



SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

Feb 2015 plus late January: bumper issue



MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

Every Sunday at 10.30 am at the Open Door, 420 Morningside Road, EH10 5HY, with separate children's meeting.

Every Wed at Victoria Terrace: 12.30-1.00.

At Portobello: 1st Sunday at Old Parish Church Bellfield St, EH15 2BP at **7.30 pm** for half an hour; and **2nd and 4th Sun** at **10.30 am** at CHANGES Community Health Project, 108 Market Street, Musselburgh EH21 6QA.

At Broughton St Mary's: 4th Sunday. 7pm in the Drummond Room at Broughton St Mary's Church, Bellevue Cresc. More info: Marjorie Farquharson. *(This is the meeting previously held at Barony St)*

Central Edinburgh meeting has an early Sunday morning meeting at 9.30am in addition to the regular 11.00am meeting at Victoria Terrace.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In **January** is for **Northern Friends Peace Board**, which was established to promote peace in 2013 (Jane Lewis) nfpb.org.uk

February – t.b.c.

LOCAL MEETING EVENTS

Discussion on **Directory of Central Quaker Services** at Edinburgh Central Meeting, 1pm on **Sun 18th Jan**

Local Meeting for Business – after meeting on **Sun 25th Jan** (postponed from the advertised date the week before).

Meeting with Ian Murray MP afternoon of **30th Jan** – Phil Noble or David Somervell will have details.

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

Life Under Occupation in a Divided Land. On **Sun 18th Jan**, 7-9pm, Bronwen Currie (GM's p-t administrator) will talk about her experience in the West Bank last year as a human rights observer. Her blog about it: broncurrie.wordpress.com More about the EAPPI programme at eappi.org. All welcome to Portobello Joppa Parish Church (St Philips), Brunstane Rd EH15 2DL.

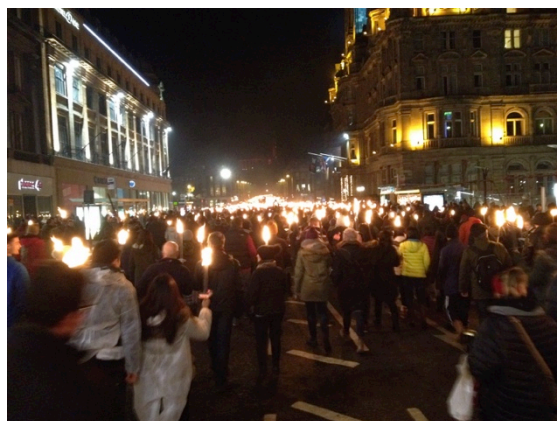
The **Drop-In Group** 1st Monday afternoons, contact Sylvia Massey.

Singing Group 2nd Tuesdays, 7.30pm at Victoria Terrace. Contact Rachel Frith.

Rachel also offers **Coffee at Rachel's** at 10.15 on first and third Thursdays.

Edinburgh Women's Interfaith Group meets on 3rd Wednesdays at 7pm. www.edinwig.org.uk.

Book Group now **fourth** Sundays at 1pm, Victoria Terrace. Jan, Richard Flanagan *The Narrow Road to the Deep North*; Feb, *The Travels of Mungo Park*. Qs to Rachel Frith.



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The Quaker Way Ahead

* Local MfB on 25th January will include discussion of this subject, repeated from our last newsletter:

Meeting for Sufferings has asked the Long-term Framework Working Group to seek to discern the broad vision of Quakers in Britain. In a letter to meetings they say:

We ask local meetings, area meetings and other Quaker groups and individuals to discern what we are led to do together. We offer these questions as prompts to you in your discernment:

1. What is distinctive about Quaker work and witness, to us and to others?
2. What is your vision of the ministry that your local meeting and Quakers in Britain are called to, now and in the future?
3. What are we led to do together?
4. How could Quaker structures and networks help Quakers in Britain to flourish?
5. Any other feedback (note that it is not intended to list specific projects or programmes)

If you can help us with our discernment, please respond by 31st January.

We will be considering this in South Edinburgh at our Meeting for Business on **25th January**. You can find out more, and reply individually to these questions online at www.quaker.org.uk/way-ahead Postal replies to Peter Sender (The Way Ahead), Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ or email ltf@quaker.org.uk.

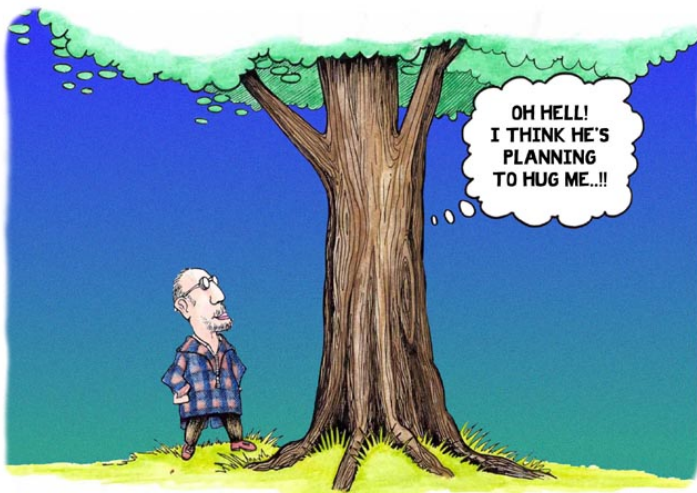
Quaker Business and ethics at work

The Quakers and Business Group promotes Quaker values in business and the workplace. qandb.org

They've just produced a second edition of their book Good Business: Ethics at Work which you can read free online, or preview it and order paper or electronic copies at qandb.org/resources/publications/ethics-at-work

It is quaker-based and pitched in Advices and Queries-style. There's a nice short section on Quaker decision making.

