



Local and Area Meeting Clerks: please share this letter with everyone in your meeting

Yearly Meeting of
the Religious Society
of Friends in Britain

To all Friends,

Yearly Meeting 2018

You are warmly invited to attend Britain Yearly Meeting between **4th and 7th May 2018** at Friends House in London.

This is *your* Yearly Meeting. Friends of all ages, both members and attenders, are welcome to come. For those over 19, there is no charge, but we ask you to register in advance, so we can send you all the information you need beforehand and help you with any particular access or other requirements you might have. It will also help Friends House prepare for the right number of people and avoid waste. For those under 19 there are programmes suitable for different ages. Full information, including cost, can be found at www.quaker.org.uk/ym. The booking deadline for Junior Yearly Meeting (15 – 18 year olds) is 23 February and for the other programmes, 18 March.

At Yearly Meeting 2018 we will ask ourselves how *Quaker Faith & Practice* should look for the next generation. Please join in the discernment as we find the way forward for the book that inspires, guides and expresses our faith and our life as a community. You have a stake in this, as you do in all the work of Britain Yearly Meeting.

It is useful to remember, and to remind other Friends, that costs for travel and accommodation should not be a barrier. Low cost bed and breakfast accommodation is offered by London Friends and details are available on the Yearly Meeting website. Financial help is also available if you need it. Please speak to Friends in your local or area meeting or your worshipping community as these meetings may be able to help. If they can't, you can apply for a bursary for help towards travel and accommodation costs. To request an application form, please contact Gary Mitchell, garym@quaker.org.uk, telephone 020 7663 1006.

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If you are unable to attend in person, you can still participate. The Yearly Meeting website will be regularly updated and will contain all documents used at YM as well as draft minutes and some videos/ transcripts of parts of YM. Information will also be sent to the clerks of local and area meetings so that everyone can engage in the work of our Society.

Dear Friends, there will be further communications about Yearly Meeting in the coming months, but in the meantime, I urge you to consider joining us at Friends House in May, as we gather to re-acquaint ourselves with each other in the things that are eternal. Please register today at www.quaker.org.uk/ym.

In Friendship,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clare Scott Booth". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with large, connected letters.

Clare Scott Booth
Clerk of Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee