

Piedmont Friends Fellowship and Yearly Meeting

Piedmont Friends Fellowship and Yearly Meeting are aware of individual meetings who have issued statements on anti-racism, including Upstate Friends Worship Group and Raleigh Friends Meeting. The Raleigh Friends Meeting [Minute on Becoming an Anti-racist Faith Community](#) has been shared with all PFF member meetings. The PFF representatives body has invited PFYM interim meeting to work with us on creating a joint statement in the hope that both bodies can adopt this at our PFF and PFYM annual meetings.

The PFF representatives body also noted that the [PFYM Handbook](#) has the following statement on inclusiveness:

“INCLUSIVENESS – Recognizing that inclusiveness enriches our spiritual lives, the Yearly Meeting welcomes and affirms individuals, monthly meetings, and worship groups from a wide variety of social and theological backgrounds and experiences.

Rather than prescribing any creed, the Yearly Meeting encourages individuals to become part of the corporate experience of Quaker faith and practice. The authenticity of the experience is based on inclusiveness, which in the 21st century, welcomes individuals and families from a wide range of religious traditions and practices and is affirming of diverse genders, ethnicities, racial identification, sexual orientations, ages, and beliefs. The Yearly Meeting is composed of monthly meetings with various modes of Quaker worship, understanding that there are multiple legitimate ways to seek and experience the spirit.”

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