FOR ALL AGES



Consider the trees. They have no legs to run with.

Nick Kim, Science and Ink

Quaker relevance of this cartoon: 70%.

DOES PUNCTUALITY MATTER?

'Does punctuality matter?.....if our goal is to achieve a group mystical experience, deepening and enriching our individual experience, then , it seems to me, we need to start the process at the same time.' (Quaker Faith and Practice 2.47 Bodine 1980)

We aim to be seated in Meeting for Worship on Sundays just before 10.30. We ask those arriving after 10.30 to wait until 10.40 to minimize disruption. At this time the door keeper will come downstairs and will join any latecomers to enter together.

If you're later than 10.40, you may have confused your clock with a *Calendar*.

SOUTH EDINBURGH QUAKER CALENDAR 2015

2015	Local Meeting (us. 3rd Sun)	Area Meeting	GM and other meetings
Jan	25 January*	Sun 11th (South Edin) 2-5pm	
Feb			
Mar	15 March	Sat 28th (Central Edin) 11am-5	Sat 7th GM – St Andrews Sun 8 th Meeting at Faslane
April		Sat 18th (Central Fife) 2pm	Sun 12 th Faslane
May	17 May	Sat 30th (Kelso) 11.30am	Fr 1 st – 4 th May – Britain Yearly Meeting, London Sun 10 th Faslane
June			Sat 6th GM – North Scotland tbc Sun 14 th Faslane
July	19 July	Sun 12th (South Edin) 2pm	
Aug		Sat 29th (East Lothian) 2pm	
Sep	(miss)		Sat 12th GM – Glasgow Sun 27 th Faslane
Oct	18 Oct	Sat 24th (Central Edin) 11am	
Nov		Sat 28th (Portobello) 2pm	Sun 8 th Faslane Sat-Sun 14-15th Residential GM – Edinburgh
Dec	(miss)		

2016	Local Meeting (us. 3rd Sun)	Area Meeting	GM and other meetings
Jan	17 January	Sun 10th (South Edin) 2pm	
Feb		Sat 27th (Central Edin) 11am	
Mar	20 January		

From our Christmas party at Susie and Rufus' house



MORE NEWS AND DATES

The **Quaker Council for European Affairs** is organising a study tour **18-25 April**: visit the European Commission, Parliament, Court of Human Rights, and meet Quakers and other NGO staff working in Brussels. Deadline for application 8th Feb. qcea.org has an interesting blog. bit.ly/1KS9THq for tour info.

World day of prayer preparation at Church of Scotland Offices, 121 George St, 10.30 am on Fridays Feb 6, 10 and 27; then **World Day of Prayer itself** at a church near you on **Fri Mar 6th**

Meetings at Faslane are listed on the Calendar on page 2; from Sun Mar 8th. Bring something to eat, something to sit on, and weatherproof clothing. Alison Burnley has additional info including how to get there.

Scrap Trident Coalition are organising a demo in Glasgow on **Sat Mar 28th**. Plus a blockade of Faslane's North Gate on **Mon Apr 15th**; non-violent training available.

Our **Wiston weekend** is 4-6 Sep 2015.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To **Yoni**, who will be 10 on Feb 2nd!



UNMISSABLE INTERNETS

Our **Facebook page of the month** is **The Appendix** (2,910 Likes), an eclectic online magazine. For instance try its article about early Quakers bit.ly/1HJk5jW

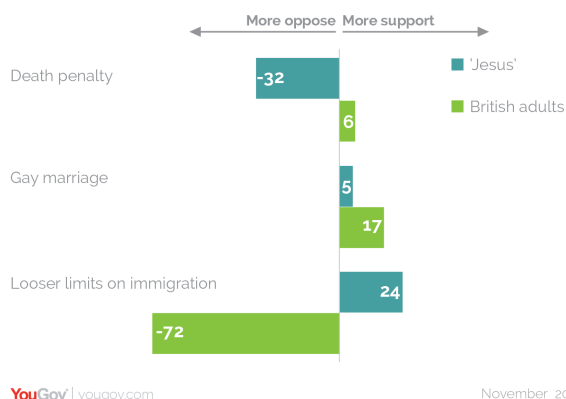


What would Jesus do?

Polling company YouGov asked nearly 2000 UK adults what Jesus' views would be on various topics, and compared the answers with the views of current British adults.

Thought experiment: what would Jesus do?

What British people tend to say Jesus would support or oppose if he "expressed views on the political issues of the day", compared to their own views. Net scores (support minus oppose)



The newsletter is usually distributed on the last Sunday of each month. Send things you'd like to see to neilturn@gmail.com. The usual deadline of the 2nd last Sunday of each month.

You can read this and more interesting things at quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh

They predicted that Jesus would be against the death penalty and pro-immigration, but that he'd be more conservative than them in his views on gay marriage. bit.ly/1KSaxES