

July 23-26
2020

128th Annual Session of WILMINGTON YEARLY MEETING



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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

YOUR MEETING: _____

Which events do you plan to attend VIRTUALLY via ZOOM (check all that apply):

ORIENTATION

_____ WED

_____ THURS

_____ PRE-YEARLY MEETING RETREAT

BIBLE STUDY

_____ FRIDAY

_____ SATURDAY

WORSHIP SHARING

_____ FRIDAY

_____ SATURDAY

BUSINESS MEETING

_____ FRIDAY AM

_____ FRIDAY PM

_____ SATURDAY AM

_____ SATURDAY PM

_____ SUNDAY AM

_____ MINISTRY & COUNSEL

_____ USFW LECTURE

_____ MEMORIAL MEETING FOR WORSHIP

_____ PEACE LECTURE

_____ RECORDING OF MINISTERS &
SUNDAY WORSHIP

There is no fee for registration, banquets, meals or housing for this year's event. Contributions are, however, quite welcome. A great deal of time and prayer has gone in to making a virtual Yearly Meeting possible, so please consider donating as you are led. **Mail checks & completed registration forms to: Wilmington Yearly Meeting, 1870 Quaker Way, Box 1194, Wilmington, Ohio 45177.**



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

*While technically you do not need to register, Yearly Meeting registration information will be used to plan our support staff, worship sharing groups, advance materials, etc., and will get you on an email list to receive session access information when it becomes available.

*If you need assistance in learning ZOOM before Yearly Meeting sessions, contact Katie in the Yearly Meeting office: office@wymfriends.org; call: (937)382-2491; call/text: (765)977-5182.

*If you prefer to register online, you can do so at: WilmingtonYearlyMeeting.org [COMING SOON!].

*If you are interested in joining a small group of Friends at Wilmington Friends Meeting to participate in any or all sessions together, contact Doug Woodmansee: dbwoodmansee@gmail.com. NOTE: This is the ONLY opportunity for in-person gathering during this year's sessions.

***EXPRESSING APPROVAL OR CONCERN DURING A BUSINESS MEETING:** In a typical, in-person, business meeting, the clerk will ask Friends whether they approve of an item. People will respond by verbally, saying "Approve". This does not work over Zoom. For our purposes, we invite you to **bring something red and something green to our online business sessions**. When the clerk asks for approval, in order to express your approval of an item, we invite you to hold up something green in front of you. Anything green will do. To express reservations about the item under consideration, hold up something red, or use the "raise your hand" feature of Zoom. (If you don't know how to use the "Raise Your Hand" feature on Zoom, this will be covered during the Orientation sessions on Wednesday and Thursday evening.) For those joining without a camera, there is no positive way to express approval, so if you do not "raise your hand", the clerk will understand that you approve.

*The Youth & Young Adult Committee is selling white t-shirts with black lettering that read: "Jesus Is Essential." If you would like to order a t-shirt, for a minimum donation of \$10, contact Katie at the Yearly Meeting office with your shirt size, method of payment, and to schedule a time for pickup.



***Technical difficulties during Yearly Meeting sessions?** Contact Kristin Lally in the Cincinnati Friends Meeting office, via email: office@cincinnati-friends.org or text: (513)-432-2830. The "chat" function will also be available on ZOOM to chat with hosts.



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WYM 2020 – ONLINE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

