

# Atlanta Friends Meeting Newsletter

Atlanta Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Quakers. All are welcome.



Meeting for Worship  
Each First Day (Sunday)  
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
701 W. Howard Ave.  
Decatur, GA 30030

## October 2009

**Query:** Do we respect the wide diversity among us in our lives and relationships? Do we refrain from making prejudiced judgments about the life journeys of others? Do we foster the spirit of mutual understanding and forgiveness which our discipleship asks of us? Do we remember that each one of us is unique, precious, a child of God?

## Thoughts on “Holding in the Light” in Meeting for Worship

Near the end of our Meeting for Worship each week we allow time for “holding in the Light”. We are welcomed to express concern and support for another person or situation or request support for ourselves. Anyone can then speak into the silence. This is a tender time of sharing with our Quaker community, and can be a powerful spiritual tool for healing and connection.

To quote Rik Panganiban of Brooklyn Friends Meeting “ Sometimes it can seem like a festival of pain:

“Please hold my brother-in-law in the Light. He has just found out he has cancer.”

“Please hold my student in the light. She just lost her mom in a car accident.”

“Please hold the people of Mumbai in the Light as they rebuild after this terrible terrorist attack.”

As I listen to the requests, I am often overwhelmed by the many details given about a person or situation. I find myself focusing on the negative aspects of sadness or grieving or anger conveyed by the speaker. My ability to positively hold someone or an event in the light is diminished.

Long time member, Patricia Westervelt, used to emphasize that we only need to mention the name of a person or situation. Without adding further details, positive waves of energy and healing can be sent by our thoughts and prayers. A simple request might be “please hold Henrietta Jones in the healing Light”, “please send loving support to John”, “please hold our nation’s leaders in the Light”

For those who wish to share their concerns in more detail, Care and Counsel Committee members are available to listen. Some Meetings have a weekly email Light List that is sent to any Friend willing to hold other Friends and their concerns in the light. Perhaps our Meeting would be interested in having such a list.

Finally, an important part of holding in the light is the period of silence between speakers. How much more meaningful and effective are our requests if they do not land right on top of the previous one? May we follow each request with thoughtful, prayerful silence and reflection.

Suzan Kenworthy

# Announcements

## **Capital Campaign Update from The Friends School of Atlanta**

All those who care about Quaker education in Atlanta can take great pride in the journey of The Friends School of Atlanta (FSA). The school that arose from the dreams of just a few Meeting members has grown to become one of metro Atlanta's most cherished and respected elementary and middle school programs. Having begun in a couple of rooms at the Meetinghouse, FSA opened the doors of its beautiful new campus on Columbia Drive in Decatur last December. If you haven't seen our new home, we hope you will drop by or come to an event one day soon.

Thanks to generous benefactors, FSA was able to move to the new campus before completing the capital campaign. The payoff for the early move has been tremendous, as we have increased enrollment nearly 30 percent since our last full year on Sams Street. Now we must complete our capital campaign in time for two very important deadlines:

October 26, 2009 is the deadline for raising a balance of about \$34,000 in order to claim a \$250,000 challenge grant and wrap up the campaign. It would be absolutely heartbreaking if we miss that deadline and have to mortgage the \$250,000 instead. Falling short would also handicap FSA in the foundation community when we go to do another campaign in the future.

March 1, 2010 is the deadline for mortgaging the balance of what we owe for the purchase and renovation of this property, which totals \$3.8 million. The Board of Trustees, being conscientious stewards of FSA's finances, set an attainable goal for the campaign with the intention of mortgaging the rest of the funds. That said, every dollar raised over our campaign goal of \$1.576 million is a dollar we don't have to borrow.

With your help, we can meet the challenge and bring this momentous campaign for FSA to a successful close. If

you have already given, we are deeply grateful and ask that you consider adding to that gift or pledge. If you haven't yet given, now is the time to make an enormous difference for FSA! While we may be focused on meeting a fund-raising challenge, in the larger context we are talking about the ways in which FSA prepares its students to help solve the challenges of an ever-more complex world. Your support will equip a growing number of students to take on the world with the conscience, compassion and conviction they need not just to thrive, but to contribute in many meaningful ways.

To find out how to contribute, please contact Nancy Bent, Director of Advancement at FSA: email [nancy.bent@friendsschoolatlanta.org](mailto:nancy.bent@friendsschoolatlanta.org) or call 404-373-8746 x8135. Thank you!

