

**Pacific Yearly Meeting
68th Annual Session Minutes and Reports**

PLENARY II

Plenary II began with worship at 10:00.

After opening worship, Jonathan Vogel-Borne of Cambridge Friends Meeting (New England Yearly Meeting) rose to deliver his keynote talk and to offer his ministry, based on the verse “*Your Sons and Your Daughters will Prophecy*” (Acts 2:17 & Joel 2:28). Jonathan called us to name, encourage and live out our prophetic witness, fulfill our divine purpose, dismantle the domination system, tear down the religion of empire, and build alternative communities that bring all of creation home to the unconditional love of God. Both talk and ministry were well received with goodwill, shared memories, humor and a sense of being inspired.

His talk was recorded and will be posted on the Yearly Meeting website.

Speaker’s Background: After nearly 30 years of wandering in the eastern parts of this country, Jonathan Vogel-Borne was especially blessed to be invited “home” to the yearly meeting where he was raised. He grew up in Orange Grove Monthly Meeting in Pasadena. His first formal travel in ministry was under the care of Pacific Yearly Meeting. In 1982, with a minute from Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting endorsed by the Yearly Meeting, he took part in a cross-continental bicycle peace pilgrimage called the “Peace Peddlers.” Six west coast adult young Friends (four from Pacific Yearly Meeting), all in their 20s, rode from San Francisco to Washington DC (also touching Mexico and Canada), listening to the American people for the spiritual grounding that would lead to nuclear disarmament. Most recently he and his wife, Minga, have been called to New England to serve the Friends Meeting at Cambridge as Resident Friends. From 1991 to 2013 he was the lead staff person for New England Yearly Meeting.