

# Pacific Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice Revision Committee Report to Annual Session 2020

The Faith and Practice Revision Committee met once in person in the Fall and the rest of the time by conference call or Zoom. Friends will recall that the revision of the Faith and Practice is now being called a “rolling revision” and as we finalize sections we will be posting them on the website. This year the only draft we have circulated to Meetings to provide feedback is on Death in the Meeting. The Committee is currently receiving responses on this draft. We did not attempt to circulate multiple drafts because we expected other documents to be coming from Quarterly Meetings, particularly on the issue of climate change. However the COVID-19 Pandemic has slowed everything down and made it difficult for all of us to multi-task. That has now been compounded by the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis and the long over-due attention being paid to systemic racism in the U.S. Responses to the draft are starting to come in to our committee. We look forward to hearing from you.

We are excited to announce that as sections of the revision are finalized we expect to post them on the website in both English and Spanish. In the past *Fey Y Practica* was published as a separate volume and was difficult to obtain. As PacYM moves more intentionally into its identity as a bi-lingual gathering, we hope to reinforce that with our rolling revision.

**What is Still on Our Plate:** We have three draft revisions which were circulated last year on Reaching Out, Leadings, and the Youth Programs Coordinator description. These are still being finalized and we hope will be posted in the coming months.

The Committee will be sponsoring one interest group this year: Walking in the Light of Screens: Worship, Discernment & Community Online that will explore lessons learned and experimentation with cyber-space as a way to worship, conduct business, and connect Friends in spiritual spaces. What are the possibilities and concerns about the use of technology? It will be jointly presented by F&P Revision, Mary Klein, editor of Western Friends, and the Communications Committee. It is scheduled for the Sunday evening interest group time. Hope you can join us.

The Faith and Practice Revision Committee is made up of Sue Scott, Margaret Mossman, Patricia Portillo, Sarah Tyrell, Ray Rischpater, Jan Tappan (ex-officio as archivist), and Carl Magruder and Laura Magnani, co-clerks.