

YMG Unplugged



Help us get this invitation to Friends who are not online!

Quaker Life invite you to join half an hour of silent worship offline. This is an opportunity for Friends who are not online, or who don't worship online, to take part in the YMG programme. Friends taking part in online YMG activities are welcome to join us too.

Each year, Yearly Meeting rests on the prayerful upholding of Friends, many of whom would not be present. This year, although none of us are present in person, we can gather in a spirit of Meeting for Worship, in the places we feel comfortable,

We will know that others are holding YMG in the light with us and we'll know that after half an hour we'll all finish and move into the rest of our respective days. We could be sitting, standing or walking, we may be at home, on transport, or in nature... We'll run three sessions during YMG, at the start, the middle and the end, with the reading below. Do join us.

- Session 1: 8.30am–9.00am, Saturday 31 July
- Session 2: 8.30am–9.00am, Wednesday 4 August
- Session 3: 8.30am–9.00am, Sunday 8 August

Our shared reading, which you can use for these sessions if you want:

British Friends will gather for the 2021 Yearly Meeting this summer, and part of the proceedings will be to seek a sense of unity on the complicated and potentially divisive issues of assisted dying, sexuality and racism. Many of us lack close encounters with people affected by these issues, so what kind of mindset will undergird our spiritual approach as we move beyond where we are comfortable, into unfamiliar territory? These issues are multi-layered and are underpinned by several perspectives, contradictions, paradoxes and experiences. They will require tough love. As Quakers, we are advised to follow the leading of the Light by waiting to be 'prompted'. We should not feel compelled to speak out of our own unmet needs. The right outcome of these issues may demand a painful, radical change of consciousness. We do not sacrifice truth telling in the name of politeness.

from *the Friend*, 21 May 2021, Nim Njuguna

If you'd like to send reflections or ministry to supportmeetings@quaker.org.uk, we'll send a selection to Friends who've sent us an email address by email or on the slip below.



Let us know you are joining us! Either email supportmeetings@quaker.org.uk or tear off this slip and send it to: Carrie Comfort, 3rd Floor, Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ

Name:

Your local meeting / Quaker community?

If you share your email address, we'll let you know how many of us are in each session:

I hope to come to (please tick all that apply): Session 1 Session 2 Session 3