



# 2010 Mid-Year Gathering

March 12-13, 2010

New Hope Friends Meeting

Goldsboro, NC

*"Practicing Peace"*



*Guest Speakers: David Wolfe and Linda Kusse-Wolfe*

David E. Wolfe and Linda E. Kusse-Wolfe are recorded Friends (Quaker) ministers and have served in various ministry contexts since graduation from the Earlham School of Religion in 1978. They recently served a term of service with the Mennonite Central Committee in Qom, Iran. Linda is presently Assistant Pastor at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Danville, Virginia. David is Interim Pastor at Antioch Church of the Brethren in Franklin County Virginia. Linda has served in four denominations as Pastor, Minister of Christian Education, Campus Minister, and Assistant Pastor. From 1997 to 2006, she served at First United Methodist Church of Martinsville, Virginia. In addition to pastoral ministry, Linda has experience as a case worker with battered women. Her vocational interests include interfaith dialogue and prison ministry.

David has served as a pastor in both the Religious Society of Friends and Church of the Brethren. He has served as Director of Pastoral Care in hospital settings in Salem and Martinsville, Virginia for nearly two decades. Both see their ministry as being one of reconciliation among people of different races, classes and cultures. This brought them to accept the position of service with MCC in their Muslim/Christian Exchange Program. They lived in Qom, Iran and studied Farsi and Islamic philosophy and culture, fellowshipped among Armenian Christians and developed friendships with a wide group of Iranians in order to understand the culture and traditions.

David and Linda have three grown children all in their twenties. Their oldest, a daughter Abigail, lives in Denver, Colorado where she is working on an advanced degree in international disaster psychology. Their oldest son, Josh, is working on his undergraduate degree. Andrew, after graduation from college, will be teaching English at Metodista Colegio Ingles in Iquique, Chile.

In 2008, David and Linda returned to the US after a year and a half of studying and lecturing in Iran. They traveled in the summers of 2007 and 2008 where they shared their story in churches and college. They see their work as that of seeking to enhance dialogue and understanding among people.

**COST: \$ 30 per Adult - Full Conference**  
**\$ 10 per Adult - Friday Only**  
**\$ 25 per Adult - Saturday Only**  
**Includes Registration Fee and Meals.**  
**Lodging not included.**

## FREE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Programming will be provided for all elementary school age children and nursery care for preschool children and infants.

Please be sure to register your children in the space provided on the registration form.

### **FOR YOUNG FRIENDS REGISTRATION:**

**Separate forms and information are enclosed. Please visit our website at [www.ncym-fum.org](http://www.ncym-fum.org) or call 336-292-6957 / 800-371-8896 if you have questions.**

# Agenda for 2010 Mid-Year Gathering

If transportation is needed, call the NCYM Office.. 336-292-6957.

## Friday Afternoon and Evening, March 12<sup>th</sup>

- 1:00 p.m. – Registration and Refreshments
- 1:30 – Committee Meetings \*
- 3:00 – Break and Refreshments
- 3:30 – Representative Body Meeting
- 6:30 – Supper
- 7:30 – Worship - David and Linda Kusse-Wolfe

## Saturday After and Evening, March 13<sup>th</sup>

- 12:00 p.m. – Lunch
- 1:00 – Representative Body Meeting
- 2:30 – Break
- 2:45 – Workshops\*\* and Tours\*\*\*
- 4:00 – Break
- 4:15 – Workshops\*\*
- 6:00 – Dinner
- 7:00 – Worship - David and Linda Kusse-Wolfe

## Saturday Morning, March 13<sup>th</sup>

- 8:30 a.m. – Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 – Worship - David and Linda Kusse-Wolfe
- 10:15 – Break and Refreshments
- 10:30 – Representative Body Meeting

## Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

Worship with local Friends Meeting of your choice.

**\*NOTE TO NCYM COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS\***

If you wish to schedule a meeting of your committee on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m., please call the NCYM Office (336-292-6957) so that we may notify New Hope Friends Meeting to reserve space for you. We will also be glad to send postcards as requested.

**LODGING INFORMATION**

**Room Reservations**

**Deadline February 28, 2010**

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Comfort Suites, 2613 N. Park Drive, Goldsboro, NC. You must make your own reservations. Reservations may be made by contacting Comfort Suites at 919-759-0098. A special rate of \$80.96 + tax per room is available to our Mid-Year Gathering attendees. Ask for rooms reserved by North Carolina Yearly Meeting Mid-Year Conference to receive this special rate. DIRECTIONS: Hwy 70 East, exit Spence Avenue, left turn to N. Park Drive.

**\*\*TENTATIVE WORKSHOPS\*\***

Mediation Skills

Daniel Thames and Tom Barton

Where Christ Presides:

A Quaker Perspective on Moral Discernment

Jack Ciancio

Christian Peacemaking Team

David Wolfe and Linda Kusse-Wolfe

**\*\*\*TOURS\*\*\***

Tour to Waynesborough Historical Village  
Other tours may be announced.

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Mid-Year Gathering 2010 - Hosted By New Hope Friends Meeting**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home) (Cell) (Work)

**ADULT COST PER PERSON - Registration Deadline: March 5, 2010**

- \$ 30  FULL CONFERENCE (Friday and Saturday, includes all meals & Registration Fee)
- \$ 10  FRIDAY ONLY (Includes Friday Dinner & Registration Fee)
- \$ 25  SATURDAY ONLY (Includes all meals on Saturday & Registration Fee)

**CHILDREN'S REGISTRATION:**

**NAMES**

**BIRTH DATE:**

**Circle One**

**CHILDREN FREE**

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Conference			M	F
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Only			M	F
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Only			M	F

(Mon.) (Day) (Year)

Please make checks payable to NCYM designated for Mid-Year Gathering and mail with Registration Form to: 4811 Hilltop Road, Greensboro, NC 27407. Additional forms may be obtained from our website: [www.ncym-fum.org](http://www.ncym-fum.org)

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENT**

VISA  MASTERCARD ACCOUNT # \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cardholder's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CVC # \_\_\_\_\_ (3 digit) Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Signature