Report from Bill Eagles to NCFF re FWCC March 9, 2024

Friends,

Our meeting will find me in Richmond, Indiana, at the FUM board meeting. I will report on that later.

I just returned from the FWCC Section of the Americas executive committee meeting in Portland, Oregon. The largest matters of the moment are the success of the campaign that will support programming (including in North America in conjunction with FUM), the upcoming World Plenary Meeting, and the search for a new executive secretary to replace Robin Mohr. I bring the following report, largely taken from the Clerk's report executive committee:

The Global Capital Campaign for FWCC carried a deep discernment around needs, mission, and implementation. Quaker Connect – the pilot project designed to equip congregations to be more clearly who they are meant to be profoundly Quaker, deeply rooted, visible and relational in their local community. Tending the Nets – New tools for Friends in the 21 st century, including an interactive, global map of Friends meetings and churches and online meetings for worship, an online glossary of Quaker terms, in all the languages that Friends speak, and enhanced translation and interpretation services. Visitation - FWCC's core purpose is bringing people together across institutional, geographic, and cultural barriers. Consultations on topics that matter to Friends and to the world will connect Friends through in-person and online events and traveling ministers.

With the pending resignation of Robin Mohr, our Executive Secretary, a search process is underway.

The FWCC World Plenary Meeting (WPM) August 5-12. Friends will gather in South Africa for business, worship, and fellowship together celebrating the presence of all four FWCC Sections. The theme of the event is "Living the Spirit of Ubuntu: Responding with hope to God's call to care for creation and one-another".

Celebrations for the 400th anniversary of the birth of Quaker co-founder George Fox will take place throughout 2024. Many of these events can be joined online. The FWCC World website has wonderful resources available for you and your Meeting to participate.

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