

Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) Representative Report to Annual Session 2022 Pacific Yearly Meeting

I have learned so much since becoming a QEW Rep and greatly appreciate this opportunity.

Quaker Earthcare Witness offers an abundance of resources for individuals and Meetings: for instance, an adult study guide, children's curriculum, pamphlets on many earthcare issues, a quarterly newsletter ("Befriending Creation"), and workshop speakers on a variety of topics,* . More can be learned about these rich offerings via the QEW website, <https://quakerearthcare.org/>.

* The following may give a better feeling for the many topics offered by QEW speakers, who can lead monthly Meeting and other discussions: environmental justice, biodiversity, regenerative agriculture, building heart muscles to do earthcare work, Quaker testimonies, economic roots of the climate emergency, population and family planning issues, and more.

Also, as a PacYM QEW rep, it has been a joy to meet, at its Steering Committee fall and spring meetings, the many enthusiastic, talented people involved with QEW. QEW offers individuals an opportunity to focus on parts of the earthcare work that fit them best. I've been active with the QEW Friends Committee on National Legislation Working Group, and it has been a relief to find a place to focus conservation policy-oriented energy. Other QEW working groups include those centered on Population, the United Nations, Direct Action, and Mini-grants (which helps fund Friends groups doing earthcare work).

Monthly, Quarterly, and Yearly Meetings have all these and additional resources available to them! The very helpful QEW staff can talk with individuals and Meetings to determine what best fits their needs.

Thank you again for this opportunity.

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