***All Events Will Be Held Via ZOOM**

THURSDAY, JULY 23

6:00pm – Orientation to ZOOM

6:30pm – Pre-Yearly Meeting Retreat

*"Formal & Informal Clearness
Committees", with Paul Buckley*

FRIDAY, JULY 24

9:00am – Morning ZOOM Fellowship

9:30am – Bible Study *with Ray Geers*

10:00am – Worship Sharing

10:30am – Break

10:45am – Business Meeting

12:00pm – Break

2:00pm – Ministry & Counsel Meeting

*Share How You Are Taking Action
Against Racial Injustice*

3:00pm – Business Meeting

*Consideration Of A Statement On
Racial Justice*

4:00pm – Break

6:00pm – Evening ZOOM Fellowship

6:30pm – USFW Lecture

*"A Migrant with Hope", with
Elizabeth Newby*

SATURDAY, JULY 25

9:00am – Morning ZOOM Fellowship

9:30am – Bible Study *with Miriam Speaight*

10:00am – Worship Sharing

10:30am – Break

10:45am – Business Meeting

12:00pm – Break

2:00pm – Memorial Meeting for Worship

3:00pm – Business Meeting

4:00pm – Break

6:00pm – Evening ZOOM Fellowship

6:30pm – Peace Lecture

*"The AFSC and the Holocaust", with
Paul Moke*

SUNDAY, JULY 26

9:30am – Morning ZOOM Fellowship

10:00am – Final Business Meeting

11:00am – Recording of Ministers &
Meeting for Worship

*With a Prepared Message from
Pastor Hannah Lutz*



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ABOUT OUR PLENARIES & PRESENTERS

PRE-YEARLY MEETING RETREAT:

"Suggestions and Guidelines for Setting Up and Conducting Formal and Informal Clearness Committees", with Paul Buckley

Clearness Committees have been used by Quakers almost since George Fox climbed Pendle Hill. Originally, this was a body of Friends who met with a couple that intended to be wed in a Meeting for Worship to determine if the couple was clear of other promises or obligations. In many yearly meetings, this practice has evolved into a loving and supportive exploration of the couple's readiness to take on the responsibilities of marriage. Later in our history, Clearness Committees have been formed to similarly explore an individual's readiness to take on the responsibilities of membership in a monthly meeting. More recently, Clearness Committees have been used to help an individual become clear on a variety of questions: to test a concern, to test a perceived call to service or ministry, or to seek guidance in times of change or difficulty. This short, online retreat will present some suggestions and guidelines for setting up and conducting formal and informal Clearness Committees.

Paul Buckley is a member of Community Friends Meeting in Cincinnati. He is the author of numerous articles and books on Quaker history, faith and practice, and has presented numerous workshops, short courses, and retreats to meetings from across the spectrum of Friends. When possible, he travels in the ministry urging spiritual renewal among Friends. His most recent book is *Primitive Quakerism Revived: Living as Friends in the Twenty-First Century*.

USFW LECTURE:

"A Migrant with Hope", with Elizabeth Salinas Newby

We are living in a time of increased racial divide in this country. I am a brown woman, a woman of Mexican American heritage, and one who knows and has experienced prejudice and racial discrimination. My life as a young girl was far from representative of American experience, for I belonged to a minority of a minority. For thirteen years I lived in the back of a 1942 Army surplus truck, which served as a home while my family followed the annual harvest of cotton, sugar beets, cantaloupe, etc., back and forth across America. Recently there have been so many de-humanizing things said about my culture and our assimilation into the American culture that I feel it is important to speak about my personal experience in the hope of helping others understand my people.



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Elizabeth Salinas Newby was born in Texas and reared in Kansas. She graduated from high school as one of the first migrants to reach that level of academic achievement in Kansas, and began her college career in Wichita, Kansas, at Wichita State University. She met her husband, Jim Newby, and was married in Wichita in 1969. Elizabeth has worked in the areas of mental health, education, social work and counseling. While living in Des Moines, Iowa, Elizabeth was appointed Executive Director for Latino Affairs for the State of Iowa. When she and her husband moved to Minnesota, she worked in the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration, doing case management and counseling with immigrants. Elizabeth came to Cincinnati in the spring of 2016 when her husband became the Minister at Cincinnati Friends Meeting (Indian Hill), Ohio. Currently Elizabeth is a Parent Educator and Counselor primarily for Hispanic families. Elizabeth is the author of one book, *A Migrant With Hope: A Memoir of Peril and Promise*.

