.indyweek.com from November 9 to December 31.

The IFC **Steward's Fund's** trustees have offered the IFC another matching gift challenge. This all-or-nothing grant for \$97,500 for operations is essential to the success of IFC's annual fundraising. The matching program runs from October 1 through December 31. Increased gifts from active donors, new donor gifts, and gifts from lapsed donors (no gift during the previous 18 months) count toward the match.

Mental Health Concerns Presentation

"When something is wrong with my baby [even if the baby is now a young adult (16-50)], something is wrong with me." Differentiating "what is wrong" with your progeny from "what is wrong" with you, the parent, or you, the helper, is paramount. Linking the two situations—that of your young adult (16-50) progeny—and your situation as a parent or other close person, of a person in danger, is key. When the differentiation is clear the linkage between can begin. When your work on your situation begins to deepen. This work is also exactly relevant to a sibling helping a sibling and also to a child helping a parent with mental health challenges, and really it is relevant to any situation of deeply helping a loved one in danger."

Mental Health Concerns will have a presentation by Robert L. Lee on "macroshifting with a loved one", with a small potluck at the rise of meeting on Sunday, Nov 23. All are welcome.

Carolina Friends School Open Houses

Chapel Hill Friends are warmly invited to upcoming open houses at Carolina Friends School. While the primary purpose of the open houses is to engage prospective families, we are always happy to meet Friends interested in learning more about the School. Families are welcome!

Durham Early School Open House. Saturday, November 15, 10:00 am – noon.
Chapel Hill Early School Open House. Saturday, November 22, 10:00 am – noon.
Main Campus Open House. Sunday, December 7, 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

For information, contact Kathleen Davidson at kdavidson@cfsnc.org, or visit www.cfsnc.org/openhouse.

Teen Retreat at Hyco Lake November 7-9

We have a date for our fall teen retreat! Our retreat is open to ALL middle and high schoolers (grades 6 and up). This has become a cherished tradition among our group and is a wonderful way to build community among our kids. We will carpool to the cabin late Friday afternoon, returning Sunday morning by the end of late meeting.

For those whose children haven't been before, the cabin at Hyco Lake is a little over an hour's drive north of here, near the VA border. The cabin has two private bedrooms, 1 bath, a kitchen, living area with fireplace, and a huge loft. (The kids bring sleeping bags and spread out in the common areas, while the chaperones get the private rooms). There is also a nice deck and canoes at the cabin, with hiking available nearby. Weekend plans include great fun, food, fellowship, games, hiking/canoeing, and of course, s'mores! No electronic games are permitted. There is no cost to attend (expenses are covered by the football parking money).

This I Believe, Quaker Style

Coming on Nov. 13, Dec. 11

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting is a gathering of people who have diverse beliefs, practices, and experiences about what is spiritual, about "God," and about the "Light." However, most of us can only guess, or really don't know much, about the spiritual beliefs and practices of one another. We are creating an opportunity to begin conversations with each other in a safe and non-judgmental environment in the Meetinghouse. We will begin with worship, then a Query, which those attending can discuss in small groups and end with worship sharing, leaving space for any vocal ministry resulting from your time in groups. We hope you can join us for this ongoing journey, gathering the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Meetingroom, from 7:00-8:30 pm.

Contact Jan Hutton (919-967-1959), Pat Mann (919-489-1802) or Robin Harper (919-606-4574) if you have questions.

Opportunity for Youth

The Orange County Human Relations Commission is accepting essays and poster submissions from students throughout the County.

The poster contest is open to all students in grades K-5, based on the theme "Won't You Be My Neighbor?"©. The theme for the 2014 essay contest is gender equity and the contest is open to middle and high school students. Additional information is available online at <http://orangecountync.gov/housing/HRC.asp>

The Commission is also accepting nominations for the 2014 Pauli Murray Human Relations Awards in the youth category for middle and high school students. The deadline for nominations is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 21, 2014. The nomination form is available online at <http://orangecountync.gov/housing/pmurray.asp>

Each year, the Human Relations Commission extends opportunities for youth to participate in activities that promote civil rights and social justice.

The poster and essay contest winners will be recognized during the Pauli Murray Awards ceremony in February, 2015. Pauli Murray Award recipients will receive a special accolade for serving the Orange County community with distinction in the pursuit of equality, justice and human rights for all residents.

For more information, please contact the Human Relations Commission at 919.245.2487.

About Pauli Murray

Established in 1990, the Pauli Murray Award commemorates the remarkable life of the late Reverend Dr. Pauli Murray (1910-1985), a distinguished and trail blazing woman who confronted discrimination, racism and sexism in her own life.

Tending Your Relationship

Imagine taking time to be with your partner to

- deepen your understanding and appreciation for each other
- learn to use conflict creatively
- explore how Spirit is moving in your lives

Durham Friends Meeting is supporting a half-day event for couples on Dec. 6, 2014, from 8:30 am – 1:30 pm at the Durham Meetinghouse to explore these ways of enriching a relationship.

The event will be facilitated by Mike and Marsha Green, trained leaders in the Couple Enrichment Program offered by Friends General Conference.

Any couple in a committed relationship, regardless of legal status, is welcome to attend. During our time together, couples will worship and work together individually and in the larger group. It is our hope that some or all of the couples in this group may choose to meet with each other regularly in the coming months to continue tending their relationships and discovering how Spirit moves within and among them. Mike and Marsha will facilitate the first few of these ongoing meetings if requested.

The cost of the half-day event on Dec. 6 is \$20 (money that goes to the Friends General Conference Couple Enrichment Program to help nurture this ministry).

Please register by Nov. 30 by sending an email to marshaquaker@gmail.com with your names and email addresses, or call Mike and Marsha at 919-929-2339.

For more about FGC-Couple Enrichment, visit www.fgcquaker.org/services/participate-couple-enrichment-event

BYO Plate Reminder

We celebrate the often large attendance at potluck and we thank the meeting for continued help with potluck cleanup. However, large attendance does create a lot of dishes to wash. Therefore, we request that Friends bring their own plates, cutlery, and glasses to potluck and take them home to wash. We know of other groups that use this practice successfully and we propose it as another way to be environmentally friendly. We recognize not everyone will remember to do so. Those who do will be allowed to be first in line for potluck. Thank you.

Invitation from Mila Seckinger

I would like to extend an invitation to Friends to come to my farm as 'paying guests.' The idea is to have 10 or a maximum of 12 persons between the dates of December 20 and January 4, for a flat rate of \$400 dollars per person, young or old. It will buy you room and board for the days you can come. Arrive when you can, leave when you want.

You can go up to Bogotá and back if you like, or take other side trips. Transportation will be charged separately according to the trips you take. It will be about 4 dollars per outing per person. My driver will take you and wait to bring you back. The trip to/from Bogota will be fifteen dollars because it is about 2 1/2 hours (120 kilometers) with rest stops.

Side trips:

- Canopy: walk thru the trees with cables and other activities
- Visit to a small zoo
- Visit to Girardot hand painted ceramics
- Visit to the castle Rumihuaca
- Visit to Anapoima town cultural center - lunch at Serrucho's (famous character), which serves good, typical food.

If there are 4000 dollars in my son's U.S. bank account on December 1 it is a GO. If not, the deposits will be returned in full. Sandy's cell is 919 345 7954.

Airline tickets are about 760 to 800+ if purchased early. Otherwise, it will cost more and may not be available. Routes are RDU—Ft. Lauderdale—Bogotá; RDU—Miami—Bogotá; or my least favorite, RDU—Atlanta—Bogota, because that airport is SO big. Avianca, American Airlines, Delta, and Jet Blue are the most common choices.

The farm has a swimming pool, beautiful tropical flowers, and birds. Mangoes will be in season, and you can make compotes to take home. My administrator can show you how to plant bananas. etc. Friends who like to sleep earlier can stay at my house. Those who might want to play the organ, play music, and frolic can stay at Cristina's next door. Expect a Quaker Lake level of 'elegance,' more or less... it is a farm. I will be the chef and will have children's food options: mac and cheese, peanut butter sandwiches, hamburgers.

Calling for Book Reviews

Have you read an inspiring book from the Meeting library lately? Or have you read a book we don't have in the library that you feel would be worthwhile to have in the collection? The Library committee would like to invite members and attenders to consider writing brief book reviews for the newsletter. Share the insight or inspiration you received from your readings. Please send a copy of your review to the library committee as well at library@chapelhillfriends.org. We are always looking for suggestions for new books to add to our library. Thank you. The Library Committee

Reminder: Hillsborough Worship Group

The Hillsborough Worship Group meets on Sundays at 11am at the Hillsborough Yoga Downtown studio at 121 West Margaret Lane. There is parking next door at the library. This group is under the care of the Durham Meeting and has a minute of support from our meeting.

