



## London Grove Monthly Meeting

~ Begun 1714 ~  
~ Established 1792 ~

**August Bulletin**

### **8th Month Queries** **Grounding for Transformed Lives:** **Integrity and Simplicity**

- What is the interplay between simplicity and integrity in the life of our meeting?
- How does our meeting embody simplicity and integrity in its structures and practices?
- How has our meeting considered humanity's impact on the earth's ecological integrity and the ways in which violence and injustice exacerbate this impact?
- *How do I strive to achieve harmony between my inner and outer commitments in my spiritual journey, my work, my family and my other responsibilities?*
- *Am I temperate in all things?*
- *Am I open to counsel regarding addictive behavior?*
- *Am I involved only with those organizations and activities whose purposes and methods complement my integrity?*
- *Am I careful to speak truth as I know it and am I open to truth spoken to me?*
- *Am I mindful that judicial oaths imply a double standard of truth?*

#### **Editor's Note:**

The Queries offered above comprise the eighth in a set of twelve from the newly-approved Faith and Practice. These Queries may differ from those seen in previous years.

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's Faith and Practice is the source of Queries used by our Monthly Meeting. During last summer's PYM Annual Sessions, a revised version of Faith and Practice was approved.

Queries have been regrouped under broad headings (Deepening Our Faith; Nurturing Our Community; Grounding for Transformed Lives; Witnessing in the World). In some (but not all) cases, Queries have been renumbered.

\*PYM has now removed the "outdated" queries. If curious, compare to LGFM's **previous bulletins** online. One may find the complete list of updated queries on **PYM's Website** .

## August 2018 Calendar

<b>8/2</b>	7:30 PM	Property Committee
<b>8/5</b>	8:15 AM	Religious Education Committee
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship
	10:30 AM	Meeting for Business
<b>8/9</b>	7:00 PM	Care and Membership Committee
<b>8/12</b>	8:30 AM	Peace and Social Justice Committee
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship
	10:30 AM	Friends socialize with refreshments by Worship and Ministry Committee
<b>8/16</b>	9:30 AM	Library Committee
<b>8/19</b>	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship under the Oak
	10:30 AM	Friends socialize with refreshments by Kindergarten Committee
<b>8/26</b>	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship
	10:30 AM	Friends socialize with refreshments by Property Committee
<b>9/2</b>	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship
	10:30 AM	Meeting for Business
<b>9/9</b>		SAVE THE DATE--Welcome Back to First Day School for Children and adults

## Childcare and Flowers Volunteers

<b>Date</b>	<b>Volunteer bringing Flowers</b>	<b>Childcare Volunteers FIRST HOUR</b>	<b>Childcare Volunteers SECOND HOUR</b>
8/5	Karen-Lee Brofee		
8/12	Jill Benjamin		
8/19	Baz Powell		
8/26	David Williamson		

## **7th Month Meeting for Worship for Business Summary**

Following responses to the Queries on Peace and Alternatives to Violence, about 20 Friends continued in worship with attention to the business of London Grove Monthly Meeting on 7/1/2018.

Treasurer Doug Myers presented the Income and Expense statement for the monthly meeting and its Property Committee. Doug noted that we are 50% through the fiscal year and have received 59.3% of budgeted contributions. Property Committee has disbursed \$7,300. Covenant payments made for the 2nd quarter were \$9,175 to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and \$2,250 to WQM. The closing balance on 6/30 totaled \$138,315.75. The report was accepted. The Clerk reminded Friends that West Grove Friends will host Western Quarterly Meeting on 7/15. We have been asked to host the next WQM on 10/21. The proposal has arisen that we use this opportunity to celebrate the bicentennial of our meetinghouse and our unique relationship with the quarter, which began in 1756. Friends approved this suggestion. A committee to plan the day is forming; willing volunteers are invited to speak with the Clerk.

Peace & Social Justice Committee gave the Annual Report of their very active year. Bob Frye reported on the priorities LGMM recommended to FCNL for emphasis during the 116th Congress and the minute we approved on gun violence. David Watkins reported on this year's Helen Corson Peace Awards and mentioned his research about Welsh emigrant ancestors' relationship with Indians and African Americans in Upper Sandusky, Ohio and Wyandotte County, Kansas. Co-clerks Barbara Walker and David Williamson described (and illustrated with photos) the recent "Juneteenth" celebration held in Kennett Square under sponsorship of the MLK Advocates, in which group they participate. The clerks also attended a meeting hosted by Wilmington Friends Meeting, to learn about "Repairers of the Breach," the renewal of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 1967 Poor People's Campaign, now led by Bishop William Barber. The co-clerks and Gail Newbold have been invited to speak in the fall at the Older Adult Lifelong Learning Institute about the notebook they have compiled to document the now-laid-down Kennett Peace Vigil. P&SJ is currently in touch with federal legislators about S.3036, the Keep Families Together Act, to limit the practice of children being separated from their parents at the border.

After announcements, monthly meeting concluded with more silent worship.

Summarized by Susanna Davison  
Clerk, London Grove Monthly Meeting

## **ARTICLE OF INTEREST:**

Please check out our three Franklinia Trees which will be blooming in August. The beautiful white blooms and seed pods were first discovered by Quaker botanist John Bartram and his son William in 1765 along the Altamaha River near Darien, Georgia. This rare tree was named in honor of their friend, Benjamin Franklin.

The small dogwood size trees are located east of the William Penn Oak, and are growing between two benches and Newark Road. They overlook the historic Yellow Blacksmith's Shop in the center of the Rt 926 road triangle. For assistance, ask the children, or Leona and John Provinski, or Eileen Hickman.

## **SAVE THE DATE:**

September 9, 2018--Welcome Back to First Day School for Children and Adults

## **VERSE OF A SHAKER SONG:**

Love is little, love is low,  
Love will make our spirits grow,  
Grow in peace, grow in light,  
Love will do the thing that's right

From Chris Manning

## **London Grove Monthly Meeting Contact Information**

Clerk of Meeting - Susanna Davison - [shrdavison@me.com](mailto:shrdavison@me.com) - 610.388.2894  
Assistant Clerk - Peter Weygandt - [maria@weygandtmetzler.com](mailto:maria@weygandtmetzler.com) - 610.486.0165  
Care & Membership - Denis Newbold - [denisnewbold@verizon.net](mailto:denisnewbold@verizon.net) - 610.869.3455  
Worship & Ministry - Heather Hayes - [heather763@hotmail.com](mailto:heather763@hotmail.com) - 610.869.5732  
London Grove Meeting House - [londongrovemeeting.org](http://londongrovemeeting.org) - 610.268.8466  
Burial Grounds - Charles Brosius - [cbromush@aol.com](mailto:cbromush@aol.com) - 610.869.9235  
Philadelphia Yearly Meeting - [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org)  
Western Quarterly Meeting - [westernquarterquakers.org](http://westernquarterquakers.org)  
Bulletin Editor - Jack Hinks - [hinksfam@yahoo.com](mailto:hinksfam@yahoo.com) - 610.715.1200  
Associate Editor - Jesse Davison - [jessedavison@me.com](mailto:jessedavison@me.com)  
Calendar Editor - Jane Brosius - [jb70@aol.com](mailto:jb70@aol.com)

*Bulletin deadline is the third Monday of each month.*