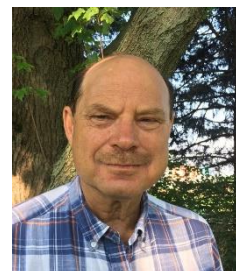


PEACE LECTURE:

"The AFSC and the Holocaust: Pathways of Conscience in Vichy, France, 1938-1942", with Dr. Paul Moke

This lecture examines the legacy of the American Friends Service Committee in Vichy, France, during the early stages of World War II. It focuses on the stories of AFSC leaders and fieldworkers who took different stances in their interactions with Marshal Petain's pro-Nazi government. Those in leadership positions collaborated with fascist officials on a non-partisan basis in order to move food supplies across battle lines for child feeding operations. Fieldworkers, largely female, secretly worked with the underground to smuggle Jewish refugees out of concentration camps in defiance of traditional Quaker norms. The moral choices that the key figures in this story faced raise important questions about the boundaries of Quaker neutrality during the Holocaust as well as the theme of anti-Semitism in certain elements of the Friends community. An updated and expanded version of the Quaker Lecture at Wilmington College last February, the current presentation explores more fully the work of female agents working undercover in France during the war as well as the connections between AFSC workers and other religious groups that resisted the Nazis in France, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary. The analysis sheds light on the strengths and weaknesses of the AFSC's relief work during the war, the contributions of its employees to a mega-narrative of the Holocaust, and possible lessons for Friends as they seek to improve the rights of racial, ethnic, and religious minorities today.

Dr. Paul Moke is Professor of Political Science and Criminal Justice at Wilmington College. He is the author of *Earl Warren and the Struggle for Justice* and numerous articles on the history of the American Friends Service Committee. A graduate of Wilmington College, he earned a J.D. from the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Cincinnati.





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ZOOM Information & FAQs

Compiled by Kristin Lally of Cincinnati Friends Meeting

Types of devices to connect to a ZOOM meeting

1. **Preferred – Computer with video capability.** This will allow you to see the maximum number of meeting participants on your screen. Others will be able to see you which, will help us feel connected to each other. You can position yourself in a comfortable setting.
2. **Computer without a camera** - You will not be able to transmit video of yourself. You will be able to listen and speak during the meeting and view the webcam video of other participants. You can position yourself in a comfortable setting.
3. **Tablet or Smart phone** – Most all these devices have cameras. You will be able to see others on your screen and they will be able to see you. The larger the screen the more people you can view at once. As holding the device becomes cumbersome, you can set up or prop it up in a comfortable location.
4. **Landline** – Using a landline will enable you to hear and speak during the meeting. You will not be able to see others or be seen. You will be able to mute and raise your hand. Using a speaker phone function may be helpful. If your phone is cordless, the battery life may be an issue. These are long distance calls and are not toll free unless you have free long distance with your phone carrier.

Do you need an account to use ZOOM?

A Zoom account is not required if you are strictly joining Zoom Meetings as a participant. If someone invites you to their meeting, you can join as a participant without creating an account.

**The Zoom link, meeting ID and password will be the same during the duration of the weekend.

What is a waiting room?

For added security, when you join a meeting you will be placed in a waiting room until the host admits you. Sometimes this takes a minute or two.



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Raising Hands - procedure

When you would like to speak, use the "raise hand" button. You will then be put in a queue and the clerk of the meeting will call on you. If you have raised your hand and then decide not to share, you can click on the icon again and lower your hand. During coffee fellowship and small group worship sharing, we will converse without hands raised. Where to find the "raise hand" button on your device is called out below.

Using the mute button

You can mute and unmute yourself. The zoom host also has the ability to mute all meeting participants. They might use this "mute all" option during the evening speakers, during the Memorial Meeting for Worship, or if the "raise hand" procedure is not being used consistently and people are talking at the same time. Hosts & co-hosts might mute specific individuals if your device produces feedback noise, or there is background noise.

