

## **Spiritual State of the Meeting Queries**

(An arrangement by topic of the SEYM queries on page 2)

**Worship & Presence** – How is God's presence being experienced in our meeting? How has the Spirit been moving among us this past year?

- Has there been a deepening and strengthening of the sense of the Divine Presence in our midst during the past year?
- Do we feel a sense of our individual spirits fusing into an undivided group as we worship?
- Do we leave our meetings filled with a sense of love and peace and courage to meet the challenge of Spirit filled living?

**Spiritual Growth** – How have our meeting for worship and other activities nurtured our spiritual growth?

- Where do we find hope in the meeting and in our spiritual life?
- In what ways could the meeting reach more fully for the Light?

**Support for Each Other** – How do we support each other as members of this beloved community?

- Do you have reflections on the condition of the meeting, places where you see new life emerging, loss, or sadness that you want to share?
- What nourishes or could nourish you more in our meeting? What would help meeting to answer your needs and those of other members and attenders?
- What makes it difficult to attend meeting? What would help you attend meeting more regularly?

**Meeting Business** – How well do our meetings for worship with a concern for business lead to a corporate search for and revelation of God's truth?

- How does the spirit of worship extend into our committee work and into meeting for worship with a concern for business?
- How well do we take stock of the meeting's financial health?
- How well do we plan for helping those in need, both within meeting and beyond?
- How do you yourself support meeting with your time, money and talents?

**Witness in Community** – How does love manifest itself in our meeting, our community and the world?

- What was our meeting's witness in the wider community during the past year?
- What else might we do, or do differently?
- What would help us to be stronger witnesses?

**What else do you wish to say about our meeting?**

## **Southeastern Yearly Meeting Queries for Spiritual State of the Meeting Reports**

<http://seymquakers.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/SOM.Queries.pdf>

Please be reminded that each meeting will choose the four or five queries that best speak to your meeting's needs. They are simply intended to be used to assist your meeting in the writing of this document.

1. How do we support each other as members of this beloved community?
2. How well do our meetings for worship with a concern for business lead to a corporate search for and revelation of God's truth?
3. What was our meeting's witness in the wider community in the last year?
4. How has our meeting for worship or other meeting activities nurtured our spiritual growth?
  
5. Has there been a deepening and strengthening of the sense of the Divine Presence in our midst during the past year?
6. Do we feel a sense of our individual spirits fusing into an undivided group as we worship?
7. Do we leave our meetings filled with a sense of love and peace and courage to meet the challenge of Spirit filled living?
  
8. Where do you find hope in the meeting and in our spiritual life?
  
9. How is God's presence being experienced in our meeting?
10. Are there places where the meeting isn't reaching fully for the Light?
11. Do you have other reflections on the current condition of the meeting-places where you see new life emerging, loss or sadness that you want to share?
12. How does the spirit of worship extend into our committee work and into meeting for worship with a concern for business?
13. How does love manifest itself in our meeting, in our communities and in the world?
14. How has the Spirit been moving among us this past year?
  
15. Especially in this time of economic uncertainty, are we taking stock of the meeting's financial health and planning for ways to help those in need?
16. What has already and would nourish you in our meeting?
17. What needs to be different to help us attend meeting more regularly?
18. What makes it difficult to attend meeting?
19. What would we like meeting to be to meet our needs and needs of those who would attend meeting?
20. What do I need to say about our meeting?