NCFF Outreach Working Group report to NCFF Annual Gathering 08/20/2022

Follow-up to NCFF-OWG meeting on 03/19/2022 to designate 2022 use of NCYM, Inc funds distribution. The OWG has not had a meeting since March 2022. One is being planned for this September to finalize spending of the second half of the 2022 NCYM, Inc. trust funds designated "Mission"

Considerations noted in a meeting following NCFF's March 2022 meeting for worship with attention to business:

- The OWG is currently holding \$500 in our expected distribution to be sent to Friends Disaster Service in 2nd half of 2022, current need to be determined
- Mary Allen will share with OWG the responses she has received from NCFF meetings about:
 - what they are currently doing to support young families attending their meetings;
 - and about what they are doing for "Christian/Quaker Education" for children, youth, adults.
- The OWG is awaiting a response from FUM re: what meetings across FUM are doing for "Christian/Quaker Education" for children, youth, adults
- Beth will explore with Richard Wilcox (NCFF Clerk) and Marcy Shipwash (Clerk, NCFF Youth & Children Working Group (and Tanna Shipwash & Tyler Foster) the feasibility of doing an interest group via ZOOM the weekend before the August 20 in-person gathering at Quaker Lake (sometime Aug 12-14)
 - All who participate in a possible Christian Ed Interest Group in August should read the Feb 1, 2022 Friends Journal article, "How to Retain Young Families in Quaker Meeting"
 - This is of concern to the OWG because if the next generation (if there is one) do not know anything about the current work of the OWG, then current and future support for the work will disappear.
- Disbursements made Jan-June 2022:

0	Ramallah Friends Schools Scholarships	\$2	2000
0	Fayetteville Quaker House	\$	500

AFSC Immigration work \$1000

0	FUM: Belize, Oscar Mmbali's ministry	\$1000
0	FUM: Friends Theological College vehicle fund	\$1000
0	Friends Peace Teams	\$ 500
0	Ukraine relief (ICRC*)	\$1000
	*(International Committee of the Red Cross)	
	TOTAL for Jan-June	\$7,000
Spen	ding saved for July-December 2022:	
0	FEMAP	\$ 500
0	AVP (They hope to resume training in prison facilities	\$ 500
	by summer 2022)	
0	Friends Disaster Service (current need to be determined)	\$ 500
0	Living Letters trip (if it happens in the fall)	\$ 1000
	2nd half planned	\$3,000
	2nd half TBD	\$4,700

- Spending possibilities tabled for consideration in July-Dec 2022:
 - FUM General Budget
 - FUM General Missions
 - Lugulu Hospital (Kenya)
 - FWCC
- In informal discussions among OWG participants, it was agreed that time should be given to prayerfully update our definitions of "missions" and "outreach" to more accurately encompass growing and evolving awareness of F/friends need to become more inclusive and respectful of the world faith community, as well as the value of diversity among and around us.

* "Missions" fund guidelines:

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<u>Specific Committee Duties [NCYM's Missions Committee, prior to 2017]</u>

1. Promote the spiritual values of involvement in mission work as part of Christ's Commission to "go into all the world and preach the gospel."

2. Promote the ministry of missions and enlist financial support from the Monthly Meetings.

3. Administer the Friends Mexico Missions according to provisions set forth in the approved Mission Manual.

4. Plan, promote and implement Missionary Conferences and the deputation visitation of missionaries.

5. Act as an information center for Yearly Meeting and Friends United Meeting Mission Work.

6. Administer committee funds.