****When you would like to speak, raise your hand, then unmute yourself when called on.**

Breakout Rooms

During worship sharing on Friday and Saturday from 10:00am to 10:30am, the Zoom host will place you in a breakout room. You will see or hear a prompt asking if you would like to join. The process of splitting up the rooms will take a few minutes. There will be a worship sharing leader who will also have Zoom co-host abilities. At 10:30 the Zoom host will end the breakout rooms. You will automatically return to the main meeting.

Specific Instructions per device

Computer with or without a camera, using Internet

When using a computer, Zoom runs best using Google Chrome or Firefox browsers.

How do I join a Zoom meeting with a computer?

You can join a meeting by clicking the meeting link from an email or going to join.zoom.us and entering in the meeting ID and password. Click "join with computer audio". Before you "join the meeting" you will have an opportunity to test your video and audio. Your sound and video may be off when you join. Unmute yourself and start your video. If you have not used Zoom



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before, there will be software that will need to be downloaded. This will happen automatically, though there may be a prompt asking you to give permission.

What if my video is not working? Try these fixes in order.

- 1) Make sure that all other programs that utilize the camera are not using the camera or are closed. (This is the most common issue)
- 2) Restart your computer. (It is a good practice to do this proactively in plenty of time before the start of the meeting.)
- 3) Uninstall the Zoom client and reinstall the latest version at zoom.us/download.

During the Meeting

- 1) Video Use - Feel free to turn off your video (and mute) if you need to leave your device or need to be off camera for a bit. (bathroom run, jumping jacks for circulation, coffee fill-up)
- 2) Raise Hand - To find the "raise hand" button, click on "participants". At the bottom of this box you will see the blue "raise hand" button.
- 3) To mute or unmute - Use the three dots in the right top section of your video box or under "participants" next to your name.
- 4) Breakout rooms - Click "join" when the pop-up window asks you if you would like to join a breakout room.
- 5) View options during a meeting There are two viewing options, "speaker view" or "gallery view". We **recommend** gallery view (think Brady Bunch). That will give each person a small square. To toggle back and forth between the views look in the upper right-hand corner of your screen for the button.
- 6) Spotlight Video - There will be times when the host uses the "Spotlight Video" option. This fixes the speaker in a large square until the host removes the spotlight. We will use this during the evening speakers, the Memorial Meeting for Worship, and Sunday morning worship. What is important to note is when the spotlight is removed, you will need to click "gallery view" to return to that recommended viewing setting.

Tablet or Smart phone

How do I join a Zoom meeting using a tablet or smart phone?

Prior to the day of the meeting, download the Zoom application (app) for your device. You can find it in the App store using an IOS phone or Google Play using an android phone. Follow the



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prompts. On the day of the meeting you open the app, click join, enter the meeting ID and password.

On the day of the meeting, open the Zoom App and click "Join". Enter the meeting ID and password from the email invite.

During the Meeting – the main in-meeting control buttons are at the bottom of the screen. You have to touch it for them to appear. (at least on the IOS Zoom App)

- 1) Video Use - Feel free to turn off your video (and mute) if you need to leave your device or need to be off camera for a bit. (bathroom run, jumping jacks for circulation, coffee fill-up)
- 2) Raise Hand - To find the "raise hand" button, click on "participants". Click on the blue "raise hand" button.
- 3) To mute or unmute – Use the button at the bottom or swipe right.
- 4) Breakout rooms - Click "join" when the pop-up window asks you if you would like to join a breakout room.
- 5) View options during a meeting - There are two viewing options, "speaker view" or "gallery view". We **recommend** gallery view (think Brady Bunch). That will give each person a small square. Swipe left once for speaker view; swipe left a second time for gallery view.
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Landline or Digital Phone

How do I join a Zoom meeting?

See the meeting invitation and call the phone number listed. Follow the prompts to enter the meeting ID and password. You will be able to hear and speak.

During the Meeting

- 1) Raising Hands – Enter *9 to raise your hand. Enter *9 again to lower your hand.
- 2) Mute - *6 mutes your speaker. Enter *6 again to unmute.