

GRASS VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING

Of the Religious Society of Friends College Park Quarterly Meeting, Pacific Yearly Meeting

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First Days: 9:00am Singing at the Meeting House (zoom) 10:00 am Silent Meeting for Worship (in-person and zoom) To receive the zoom link, grassvalleyfriends@gmail.com.

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ANNOUNCEMENT: Grass Valley Friends Meeting is now offering in-person Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House with zoom access. Our Children's Program is in-person. This Friends Meeting follows covid protocols set by Western Nevada County Public Health.

MEETING CALENDAR

First Sunday

- Program to be announced *Second Sunday*
 - Hybrid Silent Meeting for Worship Meeting and for Worship on the Occasion of Business

Third Sunday

As announced

Fourth Sunday

Spiritual Life – See page 5.

Fifth Sunday

• On Fifth Sundays we hold a Family Meeting for Worship. *Children and adults gather and spend 20 minutes in storytelling, 20 minutes in singing and 20 minutes in silent worship.*

1st First Day: Bible Story and Song

♣ 2nd First Day: A Story and a Craft or Activity

♣ 3rd First Day: A Story plus Time for Silent Worship

4th First Day: A Creative, Topical Curriculum

↓ 5th First Day: Family Worship (a story, singing and silent worship)

↓ Online Worship: every Wednesday evening, 7:00-7:30 pm

HAPPENING NOW

• March 27, 2022, 11:15a.m.: Quakerism in France led by Amy and Chamba Cooke

HAPPENING LATER

- April 11th-April 21, 2022: Early Registration, Friends General Conference.
- April 24, 2022, 11:15a.m.: *Our relationship with the Nisenan* led by Dorothy Henderson
- April 29, 2022: Standard Registration, Friends General Conference
- May 22, 2022, 11:15a.m.: Forgiveness led by Gordon Starr
- June 26, 2022, 11:15a.m.: *The Doctrine of Discovery* led by Dianne Marshall
- July 3-9, 2022, Friends General Conference, Radford University, Radford, VA
- July 22-27, 2022, Pacific Yearly Meeting Annual Session 2022. A decision will be made at RepCom whether it will be all online or there will be an in-person component. Theme: *Beloved Community: What Does It Mean to Belong: to Ourselves, to Each Other, to the Earth?*

GLOSSARY- Abbreviations and terms used in the GVFM newsletter

SFC: Sierra Friends Center
M&O: Ministry and Oversight
PacYM: Pacific Yearly Meeting
PHP – Pendle Hill Pamphlet
FGC: Friends General Conference

QUNP: Quaker United Nations Project

FASE: Friends Association for Services to the Elderly

CPQM: College Park Quarterly Meeting **RSWR:** Right Sharing of World Resources

Threshing Session: A meeting at a separate time that is specifically not for decision-making; normal practices of a Quaker meeting for business are relaxed so that Friends may speak more than once to an issue, may speak to a point just made, or may ask a question of a previous speaker.

Query: The Friends practice of examining our souls and seeking clarity. These questions and exercises help to give time to seek truth about ourselves and our spiritual condition and to tap into Divine insight. Queries guide us in listening for God's voice in our lives. They are not intended to provide mystical experiences of God, though that may occur."

J. Brent Bill, Holy Silence; the Gift of Quaker Spirituality

MINUTES & RECORD: Meeting for Worship on the Occasion of Business – Third Month, 2022

DRAFT MINUTES & RECORD

We met as a hybrid Meeting, in-person and on Zoom.

Present: Dean Olson (co-clerk), Heather Reed, Dianne Marshall, Matt Davis, Mihai, Reed Hamilton, Judy Hamilton, Kathy McCreery, Cheryl Hendrickson, Dorothy Henderson, Doug Hamm & fosten wilson.

The Meeting opened with silent worship.

Action Items and Seasoning for April:

- Representative for SFC: delegated to the Stewardship Committee for further discernment.
- Spirit & Witness to advise on vaccination & mask requirements
- Correct & approve the Draft Minutes & Record from 3-13-2022.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SPIRIT & WITNESS: Judy Hamilton read the report (attached below). The report includes "we feel it is time to announce that we are now a HYBRID meeting." After discussion the following Minute was approved.

Minute 2022.03.01: Grass Valley Friends Meeting has for several months tested & now implements a hybrid Meeting for Worship, combining both in-person gatherings in our Meeting House and participants on Zoom. And our Childrens' Program is in-person.

STEWARDSHIP: The full Stewardship Committee Report is safe-at-home but unavailable today.

Dianne reported that our library has reopened, after a two-year pandemic closure, and a lot of volunteer work. Reminder notes have gone out asking for return of overdue books.

Fosten gave a summary of February finances. We spent a bit more than the contributions received in February but not enough difference to be a problem.

WELCOME: Kathy advised that the committee will put notices in the Grass Valley Union that we are now meeting for worship in-person and via Zoom. She has gathered more of the signed waiver forms that Sierra Friends Center requires.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: There were *four children* and two adults today!! Dorothy advised that more adults have volunteered, allowing for a Children's Program on each Sunday.

