

Elmbank Events

January 2025

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Meetings for Worship are held by Zoom and in the Meeting House at 11.00 and by Zoom and in the Meeting House on Wednesdays at 12.30. See below for more information and links.

2025

January

Wed 1 January	12.30 Meeting for Worship by Zoom only
Sun 5 January	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 13.00 Local Meeting for Business
Mon 6 January	5.15 Monday Quaker Community 7.30 Young Friends Epilogue – see below
Tues 7 January	Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 8 January	12.30 Meeting for Worship by Zoom and in the Meeting House 2.00 Experiment with Light
Sun 12 January	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom
Mon 13 January	5.15 Monday Quaker Community
Tues 14 January	Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 15 January	12.30 Meeting for Worship by Zoom and in the Meeting House 2.00 Experiment with Light
Sun 19 January	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom
Mon 20 January	5.15 Monday Quaker Community 7.30 Young Friends Epilogue – see below
Tues 21 January	Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 22 January	12.30 Meeting for Worship by Zoom and in the Meeting House 2.00 Experiment with Light
Fri 24 January	Quaker walk – see below

Sun 26 January 11.00 Meeting for Worship In the Meeting House and by Zoom
Mon 27 January 5.15 Monday Quaker Community
Tues 28 January Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 29 January 12.30 Meeting for Worship by Zoom and in the Meeting House
2.00 Experiment with Light

QUAKER BUSINESS MEETINGS

The next Local Meeting for Business is on Sunday 5 January at 1pm in the Meeting House. Lunch will be provided beforehand for those attending.

West Scotland Area Meeting will be held in Glasgow Meeting House on Saturday 18 January.

Details of these meetings will be circulated nearer the time.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUAKERS

On **Saturday 15 February 2025** in Glasgow Meeting House, and blended across the Area Meeting, Ben Pink Dandelion speaking on 'Essentials of Quakerism'. This is a day organised by Woodbrooke, the Quaker Study Centre.

On Saturday **22 March 2025**, also in Glasgow Meeting House and blended, the Kindlers will run a day on the topic of 'What Does Love Require of Us?: Quaker promptings towards love in action'. The Kindlers are a Quaker group; they have produced a booklet based on this topic.

Then on Saturday 12th April the Kindlers will run a further session on 'Listening'

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT RETREAT

1 February

An all day event will take place in the meeting house on 1st February. Places are limited by the nature of the event so please respond soon to Margaret Roy at margaret.roy@btinternet.com.

The Experiment with Light is a Quaker recognised organisation using the words of George Fox to lead us deeper into experience of the light. Rex Ambler construed it after studying what it was that inspired such deep commitment from early Friends. On the retreat we will have four sessions of meditation followed in each case by creative listening in small groups of 3. It is an opportunity to spent the day in reflection on a Quaker theme.

There will be no cost on the day except for a donation towards a simple lunch and towards heating of the meeting house.

QUAKER WALKS

The next date is **Friday 24 January**.

The destination is yet to be decided. If you have ideas please contact Daphne.

Future dates are likely to be Saturdays 1 and 29 March.

If you would like to join this walk or wish to be added to the mailing list, please contact Daphne Wassermann - daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com

REFUWEEGEEES

Refuweegees are moving to new premises so Mary Cox will not be collecting egg boxes or other donations until they are settled.

REGULAR QUAKER MEETINGS

Meeting for Worship

Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30

In person and on Zoom.

Zoom

Meetings continue by Zoom on Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30.

The links are listed below and details will also be sent out with the Zoom reminder.

Note that you are encouraged to stay on the Zoom after the meeting has finished to chat to each other. The host will mute the Meeting Room and turn the video off so you aren't distracted by those in the Meeting House.

Sundays (except 5th Sundays)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89368343115?pwd=YitDVmYvTm5EcHBVQjZvbE42Y2ltZz09>

Meeting ID: 893 6834 3115

Passcode: 804071

Wednesdays

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88247219711?pwd=U24RIWuWWwOM7mfDHmFXM6x8DBFaso.1>

Meeting ID: 882 4721 9711

Passcode: 259401

5th Sundays

Local Meeting agreed that on the 5th Sundays there will be no blended meeting in Glasgow and Meeting for Worship will be in the Meeting House only.

