

SEPTEMBER 2019 UPCOMING COURSES

Eldership & Oversight - ONLINE

Monday 2 September - Sunday 13 October

£115 - Online

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 2-3 hours a week for pursuing this course. There is no requirement to be online at a particular time.

With Zélie Gross, Ros Baverstock and Martin Pennock

Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/eldership-and-oversight-online

Creativity and Ministry

Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 September

£165 - Residential

Our creativity meets the world in many different ways, but often we are too shy to use it fully. We will use the playful creation of simple physical objects to help us free our natural urge to create and consider how our ministry can be enriched. We will be using a variety of craft and natural materials, individually and as a group. As we will be spending time in the garden, participants will need a moderate degree of mobility.

With Floe Shakespeare and Joanna Godfrey-Wood.

Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/creativity-and-ministry

Envisioning a world that is open to all: let us see what love can do

Friday 27 - Sunday 29 September

£165 - Residential

A weekend conference learning about asylum and migration, hearing from those who have felt its impact, and working together to create the change that we need.

We will look at how language helps shape attitudes to migration and explore the interplay between race, privilege and migration. We will hear from those who have experienced our asylum system, and together we will explore how a world open to all might look and how we might get there.

Jointly organised by Quaker Asylum Refugee Network, Quaker Peace and Social Witness, Quaker United Nations Office, Quaker Council for European Affairs and Woodbrooke

Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/envisioning

To book a place on a course just use the link with the course description to book online. Alternatively you can email enquiries@woodbrooke.org.uk or call 0121 472 5171.

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Quaker Botanists

Tuesday 1 - Thursday 3 October

£285- Residential

Would you like to find out more about three key botanists from the Quaker tapestry? Are you interested in gardens, plants and their history? By looking at the life and times of Peter Collinson, John Bartram and John Fothergill we will explore their plant introductions and gardens in the 18th century. We'll assess their legacy in gardens, parks and medicine today. You'll go away with a greater appreciation of the importance of these botanists in history and how they continue to inspire us today.

With Letta Jones. Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/the-space-between-us

Quakers & Decision Making: exploring the issues

Saturday 19 October

£50- Day Event

A one-day seminar on recent research about Quaker decision-making. You can choose to offer a short presentation (email rhiannon.grant@woodbrooke.org.uk if interested). We will hear from academic researchers and from reflective practitioners of Quaker decision-making. Topics may include Quaker business method and non-Quaker organisations, theories of leadership, theology, the role of silence. We will also consider how this material might feed into the revision of the book of discipline. This is not a "how to" – we assume familiarity with Quaker decision-making.

With Rachel Muers & Nicolas Burton

Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/quakers-and-decision-making

Stepping out of Bounds: The early Christian Breakthrough

Monday 28 - Thursday 31 October

£315 - Residential

At the heart of early Christianity is a breakthrough, an experience of expansion into new possibilities. In the New Testament this experience is described as a manifestation of the Spirit, God's creative power, operating in a new and unexpected way. People felt inspired, able to step out beyond the boundaries that had previously determined how they lived. This course explores both this breakthrough but also the conflict that had limited it even before the writing of the New Testament documents.

With Timothy Ashworth Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/stepping-out-of-bounds

Handling Conflict in our meetings

Friday 15 - Sunday 17 November

£245 - Online

While handling difficult situations is challenging and can be deeply painful, it can also be the means for growth and development. We will explore a variety of ways for managing conflicts and difficulties that arise in meetings, including processes for restoring harmony. We will practise skills to help address conflict, and the feelings these situations can provoke. We will explore what we might like to change in our meetings.

With Roger Cullen and Julie Hanna

Book via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/handling-conflict

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