

## **Morningside Monthly Meeting Report to NYQM 1/13/15**

This report encompasses the period from November, 2014 – January, 2015

Morningside Monthly Meeting continues to meet for Worship at 11:00 AM each week at Riverside Church on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor. We also have a regular Meeting with Children.

Meetings for Worship with a Concern for Business are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Bible Study – led by Jerry Reisig – continues. We are reading from First Corinthians.

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ministry and Counsel holds a welcoming breakfast at 9:30 in the Riverside Café.

The Woodbourne Prison Worship Group remains under the care of the meeting. We are working at ways to better communicate with the men at this meeting and help them feel a part of the Morningside community.

### **Eleventh Month**

In November, Morningside members and attenders visited Flushing Meeting to begin an practice of inter-visitation between the two meetings. We enjoyed Flushing Meeting's hospitality and look forward to worshipping together again in the near future.

### **Twelfth Month**

On Human Rights Day, December 14, we wrote letters to political prisoners and prisoners of conscience.

On December 21, Morningside held our annual cookie swap which was followed by a discussion of the State of the Meeting. This was a bittersweet time as we recalled meeting highlights, areas that need improvement and the loss of a Friend.

### **First Month**

We had one new member –Richard Schmidt– join our meeting in January 2015.

Ministry and Counsel has been led to find ways to encourage greater participation and enhance the *worship* component of our meetings for Worship with a Concern for Business. In January we began a two-month experiment to have Business immediately follow Meeting for Worship.

On January 25, Jack Patterson is scheduled to lead an after meeting workshop using Fowler's idea of Stages of Faith to reflect on our own spiritual journeys.

Morningside has nine clearness /support committees and four spiritual nurture groups.

In Friendship,

Lee Rada  
Clerk, Morningside Meeting