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MONTHLY MAILING - JULY 2017
UPCOMING COURSES
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A Sustainable Life : Quaker Faith and Practice in the Renewal of Creation

Monday 11 September 2017 - Sunday 26 November 2017

Sustainability cannot be 'one more thing' Friends are concerned and active about. A fresh look at Quaker faith and practice reveals that it's all about sustainability. This course reframes the Quaker tradition within the global horizon that defines our lives in the 21st century. We will discover a concern for balance with the earth among the earliest Friends, and way of life that can sustain us together in the work for a peaceful, just, and sustainable world.

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European Quaker voices

Monday 18 September 2017 - Friday 27 October 2017

This is a 6-week online retreat for European Quakers, using devotional and inspirational material by European Quakers. In addition to readings, there will be suggestions for activities and exercises appropriate to a retreat. Participants will share reflections and experiences with each other along the way. The retreat is thus an opportunity for both individual and group spiritual development, as well as an opportunity to learn from the rich experience of European Friends.

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Paradise Lost : an introduction

Monday 2 October 2017 - Friday 24 November 2017

Milton's great epic is one of the most enduring and remarkable works of English literature. Over eight weeks, we'll introduce you to both the poet and his work, exploring three core questions: Who was John Milton? What was his message? And how does the poem speak to us today? In the process, we'll examine key passages, look at other source material, and interpret the poem in its historical and cultural context.

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Exploring the Early Quaker Vision : an online webinar series

Thursday 12 October 2017 - Thursday 16 November 2017

In this series of six *purely online* webinars run from 7.00pm to 8.30pm every Thursday evening from 12th October to 16 November, we will explore the founding vision of the Quaker movement and consider how early Friends lived a contemplative, charismatic and prophetic faith that very nearly turned the world upside down. How did this vision shape Quaker understandings of spiritual transformation and the Bible and the commitment to peace and equality? How is this vision reflected in Quaker global diversity today?

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Being a Quaker Clerk : an online course

Monday 6 November 2017 - Sunday 17 November 2017

This online course, for new or prospective clerks with little or no experience of Quaker clerking, is based on the on-site course with the same name. The five modules cover the clerk's role before, during and after a Meeting for Worship for Business. We also consider why we use our particular business style in our meetings. We will focus on clerking local meetings, but clerks of other meetings, including area meetings, will also find they can learn much about their role.

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Eldership & Oversight : an online course

Monday 2 October 2017 - Friday 10 November 2017

This six-week online course will help all those serving in eldership and oversight to gain better understanding and confidence in their role – whatever the system in their meeting. The six modules cover the full range of topics included in the separate and combined eldership and oversight onsite courses, with options to focus on areas of particular relevance. You should allow 3-5 hours a week for pursuing this course. There is no requirement to be online at a particular time.

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