## **FIT FOR FREEDOM, NOT FOR FRIENDSHIP 10/14, 10/25**

Please join Our Roles as Individuals in America's Racial History (ORAIARH) & the Committee on Undoing Racism in the Atlanta Friends Meeting (CUR-AFM) in reading and discussing this book about Quakers and African Americans by Donna McDaniel & Vanessa Julye. We will discuss Chapter 10 on Wednesday, October 14 at 7:30 PM at the Meetinghouse. On October 25 at 11:45 we will discuss Chapter 11 & the Epilogue. Our Meeting will be hosting the authors of the book on October 31 & November 1, and we have copies of the book to loan or sell.

## **Hike Saturday, October 17 at 9 AM**

Please plan to join East End Neighbors for a three-mile hike across the creek at Sweetwater Creek Park near Douglasville on Saturday, June 20 at 9 AM. Families with children welcome! We will meet to carpool at Bethel Baptist Church at 1890 Second Avenue Decatur 30032, next to the funeral home & near East Lake Commons, about three miles south of Decatur. (Please park behind the church.) We should be back by 1 PM. For more info please contact Bert Skellie at [bertskellie@gmail.com](mailto:bertskellie@gmail.com) or 404-378-5883.

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## **Meeting Messages out of the Silence**

There is an interesting verse in the bible where Paul seems to be recommending a style of worship similar to our unprogrammed worship:

“What should you do then, brothers and sisters? When you come together, each one has a song, has a lesson, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. Let all these things be done for the strengthening of the church.” (1 Cor 14:26)

One of the common threads of many of the deep meetings for worship I have experienced is that much of the ministry seemed to be for the strengthening of the community, especially spiritually. Friends called the community towards more faithfulness in following the leadings of the Spirit, and the messages seemed to be centered more around “we” and not as much around “I”. There were fewer messages about specific concerns. It was as if they were willing to lay aside their various concerns and stand together in the stream of the Divine, helping pull each other into a deeper communion.

I don't believe it was the content of the messages that made these worship experience so deep, it was the intention of the group to enter into worship together, to have their hearts knit together by the Spirit. The messages were a reflection of that common desire of the meeting.

What is our common desire? Mark Wutka

## **Report on Trip to Mid-America Yearly Meeting** from Beth Ensign

Well, Friends, what a trip! Floribert, Dieudonne, Jeanne and I travelled by plane to Wichita, Kansas, on July 22. Our adventure began at the airport, where Jeanne was surprised by the escalators. In Wichita, we were hosted by Ben Staley, pastor of Northridge Friends Church, and his wife. Ben drove us to Haviland, KS, to the campus of Barclay College (formerly Friends Bible College) where Mid-America Yearly Meeting was held. We were warmly welcomed by everyone there. This yearly meeting was a special celebration of 75 years of the Friends Church in Burundi, and the American Friends in Kansas were delighted to welcome Burundi Friends.

One of the great highlights of this trip for our Burundi Friends was the opportunity they had to learn more of the history of Arthur Chilson, the first missionary to Burundi, and to spend time with the retired missionaries attending MAYM who had served extensively in Burundi. In some cases, these were people they had known as children in Burundi. Cena Monthly Meeting, which is the home meeting of both Floribert and Dieudonne, along with most of the other Burundi Friends who came to Kansas, was close to the mission station of David and Mae Kellum. And Willard Ferguson taught Dieudonne and Floribert when they were boys. These missionaries and others were present at MAYM. For both the Americans and the Burundis, this was a precious time of renewing contact and remembering the past. The missionaries also brought 13 new copies of the Burundi hymnbook, which the Burundis were happy to receive.

Among the artifacts the missionaries had brought to share at yearly meeting was a notebook of old photographs. All the Burundis found pictures of people they had known, and Floribert found a picture of his grandfather, a Friends pastor murdered in the 1972 war, who he had never known, and also pictures of an uncle and his mother. His uncle, also killed in 1972, is, according to Mae Kellum, remembered as a martyr of the 1972 atrocities.

This was a good opportunity for us to learn the current state of Burundi Friends Church. There were many, many Friends at MAYM who had traveled to Burundi more than once, sometimes to stay for extended periods. Jeanne, especially, was so happy to be among Friends who could speak her language! A large group from MAYM had been in Burundi just the week before the yearly meeting to attend the celebration in Burundi of 75 years of the Friends Church there. Burundi Yearly Meeting is now independent from MAYM, though there are still many connections. I spoke with David Robinson about their sister church program, which is basically that American churches send funds to help pay for work and materials that Burundi churches cannot supply for themselves by their own labor (paint, tin for roofs, electrical or plumbing work). The sister church program has not been consistently active, in part because of the

uncertainty of delivering funds. This remains an issue, but I asked David to stay in contact with us about that program. The funds that we sent recently are in the hands of the Kellums at present. Mae Kellum told me they are trying to find a good, safe way to get the money into the right hands in Burundi, so that a lot of it won't get siphoned off by middle men. She will let us know when they have arranged safe passage for the funds. (Continued next page)

For MAYM Friends, this was a good opportunity for Dieudonne to explain how the war affected Burundi churches from 1993 on and how Friends activities started in Tanzanian refugee camps. This was new information for American Friends. One result of this sharing is that MAYM

will now be helping to plant churches (their term for seeding new meetings) along the border with Tanzania, with a goal of supporting returning refugees.

