

BEN LOMOND QUAKER CENTER invites you to:



Why Be A Quaker? *facilitated by Sally Kingsland and Diego Navarro* November 16 - 18, 2018

“Our adequacy is from God, who made us adequate to be servants of a new covenant not based on the letter but on the Spirit, for the letter kills but the Spirit gives life.”

2 Cor 3:6

The Quaker faith emphasizes a direct connection to God instead of scripture and church tradition. We believe in ongoing Divine revelation based on our experience of the Spirit working in our lives. Early Friends railed against empty forms and sought to strip away anything except the direct connection to God.

We hope you will join us to consider the following:

- ◆ Do we long to be a deeply seeking spiritual community with a commitment to self-revelation, inner transformation and outward behavior change, to live in the power of the Spirit?
- ◆ What might we do to better support each other to undertake an intentional spiritual path, examining our lives in community and committing to following our Inward Teacher at any cost?
- ◆ What do we need to understand about the “faith” and “practice” that we inherited in order to live in the power and life of the Spirit?

We are eager to explore together the potential of the Quaker faith tradition and the promise it holds. We will worship, discuss and play in small and large groups to see what we can say today.

We invite you to experience this workshop as a retreat and plan ahead to minimize external distractions during our time together. We also encourage registrants to prepare by reading and watching the pre-workshop materials, which will be sent in advance by email.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM FACILITATORS:

Sally Kingsland and Diego Navarro have spent the past three years exploring together the question ‘what does it mean to be a Quaker?’ We each thirst to worship and be in community with a priesthood of Friends whose lives are moment by moment directed by Spirit. Diego’s early experiences as a Junior and Young Friend became the foundation of his current ministry of spiritual formation for underprivileged students in community colleges. Sally leads a life of prayer and service, including as a spiritual companion. The leadership team for this workshop includes Katherine Youngmeister and Gordon Bishop serving as elders.



Registration for: **WHY BE A QUAKER?**

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

I/we plan to pay \$ _____/person on the \$160 - \$240/person sliding scale. (More below)

Medical or ethical dietary restrictions: _____

Accommodation or mobility concerns: _____

----- Detach Here and Return -----

Check-in is from 4 PM to 6 PM. Dinner is served at 6 PM and the first program session will begin at 7:30pm. You may expect to depart by 12:30 PM on Sunday after closing worship. We no longer require a deposit with your registration. We trust that you will "let your yab be yay" and you'll participate in this program if you register. If you absolutely must cancel, please do so at least two days in advance. Otherwise we will request \$50 payment for the food the cook has already purchased for you.

✓ **A NOTE ABOUT OUR SLIDING SCALE:**

- ☐ **Comprehensive rate:** The top of our scale covers all our costs. **(\$240/person).**
- ☐ **Standard rate:** We hope most people will pay at least this amount. **(\$200/person)**
- ☐ **Special reduced rate:** The bottom to our scale **(\$160/person).**

No one will be refused from our programs due to lack of funds. Please call or email us for financial aid.

- ✓ **CHILDCARE:** Quaker Center will offer at no charge *if the Directors receive at least two weeks advance notice.* Without advance notice, you may be able to bring your child if the program leader(s) approve their attendance during program sessions. We request \$50 per child to cover the cost of meals.
- ✓ **ACCOMMODATIONS, THINGS TO BRING, AND FOOD:** Sleeping accommodations will be in the Orchard Lodge in semi-private rooms. **Bring a sleeping bag or sheets, pillowcase, towel, and toiletries.** Please do not wear or bring strongly scented toiletries. All meals at Quaker Center are vegetarian. We ask all participants to take turns working together on meal prep, dish crew, and cleaning at the end of the program. **Please tell us if you must leave early** so that we can make sure you get signed up for a final clean up task that can be done early.
- ✓ **PLEASE DO NOT BRING PETS.** Only service dogs trained to perform a specific task to palliate the disability of the dog's handler may accompany guests. **Please call Quaker Center in advance if you need to bring your service dog.**
- ✓ **TRANSPORTATION:** For directions, please see our website, www.quakercenter.org/directions/. If you are arriving by bus, let us know at least a day in advance if you need a shuttle and we will pick you up from the Main Street stop in Ben Lomond. **If you need to change your pick-up time., call the Quaker Center cell phone: 831-212-2631**

DRIVING DISTANCES FROM:

- Los Angeles: 365 miles, 6.5 hours
- Sacramento: 150 miles, 2 hours, 45 minutes
- San Francisco: 90 miles, 2 hrs and 15 minutes
- San Jose Intl Airport: 35 miles, 50 minutes
- Santa Cruz, 12 miles, 25 minutes

TO: 1000 Hubbard Gulch Road

PUBLIC TRANSIT:

- **Amtrak:** Take the train to the San Jose Diridon Station
- **From the San Jose Diridon Station:** Take the 17 Express bus to the Cavallaro Transit Station in Scotts Valley.
- **From the Scotts Valley or Santa Cruz:** Take the 35 or 35A bus to Ben Lomond.
- **In Ben Lomond:** Get off at Highway 9 and Main Street and walk or call for a ride.

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