If you would like to join a Meeting by Zoom you are welcome to join Friends in Milngavie Meeting with the following links.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7462365700?pwd=S005RkJKYkQ0eDUzd3RmNGU4L05hdz09>

Meeting ID: 746 236 5700

Passcode: 086276

Monday Quaker Community

We meet by Zoom only, from 5.15 to 6pm. From 5.15 to 5.40 we share something of what is happening in our lives, from 5.40 to 6pm we have Meeting for Worship, and during that time we may hold friends known to us in the Light. All are welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82940579290?pwd=BtxJ1ol51dNYtmKX25r87PeoljEbMU.1>

Meeting ID: 829 4057 9290

Passcode: 214455

To join the mailing list, please contact Sheila Semple at Sheila.semple@btinternet.com

Time for Stillness

Every Tuesday, 8.00 to 8.30am

A reminder that Time for Stillness (T4S) is every Tuesday morning 7.50am for an 8am start. It is a lovely way to start your day, gathering with Friends in Stillness.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88234938362?pwd=sy9Pa9GevLFHTTxTlkpb0gfwvxjC5y.1>

Meeting ID: 882 3493 8362

Passcode: 916844

Deepening Spirituality

Early morning meeting at 10am on 5 and 19 January.

We meet on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10am for a silent half hour then chat and discuss.

Open to all.

Any queries contact Margaret Roy.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7613798296?pwd=enZDWS9iRHNHUIIZR2dBb3N2YjBoZz09>

Meeting ID: 761 379 8296

Passcode: EwLWed

Young Friends Monday Night Epilogues

6 and 20 January

Aged teen to 35ish? Please join us in person on alternate Mondays from 6pm in the Meeting House, Elizabeth Fry room, for a potluck or bring and share dinner. Please no nuts due to allergies. Followed by a worship in person and online at 7:30pm - 8:00pm.

Otherwise join us at 7:30-8:00pm in person at the Meeting House and online for our regular, fortnightly epilogue worship.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88133736587?pwd=dFZGNXpaSFhhUis4Ti8vcGJiYIVEQT09>

Meeting ID: 881 3373 6587 Passcode: 623455

Organising WhatsApp group for this community:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KjASIZWGm0xJ8SK7oDvz10>

Experiment with light

Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86968437459?pwd=FVJVsdR3wvzscJo4FUlIXrmoAwkeXa.1>

Meeting ID: 869 6843 7459

Passcode: 881765

Note that the link has changed from the previous one.

Quakers in Europe Prayer Group

Saturdays 08:30 to 9.30 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88555071012?pwd=WWRYT1Z0U1ZtMitvRnlyY0FwYVU3QT09>

Meeting ID: 885 5507 1012

Passcode: 421947

For further information contact Mary Troup, marytroup2001@gmail.com or 07776146265

Sunday evening Area Meeting for Worship (Zoom only)

The meeting is open from 7.15pm to give time to say hello and settle in. The worship starts at 7.30pm for half an hour after which there is time for chat.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85320172452?pwd=Y21aXNuHocwL3LOZb4CmPHR9i87wXe.1>

Meeting ID: 853 2017 2452

Passcode: 563890

If anyone has any difficulties please call Kate Gulliver on her mobile 07596 725387.

COLLECTIONS

We are grateful to those Friends who have been able to make donations to Glasgow Meeting funds by bank transfer. For anyone who would like to do this, the details are: Glasgow Quaker Meeting, Sort code: 80-07-24, Account number 00384645. Please be sure to use the Reference: Donation.

Now that the Meeting House is open, collections can also be made in person.

Special Collections

The **Special Collection** on 26 January is for Barlinnie Playstation and will be introduced by Kate Philbrick.

The Playstation is a charity that supports children who are visiting Barlinnie Prison in Glasgow - and offers advocacy on behalf of those children to ensure that their needs are met. Members of Glasgow Quaker Meeting have been involved since Sarah brown started the scheme 37 years or so ago.

THE CHILDREN WHO VISIT

Thousands of children visit family members in Barlinnie every year – some come only once, others we get to know over many months. Growing up when someone in your family is in prison presents huge challenges; visiting them can be stressful and even frightening. The calm, playful atmosphere in The Playstation play area can help to make visiting as happy and family-friendly as it can be. Many carers say they would not bring the children if we were not there. Children need relationships with their fathers and other significant adults in their lives.

WHAT WE OFFER

The Playstation provides a welcoming space in the ordinary prison visits room where children can play and relax, supported by a team of trained play volunteers and two members of staff, who all work

to ensure that every child's experience is positive. The play area also offers an opportunity for the children to meet others in a similar situation - something that might not be possible otherwise.

Here are stories of three children who have visited :

1. A 2 year old (who has diagnosed Autism) who has been visiting his Dad for almost 6 months, struggles in the large room and runs around the room going to other tables grabbing things off tables. Over the last few months the Playstation staff have worked with him, finding his likes and dislikes, and play workers now provide multi-sensory toys, one to one time for him, with bubbles to let him know it's almost time to go home. We have also worked with prison staff to ensure he always has a table near the play area. After Playstation involvement, he started having visits in a Family visit room visit to allow interaction with his dad

2. A 3-year-old has been coming with her Nan for 3 months to visit Dad; she took a long time to trust the staff and would only interact with Nan, either upset or shy but wanted toys and to play. She now comes in as she is reassured that she can return to Nan and Dad at any time. Now she comes over to join us and the other child visitors. She also comes with Mum (without Nan), and she talks about the activities she does with us and spends all her time with us "Mum shout Dad" "me play ". Mum says she only visits once a week to keep the relationship between father and daughter alive. It makes a huge difference to the child that she comes both with Nan and Mum, that she now interacts with the play area, and her visits are less frustrating.