Before our departure for Atlanta on Sunday, we attended Northridge Friends Church. This is a programmed, evangelical church, but a small group holds an unprogrammed meeting each Sunday at 8:15. I wanted to attend this meeting, and the Burundi Friends attended it also. After that early, unprogrammed worship, the church had two services. During each service, Sunday school ran concurrently. We attended different Sunday school classes during the earlier service, and then attended the later service. During each of the services, we delivered greetings from Atlanta.

Dieudonne observed that people came with their own Bibles to church and Sunday School, which is similar to Tuesday night Bible study here. They have a program of singing once a month, along with singing during their worship. He also noted that people from programmed and unprogrammed worship join together in Sunday school.

MAYM appreciated that Atlanta, Louisville, and Tucson Friends gave Burundi Friends financial support in order to attend MAYM conference. They were very happy to meet Burundi Friends here in the US. Ben Staley asked me to give him information about who to contact regarding resettling refugees from Burundi in the Wichita area. Surprising to me, they were not aware of the Burundi refugee resettlement that has taken place in this country over the last 4 years. They would be well suited to sponsoring refugees, particularly those with a Friends affiliation. There are not that many places in the US where you can meet Americans who speak Kirundi, but in Kansas, you can!

For me, this trip was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about both American and Burundi Friends. It was also a chance for me to come to know the three Burundi Friends I traveled with much better. As I attended the yearly meeting sessions in Haviland, I made notes to myself regarding the differences and similarities I saw. One hugely noticeable difference was the prominence of singing. Each yearly meeting session began with a period of worship in song. (This was led by a music minister who, when I shared with him our English/Kirundi song book, made sure to choose at least one song that had a Kirundi-language version.) There were also great differences in language. Many of the Quaker terms I am used to hearing here in SAYMA region were completely absent, replaced with evangelical language that I recognize from my attendance at nondenominational evangelical churches in this region. Another large difference was that this was a ministry conference as well as a yearly meeting session. The business that was conducted was conducted in representative sessions (only 2) during the course of the conference. Almost everyone attending appeared to be a recorded minister. Many were graduates of the host college.

But underneath the differences in language in language and structure, I found many underlying similarities. I attended a workshop on Quaker missionaries, in which we talked about George Fox, John Woolman, and Mary Fisher. I met Friends who, while they may have been to Burundi, had never been east of the Mississippi, but I also met Friends who were involved with wider Quaker organizations familiar to us here in the east. I learned that, though there are both pastoral and unprogrammed Friends groups all over Kansas, they do not have much to do with one another. There is, however, a biannual meeting of Friendly women from both pastoral and unprogrammed traditions in the midAmerica region. Several women invited me to attend that meeting, coming up this November. As I left Barclay College on Saturday, and Northridge Friends Church on the last Sunday, the words of the spiritual "we are one in the Spirit" were sounding in my head.

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And I pray that all unity may one day be restored.  
They will know we are Christians by our love, by our love.  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

**Atlanta Friends Meeting**  
**Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**  
**Ninth Month 20, 2009As Recorded Pending Approval**

Steve Collins presented the query: “How do we collectively discern our community’s leadings, while conserving our financial resources and volunteer energy? Are we willing to take up new ministries? Are we willing to lay down old ministries?” (Jonah McDonald)

In attendance were: Mike Aland, Muireann Brennan, Susan Cozzens, Mary Ann Downey, Nina Gooch, Judith Greenberg, Bill Holland, Kathy Johnson, Elizabeth Lamb, Georgia Lord, Suzan Kenworthy, Tom Kenworthy, Beta Martinson, Sue May Steve McLaughlin, Caroline Morris, Margarite Rece, Christina Repoley, Meredith Reynolds, Bert Skellie, Karen terHorst Morris, Perry Treadwell, Denny Webster, Pat Williams

**1. Approval of Minutes of Eighth Month Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**

**Minute 20-09-01:** Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the minutes of Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business of Eighth Month 2009 with no corrections.

