



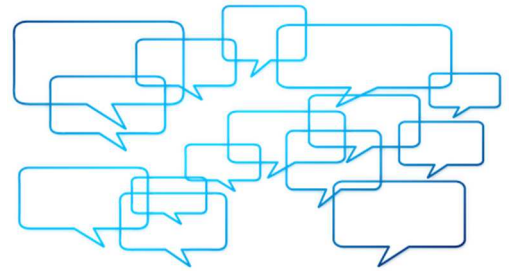
PYM Community Updates

Spiritual State of the Meeting Report Invitation

All meetings are invited to submit their Spiritual State of the Meeting Reports for 2023 no later than **April 15, 2024**.

[Submit your meeting's report with this online form.](#)

The PYM Ministry and Care Committee looks forward to learning about your meeting and having the opportunity to share that learning more widely. Reports will be carefully read to guide our work in the next year and inform the Spiritual State of the Meeting Report for Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. [Learn more about how the reports are composed and used in these advices.](#)



Listening One Another into Wholeness

A spring retreat hosted by the Spiritual Formation Collaborative

April 19-21, 2024



It's time to register for the Spiritual Formation Collaborative's spring retreat! Nurture your spirit with a weekend retreat designed to uplift your sense of hope and interconnectedness through listening deeply to self, others and to nature. We will have the opportunity for loving conversations and activities with fellow travelers on the Spiritual Journey. [More information and flyer to share!](#)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Please register by March 2!

If there is a member of your meeting who is in financial need, the John Martin Trust may be able to provide support.

The Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia (Arch Street) supports necessitous Friends through The John Martin Trust, left to us in 1713 for that purpose. Our Distribution Committee provides grants of up to \$8500 for a six-month period. The requests must come from your Meeting, usually from the clerk of your Care Committee. Only requests for necessitous Friends and active attenders are considered.

You may learn more information and acquire application forms by going to www.archstreetfriends.org/jmt. You may also contact the clerk of the committee (jmtrust@archstreetfriends.org).

For immediate help, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting provides emergency funds up to \$2000 through the John Martin Trust. Go here for more information: www.pym.org/grants/emergency-grants.

Please share this information with members of your meeting.

In the light,
Mignon Adams Clerk, John Martin Trust Distribution Committee Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia

Save the Date:

[Threshing Session on Meeting Structures & Needs](#)

Thursday, April 11 at 7:00 PM

PYM presiding clerk Melissa Rycroft invites all Friends to join her for a threshing session on the evening of Thursday, April 11. It is her intention to schedule time near each yearly meeting session for Friends to explore an issue of importance to our community. The topic of this threshing session will be exploring how our meeting structures meet Friends' and seekers' needs for their Quaker home.

Leaving generous space for continuing revelation, we'll consider the following queries:

- Do our meetings create space for people to come together in worship and encourage the growth of spirit among us? How do we encourage one another to do that?

- How do our traditional meeting structures support and encourage the life of your local faith community? How do they restrict or inhibit the life of your local faith community?
- Looking to the future, what structure and organization do you envision for your local faith community that nurtures your spiritual life?

[REGISTER HERE](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Sessions



[Spring Continuing Sessions: March 8-10, 2024](#)

Join PYM's first Sessions gathering of the new year as we embark on our 2024 Sessions theme: "*Called to Healing.*"

- Spring Continuing Sessions will begin online on Friday evening, with worship and panel of speakers.
- Saturday will include hybrid meeting for business in the morning and afternoon intergenerational programs at regional sites and in online community.
- Sunday morning is [All Together Worship](#) with the PYM-wide community!

[REGISTRATION](#) is now open and the [full schedule](#) is online.

February - March 2024 Events

more at pym.org/calendar

Pendle Hill's Reading Group (February)

Wednesday, February 21

Dreaming Sanctuary: An Intergenerational LGBTQ+ Gathering

Friday-Sunday, February 23 - February 25

Quakers Organizing in Defense of Democracy

Sunday, February 25

Arch Street Meeting House Reopens!

Thursday, February 29

All Manner Of Friends: Actionable Steps For Creating Inclusive Meetings

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

PYM Young Friends New Program Kick-off!

Sunday, March 24, 2024

News You Can Use

more at pym.org!

[Winter Family Overnight at Camp Onas](#)

[Black History: Observed in February, Celebrated All Year](#)

[Why I go to Friends General Conference \(FGC\) Gathering](#)

[Plastics -- What's the Big Deal?](#)

[Event Rewind - Swarthmore Friends Meeting Hosts Recent Forum on Estate Planning](#)

[Thread Gathering Rewind: burial Grounds, old meetinghouses, property issues, oh my!](#)

[Monthly and Quarterly Meeting Leadership Gatherings](#)

Employment

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

Childcare Provider, Kennett Monthly Meeting

Quaker Contractor, Emerging Leaders for Liberation

Posted on behalf of American Friends Service Committee

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