Directory News

Paper copies of the new meeting directory are available in the foyer of the Meetinghouse. If you prefer an electronic version (PDF), simply email directory@chapelhillfriends.org and you will received an automated reply with instructions on how to download the directory. (If you have any trouble, send a second email, and the Publications and Communications Committee will get back to you.)

We have a limited number of LARGE PRINT directories available. To request one, please contact Emily Buehler (919-475-5756, twobluestarz@yahoo.com).

Due to privacy concerns, directory updates will not be included in the newsletter. Directory updates are posted on the bulletin board in the Meetinghouse foyer. If you are unable to get to the Meetinghouse, contact Emily Buehler for a copy of current updates.

**Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**

October 19, 2014

Minutes

Tom Munk, Clerk; Robin Harper, Recording Clerk

Worship and query: *Are we open to new light, from whatever source it may come? Do we approach new ideas with discernment?*

One Friend took this as an invitation to offer a new idea. He feels that our Meeting lacks the energy that comes from singing, dancing, and laughing together. Afterward, another Friend couldn't resist singing a childhood hymn. A third Friend observed the smiles this brought to people's faces.

1. Welcome, recognition of first time attenders, review of agenda—Clerk

There were no first time attenders.

2. Approval of September minutes—Clerk

Approved.

3. Inter-Faith Council request to become a committee—Karen Merrey (ATTACHED)

Friends asked several questions of Karen and other members of IFC, including the expectations for Nominations in regard to IFC and what IFC's broader goals might be with respect to food justice. They answered that the committee would expect and hope to be populated like any other committee. Dottie Heninger reported on some of the food, shelter, and medical care statistics from the IFC, highlighting the fact that their scope is already much broader than food. She also reminded Friends that we are one of the founding members of IFC, and asked us to consider increasing our dedication to and involvement with the organization. She felt that creating an official IFC committee would remind us of our work at IFC's beginning, and reinforce our commitment to it.

The Clerk reminded us that creating this new committee would come with certain obligations, including writing an annual report and populating the committee by Nominations. Karen reported that 5 or 6 regulars now make up the group, who volunteer because they are interested. Dottie felt that some members who are not already volunteering for IFC should come from the Meeting at large. This would be an additional burden on Nominations. Karen stated that the committee is working well now with 5 or 6 committed volunteers.

Friends felt that these specific issues could be resolved later. They also agreed that, since the committee is monetarily functioning well now, creating a new line item in the budget for IFC could wait until next fiscal year.

Friends approved establishing the IFC group as a formal committee of the Meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report—Matt Drake (ATTACHED)

Matt shared with us the financial status of the Meeting as of the first quarter of the fiscal year.

Accepted with appreciation.

5. Families Affected by Mental Illness Potluck—Alice Carlton

This interest group has been meeting since July of 2012 and continues to be a vibrant community. However, there are families who would like to attend but who need childcare. The group could pay occasionally, but it would be nice to have some volunteers as well. They are requesting help with ongoing support for childcare during the lunch and program.

Friends asked if the committee is under the care of Care & Counsel, and if so, could the cost of the childcare fall under their budget? Ruth Hamilton did present this to C&C, but there has not been representation there lately.

It was recommended that this request be brought to C&C, for their discernment. We also requested that someone from the group bring an estimate of the cost of childcare to C&C at that time. If money cannot be found within C&C's budget, the issue can be brought back to MWAB.

Several Friends offered praise for the group's work.

6. Request for Marriage under the care of the Meeting—Clerk

Alice Carlton and David Curtin have requested a clearness committee for their marriage. Julia Cleaver will convene the committee for Care and Counsel. One more member from Ministry & Worship is needed to complete the committee.

7. Annual Report from Ministry and Worship—Lynn Drake (ATTACHED)

Friends suggested adding the “Love is the First Motion” workshop—a great success—to the report. One Friend asked what came of contacting the young adults and non-residents. M&W offered to help connect them with local meetings, but made sure they knew that they are still welcome here, their home Meeting. The committee informed the young adults' parents of this outreach. Asked if they still wanted to be included in our directory, most did. Lynn found it a great opportunity to say to folks who grew up in the Meeting that we love them and still consider them part of our family. One Friend expressed how much M&W's letter meant to her son.

The lengthy announcements are frustrating but are also a sign of our healthy, active meeting. Gratitude was expressed to the committee for being so active in making our Meeting what it needs to be.

Accepted with thanks.

