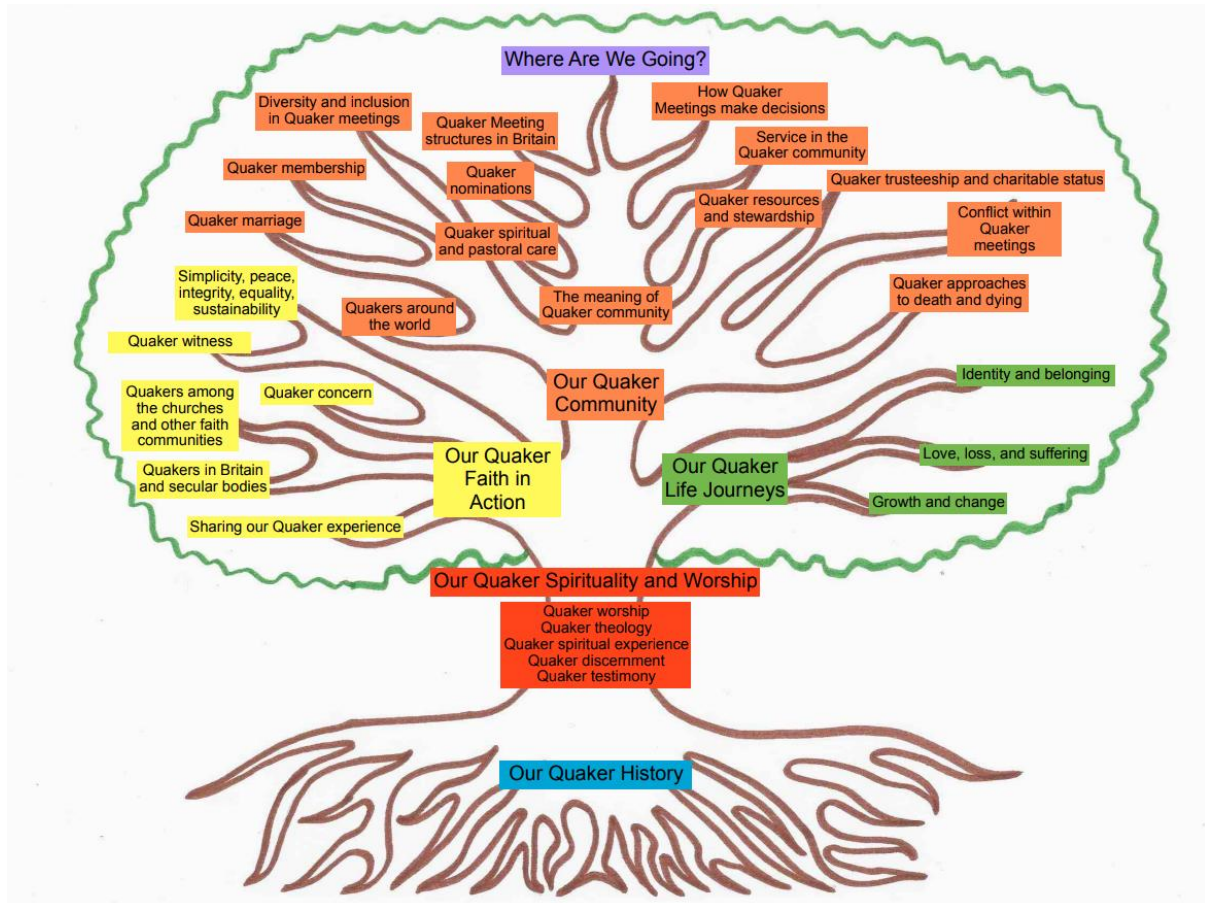




Yearly Meeting of the
Religious Society of Friends
(Quakers) in Britain



Our Quaker Way

the spiritual discipline of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain

This is the working title for the Book of Discipline to replace *Quaker faith & practice*.

The committee has structured the content of the draft book as a tree, as shown above. It has spiritual roots nourishing a strong trunk of faith and experience from which grow branches of living communities that can worship, witness and work together.

We want our new book to be as accessible as possible, so we are also describing the tree in words. The detail of the structure may change as we complete the editing of the book.

A diagram of a tree, with brown roots, trunk, and branches, and a green line suggestive of leaves. The roots are labelled Our Quaker History.

The trunk has the main heading *Our Quaker Spirituality and Worship*, with five subheadings:

1. Quaker worship
2. Quaker theology
3. Quaker spiritual experience
4. Quaker discernment
5. Quaker testimony.

The branches are grouped into three sections, each with an assigned colour. On the left yellow labels give the main heading *Our Quaker Faith in Action*, with six subheadings

1. Simplicity, peace, integrity, equality, sustainability
2. Quaker witness
3. Quaker concern
4. Quakers among the churches and other faith communities
5. Quakers in Britain and secular bodies
6. Sharing our Quaker experience.

In the centre orange labels give the main heading *Our Quaker Community* and fourteen subheadings:

1. Diversity and inclusion in Quaker meetings
2. Quaker membership
3. Quaker marriage
4. Quaker Meeting structures in Britain
5. Quaker nominations
6. Quaker spiritual and pastoral care
7. Quakers around the world
8. The meaning of Quaker community
9. How Quaker meetings make decisions
10. Service in the Quaker community
11. Quaker resources and stewardship
12. Quaker trusteeship and charitable status
13. Conflict within Quaker meetings
14. Quaker approaches to death and dying.

On the right, green labels give the main heading *Our Quaker Life Journeys*, and three subheadings:

1. Identity and belonging
2. Love, loss, and suffering
3. Growth and change.

At the very top of the tree, a final purple label says: *Where are we going?*

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