NYM Activities

- **Annual Session** where hundreds of Friends come together each Memorial Day Weekend for fellowship, worship, and to conduct the yearly meeting's business.
- **Spring and Fall Interim Sessions** hosted by different Meetings in varied locations and online, where we build community and conduct business.
- **Adult Young Friends (AYF)** stay connected as they transition from youth to adult roles.
- **Inter-visitation among meetings** to share news and concerns, provide and to receive spiritual comfort and support in times of challenge.
- **Workshops**, both in person and virtual, to deepen our Quaker faith and practices and to help us develop skills, grow spiritually and have an impact on world events.

Our Publications

- **Monthly NYM e-News** brings matters of special interest, announcements, news, and upcoming events to Friends.
- **NYM Journal** is an online collection of inspiring writing and creative work contributed by members of NYM and other Friends.
- **Northern Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice** outlines our Quaker testimonies and suggests how they can be applied to everyday life.

Be a Part of NYM

- **Attend Annual Session**, Interim Sessions or workshops and events.
- **Become a representative to NYM** from your Meeting or Worship Group.
- **Connect your children** with NYM activities.
- **Volunteer to help** with Children and Youth programs, or be a Friendly presence at their events.
- **Take part in a committee** to engage in stimulating work to enrich our community and the international Quaker community.
- **Contribute financially** to NYM.



Find a list of Meetings and Worship Groups and learn more about NYM:
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Northern Yearly Meeting

A Community of Friends Meetings and Worship Groups (Quakers)

NYM connects Meetings and Worship Groups in the upper Midwest to each other, and to other communities and civic organizations that share Quaker values.

We recognize and embrace the Divine in all people and welcome everyone regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity. We seek right relationship with native peoples and with the earth we inhabit and strive to become an anti-racist community.

Established in 1975, we are located in Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, Iowa and Upper Michigan. Meetings range in size from a few to a few hundred. We are located in rural, small town, and urban settings. We are affiliated with Friends General Conference (FGC).

We Nurture Our Children and Youth

- **Programming for younger children** at Annual Session with structured and unstructured play, learning, leadership skills development, and friendships with other Quakers.



- **Middle and High School retreats** several times a year at locations throughout the yearly meeting area. Teens are encouraged and mentored to take leadership roles.
- **Scholarships** enable children and youth to attend Camp Woodbrooke, a Quaker camp in southwestern Wisconsin. Youth may also serve as a NYM representative to wider Friends Organizations.
- **Older youth** may serve as counselors or helpers at Camp Woodbrooke.
- **Many Friends from NYM attended Scattergood Friends School**, and their students participate in our retreats.

NYM Committees Serve Our Community

- **Advancement & Outreach** stays in touch with monthly meetings and worship groups, offering resources and support.
- **Finance** prepares the annual budget, and oversees the work of the Treasurer.
- **Children & Youth** hires and oversees coordinators for the Middle School and High School programming, including Annual Session, and coordinates with the leader of the younger children & youth programs at Annual Session.
- **Ministry & Nurture** is charged with nurturing the spiritual health of the Yearly meeting.
- **Communications** oversees publications and facilitates communication among NYM constituents.
- **Anti-Racism Working Group** looks at the work within Northern Yearly Meeting to end racism and gathers available resources to further our ongoing anti-racist work.

NYM Affiliations include

- **Friends General Conference** offers services to nurture the spiritual vitality of Quaker Meetings and others.
- **Friends Committee on National Legislation** encourages Friends and others to take action on legislative issues with members of Congress.
- **Friends Peace Teams** develops long-term relationships with communities in conflict around the world for justice, healing, and creating cultures of peace.
- **Quaker Earthcare Witness** works to inspire Spirit-led action toward ecological sustainability and environmental justice.



- **Friends World Committee on Consultation** brings Quakers around the world together to promote fellowship and understanding.
- **American Friends Service Committee** brings together people of all faiths and backgrounds to challenge injustice and build peace around the globe.
- **Friends for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Concerns** affirms that of God in all people and supports people in exploring intersections between spirituality, gender, and sexuality.