8. Worship Sharing on our experience of Meeting for Worship—Clerk

The goal of this worship sharing opportunity was to hear the diversity of experiences that people have with meeting for worship. Participants were encouraged to share but no one to share twice. The recording clerk was asked to take particularly detailed minutes, without names. The hope was that this session would inform us about the breadth of experience of our meetings for worship.

- I have two different experiences of meeting for worship, which is an expectancy of relationship w/God. Sometimes I need a solitary experience (and therefore I attend early meeting); sometimes I have need of a group experience (and so I attend late meeting). Not all lessons are meant for everyone. Sometimes they speak to me; sometimes they speak to me *later*. Sometimes I am irritated, and that's my challenge. If we all had the same experience in meeting for worship, I would question the validity of that.

- When I first came to Meeting and was trying to figure it out, someone said, “Isn't it great that if someone speaks and it doesn't speak to you, you can just let it go?” I have never felt comfortable judging what someone else has to say. If one has a negative judgment of someone else's ministry, it's a good opportunity to explore why one has that reaction, and what one has to gain spiritually from that exploration.

- Since I first came to meeting many years ago, the silence was and still is transformative for me. I settle into the Light and experience the spirit. Vocal ministry is part of our experience together. It's not a question of the quality of the ministry, but rather the quantity—the more there is, the more I am challenged.

- I come to meeting for worship to have a connection to the spirit, and to have that connection in a community is wonderful. But often I come to meeting for worship exhausted and without having made the time for spiritual practice at home. So I come for healing and glimpses of the Light. Hearing how others have been touched by the spirit lifts me up. There are so many problems in the world; I struggle and feel that I am not doing enough. I am overwhelmed with family and worldly cares, and come here for renewal. Sometimes the messages come thick and fast. It's okay if messages do not touch me, but long appeals for

political action drag me down. I wish those appeals could come during forum rather than during the time I come for renewal, because they are exhausting.

- When I was in art school, we had a professor who didn't discourage us from breaking rules, but did force us to learn the rules first. He said you can't meaningfully break rules unless you know why you're doing it, and to do that you first had to understand and know the rules. As Quakers, we *do* have rules, as much as we may like to think we don't. I was elated about bringing food into meeting for worship, but not until I had been attending here for six years. I wish someone had told me that rule before six years had gone by! I think we could do a better job of actively teaching each other how to be Quakers.
- We came here from Langley Hill Meeting. We were taken off guard by the proximity of the entry to the meetingroom, but tried to adjust to that. We were part of the group that started early meeting, which was not to get away from the children as many people thought, but rather to experience a studied knowledge of what Quakerism is all about. Meeting for worship is still impacted by the architecture of this building. I hope one day we can confront this problem.
- I deeply value the silence, and sitting in silence with a community of people whom I respect and whose values and spiritual journeys I respect. I value all messages. They come from deep within the person expressing it. I am frequently surprised that messages sometimes take me somewhere I did not intend to go. I am most frustrated when people share messages in which they mumble or do not project their voices. This is more frustrating than the content of any message, because I feel cut out.
- Quakers have a perennial problem of failing to teach each other what we know. I would like to see Ministry & Worship take on as a regular event a forum on worship or the Quakerism 101 class or a repeat of the Parenting Workshop.

The Clerk thanked Friends for the rich sharing.

9. Report from Naming Committee

Neither Naveed Moeed nor Susan Inglis was available to present their report. They will bring recommendations for Nominations Committee to the November meeting for decision in December. Names were mentioned, but they were based on hurried communications during the meeting itself and did not, in fact, represent communication with the suggested new community members, and were therefore premature.

10. Announcements

- David Schneider will accept checks today on behalf of Naveed Moeed for the Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry pecan and Brunswick stew sale.
- The Clerk read the following from the listserv and asked Friends to consult it for more information:
 - Finance Committee requests contribution plans
 - Carolina Friends School open house, Nov. 15, 22 & Dec. 7
 - Interfaith Council annual meeting, Thursday, Oct. 23
 - Straight Talk in the Middle of Nowhere fundraiser, Friday, Oct. 24
 - Intergenerational Games potluck, Saturday, Oct. 25
 - Piedmont Friends Fellowship fall retreat, Saturday, Nov. 1
 - Newcomers' Gathering, Saturday, Nov. 8
 - Couple Enrichment workshop, Saturday, Dec. 6,
 - Dave Curtin's welcoming, Saturday, Nov. 1
- Jan Hutton requested that Friends please respond to evaluations for "Love is the First Motion" workshop—feedback is needed and greatly appreciated.
- Welcoming reception for Nick Mann and his fiancée in the multipurpose room Sunday, Dec. 28
- Meeting for Worship at Carol Woods is moving to the small conference room on the ground floor, and is open to all
- Curt Torell announced that Rachel Leeman-Munk's conscientious objector letter has been taken out into the world, combining the work of Quaker House and CHFM's CO letter writing practice

- Ruth Zalph announced a program on Liberation Studies, Oct. 23 and 26
- Please hold Amanda Godwin and the other planners of FGC's Annual Gathering in the Light as they meet this weekend to plan.

