

New York Quarterly Meeting, Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business
Held by Zoom/video-conferencing
sadly missing our meeting at the Quaker Cemetery, Prospect Park, Brooklyn

AGENDA
Jubilee meeting

11-12pm: Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Reflections on these times
1pm-3:00pm: Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business
2pm – Annual Meeting of the Corporation

Guidelines for the body to make our meeting go smoothly:

- Please read all reports on the website prior to the meeting.
Ways to read reports during the meeting:
 1. go to www.nycquakers.org and use the link on the front page
 2. use this link: https://www.nycquakers.org/for-nyqm-friends/quarterly_documents/?fwp_Business=july-meeting-2020 and select the report you wish to read.
 3. In your browser type in www.nycquakers.org and the NYQM website will come up. In the first column on the left, click on Quarterly Meeting Documents and towards the bottom of the left sidebar in “July Meeting 2020”, check the box taking you to all the documents.
- “***Guidelines***” (a cheat sheet) for using Zoom during the meeting can be found on a link on the front page of the website, www.nycquakers.org , or among the documents for the July 2020 meeting.

READING:

MESSAGE FROM THE MORNINGSIDE MONTHLY MEETING RACIAL JUSTICE STUDY GROUP:

In recent months, the United States has experienced racial strife and activism that has spread across the country and the globe untapped since the civil rights era of the 1950s and 1960s. While the unjust killing of Black people in America is nothing new, the recent killings of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor and George Floyd has clearly struck a deep chord moving us beyond Black America and now reaching all racial and ethnic communities. We welcome this as an opportunity to inspire anti-racist education and activism in particular among white Quakers as well as with Quakers of color and Quakers at large. The Racial Justice Study Group (RJSG) sponsored by Morningside Monthly Meeting has held monthly meetings supporting the education of participating attendants (Quakers and friends of Quakers) over the past two years. In future months we will be working toward establishing a NYQM racial justice network to continue this work with Friends in the New York City region. We see education focusing on the history of racism in America as a crucial foundational step upon which to further build and sustain justice-focused activism. As such, we encourage other monthly meetings within the NY Quarterly Meeting to develop racial justice study groups to encourage an anti-racist agenda within your communities and among your members. The facilitators of the Morningside

Monthly Meeting RJSG are available, individually or collectively, to provide suggestions and guidance toward this objective upon your request.

In Friendship,

The Morningside Monthly RJSG facilitators: David C. Fletcher, Karen Taborn, Helen Garay Toppins

Agenda review

consent agenda reports:

Africa Great Lakes Annual Report

Audit and Budget Committee Financial Statements Memo and Audited Financial Statements

Cemetery Committee Annual Report

CQL Report

Communications Annual Report

Downtown Allowed Meeting Annual Report

Flushing Monthly Meeting Report

Handbook Committee – updated Handbook approval

Manhattan Monthly Meeting Report

Nominating Proposed roster-consent slate

Staten Island Meeting Report (haven't received this yet...)

reports to be read with action items for approval:

Ministry and Counsel Annual Report

action items: extension of Jubilee until October 2020

Brooklyn Monthly Meeting Report

action item: Black Lives Matter minute

Fifteenth Street Monthly Meeting

action items: approval of Minute on 13th Amendment, endorsed by MMM and BFM

Morningside Monthly Meeting Report

action item: approval of Minute on Black Lives Matter and Racial Justice

Annual Meeting of the Corporation

2pm - Trustees of the Corporation Annual Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Friends may wish to participate in **Healing Prayer** by telephone on Wednesday afternoons from 5 to 6 pm (for more information: brooklynprayerhealing@gmail.com).

The Ribbon International will hold a **Ribbon 2020** event by Zoom on **August 1st 2020 at 10:00 am** (EDT) for the 75th Anniversary of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

For Zoom invitation and more information, contact us: info@theribboninternational.org

Hold your Ribbon in front of the Zoom screen, and pray for a nuclear free world. Ribbon Tokyo, Hiroshima Peace Ribbon, Ribbon Minnesota, Ribbon Washington DC, Frederick MD, and other Ribbon groups around the world are also planning to have the Ribbon events. Please join us with your friends/family or by yourself. Follow us on Instagram “theribbon2020” or look for us on Facebook, and upload the photos/videos on Facebook and on Instagram “theribbon2020”.

To Friends in the NYQM:

The facilitators for the **Racial Justice Study Group (RJSG)** sponsored by Morningside Monthly Meeting seek to connect with Friends within the NYQM to form a **Racial Justice Action Group**. The Action Group will build on the work of the RJSG in developing anti-racism actions identified by the group as collectively acknowledged. Please contact members of the Morningside RJSG if interested.

David C. Fletcher, Karen Taborn, Helen Garay Toppins

UPCOMING NYQM DATES:

2020 NYQM dates:

July 18th: Saturday, by Zoom
October 18th: Flushing Monthly Meeting, Flushing

2021 NYQM dates:

January 17th: Brooklyn Friends Meeting, Brooklyn
April 18th: Fifteenth Street Meeting, Manhattan
July 17th: Saturday, Quaker Cemetery, Prospect Park, Brooklyn
October 17th: Morningside Monthly Meeting, Manhattan

Formatting instructions when submitting reports for our website:

- Use only a **PDF format**
- All files should be named as the following: YYYYMMDD_MorningsideMonthlyMeeting or **20200718_CommunicationsCommitteeAnnualReport**.
- incorrect example: 2018-10-28 Title of Document)
- Do **not** put **NYQM** in the document name.

Thank you, this helps our office staff!