

Ministry and Worship Committee of Friends Meeting of Louisville—

Committee Responsibilities

Spiritual Health of the Meetings for Worship (including MfB) and of individuals

- Assure that communion with God in the silence remains the basis on which Meetings are held
- Educating, guiding and eldering (+/-) about/for vocal ministry
- Strengthen the balance of deep silence and vocal ministry in meeting for worship
- Meet with members/attenders acting in ways not compatible with Friends' testimonies or practice. This is guiding/eldering/spiritual nurture-- in Friends' framework of loving concern

Membership

- Provide information and instruction about membership in the Religious Society of Friends
- Arrange clearness committees—
 - for membership
 - to facilitate consideration of transfers in/out of FML
- Encourage faithfulness in attendance and other membership responsibilities

Spiritual Growth and Guidance

- Promote—in individuals and the Friends community—responding to Divine promptings
- Strengthening the nexus between worship and business throughout the meeting, including committees
- Introduction of and educating on format of memorial and wedding meetings for worship under the care of Meeting, in coordination with C&N and Hospitality and House and Grounds
- Foster spiritual ties between and among members and/or attenders. Provide ways for members and seekers to grow in spiritual life. (For example through spiritual gatherings, retreats, sharing of spiritual journeys, spiritual friendships, prayer groups, First Hours, support of attendance at wider Quaker activities, meeting intervisitations, committee work)
- Clearness committees for marriage under the care of the Meeting

Monitoring and Reporting on Spiritual Health of Meeting

- Report monthly to Meeting for Worship with attention to Business (MfB)
- Lead preparation of the State of the Meeting report