We closed with worship.

Attending: Dirk Spruyt, Perry Martin, Kitty Bergel, Ruth Zalph, Marilyn Dyer, Ann Drake, Max Drake, Ben Ray, Carolyn White, Karen Merrey, Alice Carlton, David Curtin, Ann Kessemeier, Paul Munk, Joyce Munk, Deborah Gibbs, Jennifer Leeman, David Schneider, Dottie Heninger, Pam Schwingl, Pat Mann, Lloyd Kramer, Julia Cleaver, Lynn Drake, Matt Drake, Tom Ludlow, Jan Hutton, Curt Torell

**MINUTE ON THE IFC COMMITTEE OF
THE CHAPEL HILL FRIENDS MEETING**

IFC Committee met on September 22, 2014 and discussed whether we should become an official committee of the CHFM. We reached unity on the question and decided that we want committee status for the following reasons:

- (1) Being embedded in the organization of the meeting would make our committee more accountable.
- (2) Being an official committee would increase IFC's visibility and help us become a more integral part of the meeting.
- (3) The committee would have its own budget, which would be used mainly, if not entirely, for the purchase of CROP Walk T-shirts and refreshments for our occasional hosting of the IFC Liaisons' meeting.

The goals of the committee would be the same as now, namely exchanging information among ourselves; raising awareness of IFC's work and its clients' needs; encouraging Friends to donate to and volunteer for IFC.

CHFM Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
1st Quarter 7/1/2014- 9/30/2014

INCOME	Estimated	Actual	%
Contributions	64,900	12,993.25	20%
Carry forward from 2014	1,500	1,500.00	100%
Building rental	1,500	736.34	49%
Parking space rental	5,100	1,700.00	33%
Miscellaneous (Interest income etc.)	-	1,062.06	0%
INCOME TOTAL	73,000	17,991.65	25%
EXPENSES			
	Budgeted	Actual	%
Obligations			
Bank Fees	50	-	0%
FDS Coordinator/Childcare	6,000	1,499.40	25%
Insurance	4,400	-	0%
Utilities	7,335	742.10	10%
UBIT, Storm water fee	1,100	467.75	43%
Obligations Total	18,885	2,709.25	14%
Committees			
Adult Religious Education	200	-	0%
Buildings and Grounds	10,000	4,934.99	49%
Care and Counsel	100	-	0%
Children/Youth Religious Education	2,500	240.00	10%
Finance	50	16.00	32%
Friends Transition and Support	1,200	17.31	1%
Hospitality	300	23.44	8%
Library	400	45.00	11%
Ministry and Worship	1,000	-	0%
Nominations	10	-	0%
Peace and Justice	300	-	0%
Publications and Communications	1,750	215.85	12%
Committees Total	17,810	5,492.59	31%
Annual and Continuing Funds			
Care and Counsel- continuing	500	-	0%
Contingency- annual	1,000	-	0%
Leadership Development- continuing	500	-	0%
Meeting for Suffering- annual	135	-	0%
National Quaker Service- annual	2,000	-	0%
Physical Plant/Meetinghouse Renovation- continuing	4,000	-	0%
Returning Citizens Financial Assistance- continuing	1,000	1,000.00	100%
Youth Service Learning- continuing	800	-	-
Annual and Continuing Total	9,935	1,000.00	10%
Benevolences (Last year's recipients)			
ARE- Guilford College Friends Center	125	-	0%
IFC Reps- Crop Walk tee shirts	200	-	0%
M&W- FGC, FJ, PFF, SoS, FLGBTQC	1,400	-	0%
P&J- IFC, CFS, QH, FCNL, AFSC, QEW, BQEF, & 7 others	24,645	-	-
Benevolences Total	26,370	-	0%
EXPENSES TOTAL	73,000	9,201.84	13%
NET INCOME		8,789.81	

ANNUAL REPORT, MINISTRY AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE

October, 2014

Since the last annual report of the Ministry and Worship Committee in September, 2013, we have enjoyed a busy year filled with expected activities and new initiatives. We continue to prepare monthly queries and worship tips, plan with the Clerks' retreat, take responsibility for the Christmas eve Meeting for Worship, the spiritual state of the Meeting gathering and report, and the Meeting for Worship with Attention to Graduation. We convened clearness committees for membership and welcomed Charlene Swansea and David Curtin as members of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. We prepared a minute of support from the Meeting for the Hillsborough worship group and support their gatherings as well as those of the worship group in the manner of Friends at Carol Woods and the Meetings for Worship held at the Orange Correctional Center. We completed making contact with young adults affiliated with our Meeting who have graduated from high school.