**2. Treasurer’s Report:** Meredith Reynolds reported that there has been \$73,548 raised through August 31 and expenses of \$86, 972. Total income thus far in 2009 represents 52 percent of the budget. The deficit as of August 31 stands at \$13,423. Rentals continue to run substantially ahead compared to previous years, while contributions are about 10 percent ahead of previous years. Because of delayed payment for Church Mutual Insurance, expenses are a little behind what is expected at this point in the year. There is still cash on hand thanks to reserves set aside in anticipation of deficits early in the year. The Ferguson Cabin has received over \$23,000 in contributions.

**3. Ministry & Worship:** Suzan Kenworthy requested approval to lay down the monthly “Meeting for Healing” and a minute of appreciation to Mark Wutka for his work with this ministry. Suzan also requested approval of a minute of gratitude for the “Right Work” forum.

**Minute 20-09-02:** Atlanta Friends Meeting expresses its appreciation to Mark Wutka for leading a monthly Meeting for Healing and accepts his decision to lay it down.

**Minute 20-09-03:** Atlanta Friends Meeting wishes to express gratitude to Georgia Lord, Don Bender, and Steve McLaughlin for their efforts to organize and implement the forum “Right Work: Discerning your Calling” given on August 3, 2009. The forum was attended by more than 30 people and led to a spirited and highly engaged discussion. Suzan reported that as part of her work towards an M.Div. at Candler School of Theology, Christina Repoley will be working with the meeting approximately 8 hours a week for the next year. As part of her education on liturgy and worship, she has proposed the development of a mid-week Meeting for Worship to be held in the evening, with the mid-week meeting involving semi-programmed worship once a month.

**Minute 20-09-04:** Atlanta Friends Meeting supports Christina Repoley in her proposal of a mid-week worship and the concept of a Semi-Programmed Meeting for this service.

**4. Nominating:** Sally McEwen presented a first request for Christina Repoley’s membership on Ministry & Worship. Final approval will be sought in Tenth Month. Nominating is looking for a new lead teacher for Lower Elementary First Day class.

Sally also provided an update on Religious Education Committee and Fundraising Committee activities. In August nearly 30 Friends attended the Godly Play Forum while 14 attended the associated workshop.

**Minute 20-09-05:** Atlanta Friends Meeting wishes to express appreciation for Michael Gibson and Melinda Wenner-Bradley of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting for leading the August 14-16, 2009 Godly Play workshop, Betsy Eggers for Coordinating the events, Mary Jahntz for her vision, and Isabelle Werber for coordinating

hospitality for the entire weekend.

**Minute 20-09-06:** Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the Fundraising Committees' proposal for a "Celebration with Attention to Song" to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in December.

**5. Administration:** Karen Morris presented for final approval the job description for a nursery caregiver.

**Minute 20-09-07:** Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the nursery caregiver job description.

The status of pre-meeting childcare and related issues are being and will be discussed by the Administration Committee, Religious Education, Ministry & Worship, and the Burundi Support group and any recommendations will be brought before Business Meeting in the future.

**6. Social Concerns:** Bert Skellie reported that the Social Concerns Committee's planned activities for fall and early winter include numerous opportunities for Friends to become involved with local, state, and national issues related to peace and social justice, environmental concerns, race relations, the State Legislature, and health insurance. The work of the committee will benefit from more direct involvement by Friends who are interested in social concerns. A more detailed report is attached.

**7. Educational Scholarship:** Sue May reported that sufficient contributions were made by members and attenders of Atlanta Friends Meeting to allow us to give seven Young Friends a \$500 scholarship this year. For three of these scholars, this was their first scholarship from the Fund. In one case, our \$500 was matched by another \$500 from the college (Guilford). Students receiving scholarships: Gabrielle Lahowitch (Guilford College), Paul Mangelsdorf (Haverford College), Issa Prescott, (Florida A&M), Gabriel Klein-Kuhn (Berklee School of Music), Grace Oedel (Yale University), Carson Phillips-Spotts (Colby College), and Daniel Gatch (Emory University).

**8. AFSC Report:** Susan Cozzens reported on both national and local issues concerning ASFC. The General Secretary has announced her decision to leave, effective March 30, 2010. This position is one of only two with ASFC that must be filled by a Quaker. Because of economic factors and budgetary priorities and commitments, AFSC has cut its operating budget in half, and Atlanta efforts and activities have been affected. AFSC-SERA has moved, and costs have had an impact on renovations. There may be opportunities for a painting work camp this fall and winter

**9. SAYMA:** Caroline Noyes presented the SAYMA report. Finances are sound, SAYF retreats have been well attended, and plans are being made for the 2010 FWCC Southeast Regional Gathering and 2010 SAYMA Yearly Meeting. The next representatives meeting will be March 6<sup>th</sup> in Nashville.