3. A boy aged 10 whose Dad was on remand for over a year, visited regularly 4 times a week. Now Dad is convicted the boy struggles with the little time he sees his Dad (once a week) and coming to terms with this impact on the whole family. We worked closely with him and succeeded in getting him some more outside support to help with these issues through our partner agencies.



Last year we put money from the Quaker appeal towards decorating the staircase where children and other visitors wait to come up to visits to make it more interesting and safe- feeling for children.

That's been a success - this year the funding climate is much much harder -any money you can give will help to keep us going.

Please give through the donate button on <https://www.theplaystationbarlinnie.com/>

The Playstation is a project run by Toybox Lee Avenue SCO2 2669

USEFUL INFORMATION

Generic email addresses

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Elders@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Children@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Treasurer@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Property@glasgowquakers.org.uk.
Librarian@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Roomhire@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Hospitality@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Communications@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Nominations@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Glasgowquakers.climatecafe@gmail.com
Safeguarding@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Safety@glasgowquakers.org.uk

Committee minutes and documents

The link is as follows

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1yacRe0kYhXxw7czWwyCJeocMZFg7VnV>

Committees are encouraged to upload their minutes, remits and any other useful documents. If a committee clerk wants access, please contact Charlotte Wright.

Social media

X - @GlasgowQuakers Elmbank38

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GlasgowQuakers>

Young Friends Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/684886601939198>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/glasgowquakers>

Website - <https://www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow>

There is also a Young Friends WhatsApp group. To join contact Georgia Campbell.

Zoom bookings

Friends who need to book meetings on our Zoom account will be given the login details. They will be able to see what other meetings have been booked. At present this information is not accessible more generally.

Note that only one meeting can take place at a time so **please check the Meetings tab before booking your meeting** to ensure that there is no clash.

Events in the Meeting House

All bookings and events can be found at

<https://teamup.com/ksshsgwcfaxdb49gf>

Other newsletters and websites

West Scotland Quaker News and more information on our Area Meeting are available at www.quakerscotland.org/west

Scotland General Meeting

Scottish Friend newsletter is online at <http://www.quakerscotland.org/general-meeting>

All the Britain Yearly Meeting newsletters can be accessed at quaker.org.uk/newsletters

Glasgow Local Meeting website is now part of the General Meeting website.
www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow

Keeping in touch

If you want to be on the Meeting email distribution list please contact Clive Potter, glasgowquakeremails@icloud.com.

<p>Please send items for Febuary "Elmbank Events" by Thursday 23 January to Daphne Wassermann 0141 357 0396 daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com</p>
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Glasgow Quaker Meeting Rotas: January 2025

	Sunday 5th	Sunday 12 th	Sunday 19 th	Sunday 26 th
Clerk (for notices)	Martin Mansell	Joyce Taylor	Ruth Wilkinson	Joyce Taylor
Elders in the Meeting House and welcoming after Meeting	Rosemary Morgan and David Thomas <i>Local Meeting:</i> Daphne Wassermann	Sheila Semple and Daphne Wassermann (A&Q)	Leilani Rabemananjara and Rosemary Morgan	Leilani Rabemananjara and Sheila Semple
Zoom host in the Meeting House	Daphne Wassermann and LM	David Garfield (tbc)	Charlotte Wright	Martin Mansell
Warden	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc
Doorkeeper	Jenny Copsey	Janey Andrews	Layla Alroomi	Charlotte Wright
Welcoming Friend downstairs and pastoral care	Mary Alice Mansell	Mary Cox	Ren Clark	Alastair Trainor
Tea/coffee	Mary Cox	Mike Nellis	Ben Blain and Donald Water	Elspeth McCue
Hospitality	LM – Diane Scott, Helen Minnis, Paul Lynch		Saturday 18 th , Area Meeting – Paul Lynch, Mary Alice Mansell	
Children's Meeting lead	Mary Troup	Paul Lynch	Mary Troup	Mary Troup
Children's Meeting helper	Paul Lynch	Mary Troup	Kath Allan	tba

Wednesday Meetings for Worship

Meetings are held every Wednesday in the Meeting House and by Zoom.

There is no longer a designated host as this meeting is quite small.

Anyone can join using the link circulated.