Among the new activities undertaken this year are the formation of a subcommittee on conflict transformation called Love is the First Motion, supporting the gathering of "This I Believe, Quaker Style" that are offered under the care of Ministry and Worship, and convening a discernment committee to consider membership in Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting that is currently being formed. We are pleased to have the participation of our teens in closing late Meeting for Worship on the first Sunday of those months with five Sundays. Ministry and Worship has supported the formation of the Archives Committee as a Meeting standing committee, provided a representative to that committee, and appreciate the work of Julia Cleaver, out-going Recorder, and Allie Scales, new-appointed Meeting Recorder for their efforts in getting our membership records up to date.

While we have a variety of activities, the responsibility that takes priority for the members of the Ministry and Worship Committee is supporting and nurturing the spiritual life of the Meeting. We have heard concerns about vocal ministry and its content, volume, and frequency. We are continually challenged by the length of announcements made after late Meeting. In reading old Ministry and Worship Committee minutes, it is clear that vocal ministry and announcements have been perennial concerns that have eluded permanent resolutions. This is no comfort to those challenged by these issues today so Ministry and Worship Committee members frequently spend meeting time discussing these concerns. We have attempted to nudge vocal ministry into more spirit-filled offerings by beginning our worship by reading the monthly query. We have urged everyone to put details of upcoming events on the Meetings listserv and in the Newsletter so that post-worship announcements can be brief. But vocal ministry and announcements continue to concern us. We will continue to wrestle with these issues and welcome your thoughts.

We celebrate the leadership and guidance of Dottie Heninger and Bonnie Raphael who served faithfully as co-clerks of Ministry and Worship until their terms concluded in July. We are grateful to Linda Graham for her careful recording of our minutes. We welcomed new members of the Ministry and Worship Committee: Jan Hutton and Leslie Rountree.

Submitted with gratitude for our vibrant Meeting,
Lynn Drake and Jan Hutton, co-clerks, Marilyn Dyer, Susan Inglis,
Lloyd Kramer, Naveed Moeed, Leslie Rountree, Pam Schwingl,
and Tom Munk, ex officio

Calendar

(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

Sun. 11/2 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)
9:45am Forum: Interfaith Council Update
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods (**New Location! See page 2**)
12:30pm Potluck & IFC donations
Tue. 11/4 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 11/7 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Fri. 11/7 - Sun. 11/9 Teen Retreat at Hyco Lake (see page 4)

Sun. 11/9 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)
9:45am Forum: Plans to Renovate the Meetinghouse Ground Floor
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods (**New Location! See page 2**)
Tue. 11/11 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
all day RSVVP Day (see page 3)
Thur. 11/13 7-8:30pm This I Believe, Quaker Style (see page 5)
Fri. 11/14 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sat. 11/15 10am-noon CFS Open House (see page 4)

Sun. 11/16 8am Meetinghouse open for worship
8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)
9:00am Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods (**New Location! See page 2**)
Tue. 11/18 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 11/21 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sat. 11/22 10am-noon CFS Open House (see page 4)
2pm Memorial for Brendan Wenberg (see page 2)

Sun. 11/23 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)
9:45am Forum: Spiritual Growth Experiences at FGC Summer Gathering
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods (**New Location! See page 2**)
noon Families/Friends Affected by Mental Illness - Schoolhouse (see p4)
Fri. 11/28 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
7pm Intergenerational Games - Schoolhouse

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Sun. 11/30	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	9:45am	Forum: Evolution and How It Is Going to Affect Us
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods (New Location! See page 2)
	12:30pm	Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse
	10pm	Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!
Tue. 12/2	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Thur. 12/4	9am-1pm	CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter
Fri. 12/5	4:30-5:30pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd

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Meetings for Worship at 8:30 and 11:00am
Forum at 9:45am; Child Care from 9:30am-12:15pm
First Day School from 11:15am-12:00pm
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