**10. Other Items:** Nina Gooch requested permission for FLGBTQ Concerns members to march in the October Atlanta Pride Parade under the AFM banner.**Minute 20-09-8:** Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the use of the banner for FLGBTQ Friends.

Perry Treadwell recommended that Friends read the article in Friends Journal concerning Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Steve Collins reported that the Naming Committee is being reformed, and will begin the process of bringing names forward for Nominating Committee. Also, The Friend in Residence Search committee has completed its initial round of interviews and hopes to have a candidate to present at Tenth Month.Meeting ended with silent worship.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Collins, Clerk

Caroline Noyes, Recording Clerk

## Calendar for Tenth Month, 2009

### Area Meetings for Worship

Every First Day, 10:00 a.m.— In the Meeting Room and a small meeting in the Library.

Every First Day, 3 p.m. — Carrollton Friends Worship Group, St. Andrew United Methodist Youth Center, 1106 Maple St, Carrollton, [lessell.bray@gmail.com](mailto:lessell.bray@gmail.com) or 770-830-8705.

Every 2nd and 4th First Day, 10:00 a.m. — Canton Friends Worship Group, 360 E. Marietta St, Canton, 12:00 p.m. Contact Marty Bray for more information: 770-830-8705 or [lessell.bray@gmail.com](mailto:lessell.bray@gmail.com)

Every Fifth Day, 12:10 p.m.— First Thursdays at AFSC office, 189A Sams Street, Decatur, GA, 30030.,

Every other Thursday at East Lake Commons, 404-378-5883 or [bertskellie@gmail.com](mailto:bertskellie@gmail.com).

Every Sixth Day, 8:45 a.m.— Friends School of Atlanta, 862 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30030, 404-373-8746.

Mon-Fri Morning Worship, 8:30 – 9:00: In the library at Atlanta Friends Meetinghouse. Contact Jonah McDonald, [404-377-2474,afmquakers@hotmail.com](mailto:404-377-2474,afmquakers@hotmail.com)

### Weekly Events

Every First Day (Sunday)

9:00 Adult Religious Education

9:15 Singing, Classroom A/B

10:00 Meetings for Worship

Every Week Day (Monday – Friday)

8:30-9:00 Morning Silent Worship, Library

Every Second-Fifth Day (Monday-Thursday)

8:30-12:30 Smart Toddlers,

Nursery/playground

Every Third Day (Tuesday)

7:30pm Silent Meditation, Meeting Room

7:30pm Bible Study, Library

### Other Events

10/1, Fifth Day (Thursday)

7:30-9:00 Meeting for Peace, Library

10/4, First Day (Sunday)

10:00-11:00 Worship followed by potluck

11:15-1:30 Green Friends, A/B

10/7, Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:00-9:00 Admin Com Library

10/8, Fifth Day (Thursday)

7:30-9:30 Social Concerns, Library

10/11, First Day (Sunday)

11:30-1:30 Ministry and Worship, A/B

11:30-2:00 Care and Counsel, Jr. Teen Rm.

11:45-2:00 Finance, Library

11:45-1:00 Green Friends, Meeting Room

11:45-1:00 RE Storytellers Meeting, Nursery

6:15-8:45 Spiritual Nurture Group # 2

Library

10/12, Second Day (Monday)

7:00-10:00 Spiritual Nurture Group

10/14, Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:00-9:30 ORIIA Library

10/15, Fifth Day (Thursday)

6:45-10:15 Friendly 8s--Spiritual Journeys

JHS class Rm

10/16, Fifth Day (Friday)**Newsletter Deadline** –To

Perry Treadwell

10/18, First Day (Sunday)

11:45 Meeting for Worship with Attention to

Business, Meeting Room (childcare available)~6:00

Newcomer's

Welcome dinner TBA

10/25, First Day (Sunday)

11:45-1:15CUR-AFM) Meeting RM

6:15 – 8:45 Spiritual Nurture Group #2

Library

10/26, Second Day (Monday)

7:15 – 10pm Spiritual Nurture Group

Please confirm unique events by checking the announcement sheets and or contacting the Meeting.

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Readers are encouraged to submit letters, articles, poetry, calendar notices and anything else of interest to Friends. Items should be sent directly to: Perry Treadwell [perryt@bellsouth.net](mailto:perryt@bellsouth.net) 404-325-1504

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