Meeting In-person & with Zoom: A spontaneous discussion happened, ranging from "so beautiful to meet in-person" to "seeing more of the faces on Zoom builds community". Heather Reed commented that since some of us live in Santa Rosa, France, & other distant places . . . Zoom really helps. Matt Davis reported that he would prefer to be in-person but is on Zoom because of the vaccination & mask requirement. Is this our requirement? Sierra Friends Center's? Nevada County Health Department's? And when might this change? Spirit & Witness Committee will report back on this in April.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Paul Hartsough** is recovering from a serious stroke. Hold him in your heart. He is home now but can not communicate well. For updates, search for his name at "www.caringbridge.org".
- Chamba invited us to the Annual Assembly at Congenies, France at the end of October.
- Nancy Anderson needs support with Tristan on Mondays 4pm 8 pm. Please contact her if you can help.
- If you use Facebook, follow the Grass Valley Friends Meeting page, or join the Facebook Grass Valley Friends Meeting group. If you share a post from the page, your friends will see it! It helps our visibility. Follow this <u>link</u>.

- It's easy to give to Grass Valley Friends Meeting! Go to <u>gvfriends.org</u> and click on the Give button. This takes you to a secure site for donations. Please consider making your contribution monthly. Your contribution covers our Pacific Yearly Meeting dues and ensures that our activities as a Meeting are sustained. Thank you.
 - Tithely now allows the user to change the dollar of their gift without making a new donation request.
 - Interfaith Nevada County may be taking part in the March for Peace and Social Justice on May 22, 2022, with some modifications pending. See the newsletter confirmation and details!
 - Sierra Friends Center has volunteer opportunities available. Dean volunteered & reports it was well organized & fun, a lot of fun! See www.woolman.org.

The Meeting closed with silent worship.

Respectfully submitted, fosten wilson, acting recording clerk.

Third Month Queries and Advices: Meeting for Worship

The heart of the Religious Society of Friends is the Meeting for Worship. In direct communion with God, we offer ourselves for God's will. Our daily lives are linked with the Meeting for Worship, the Meeting for Worship with our daily lives.

Come regularly to Meeting for Worship, even when you are angry, tired, or spiritually cold. Bring your joys and your hurts, and the needs of other people. Accept and support each other in the community where God dwells among us. As you do so, you may find the grace of prayer.

At times the Spirit may prompt you to speak in Meeting. Wait patiently to know that the sense and the time are right. When you are sure, have confidence that the words will be given to you. Listen to the ministry of others with an open spirit. If it is not God's word for you, it may be for others. After a message has been given, allow time to ponder its meaning and to let the Meeting return to silent worship. In speech and in silence, each person contributes to the Meeting.

- *Do I come to Meeting with heart and mind prepared for worship?*
- In both silent and vocal ministry, do I respond to the leadings of the Holy Spirit, without prearrangement and in simplicity and truth?
- Am I careful not to speak at undue length or beyond personal spiritual experience?
- Do we meet in expectant waiting for the promptings of the Divine Spirit?
- Are we drawn together in a living silence by the power of God in our midst?

PEACE LIBRARIES provided by Susan Hopkins

Sparklers, the FGC Working Group that published *Sparkling Still* in 2013, is currently working with other Quakers on projects building Peace Libraries and literacy programs in Rwanda, Nepal, Indonesia and Central America. We select and trade picture books reflecting Quaker values and also work with electronic books to make literacy accessible in remote locations. In addition, training sessions are organized to help teachers and librarians implement the literacy project.

www. <u>friendspeaceteams.org</u>, **Choose** "Our Work" dropdown, **choose** Friendly Book Collaborative, **choose** Friends Peace Libraries

From Pacific Yearly Meeting

The dates for **Annual Session 2022** will be July 22–27, 2022. See below.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Annual Session 2022 (AS 2022) will take place July 22-27, 2022. A decision will be made at RepCom whether it will be all online or there will be an in-person component. Theme: *Beloved Community: What Does It Mean to Belong: to Ourselves, to Each Other, to the Earth?*
- Online Worship: every <u>Wednesday evening</u>, 7:00-7:30 pm sponsored by the Eldering Subcommittee of PacYM Ministry Committee.
- Braiding Sweetgrass Worship Group: 1st Mondays @7:00 pm. More information here.
- Many other opportunities for online Quaker worship are <u>listed at westernfriend.org</u>.
- See the <u>PYM CALENDAR PAGE</u> for additional PYM-related **EVENTS**, including *youth and intergenerational events*.

Safety in Meetings by Don McCormick

The theme for the current issue of *Friends Journal* is "Safety in Meetings." Don McCormick wrote an article that appears in this issue "Safe Meetings Don't Avoid Conflict." If you are interested in reading the article, you can find it at https://www.friendsjournal.org/safe-meetings-dont-avoid-conflict/

Don points out that psychological safety is particularly important in Quaker meetings. In part because, to say out loud things that are close to our soul makes us vulnerable, and we need to be able to share these in meetings for worship, business meetings, and clearness committees without fear of being attacked or excluded. If we don't speak because we don't feel safe enough to share what the Spirit calls us to say, Quakerism falls apart. Don positions that although some people see conflict as destructive, he has seen that a meeting can grow and become healthier if it doesn't avoid conflict, maintains its integrity, and is willing to set boundaries by confronting behavior that makes the meeting unsafe. He shares the story of how his previous meeting confronted a man who made the meeting unsafe and how the meeting's willingness to do this made it stronger.

Upcoming GVFM Spiritual Life Programs – 2022

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- Programs for additional months to follow.



Welcome to the
Grass Valley
Friends Meeting
Library.

Please use the boxes under the table to return publications you have borrowed.

Please do not shelve them yourself.

Many thanks,

Dianne, Librarian

Consider supporting Grass Valley Friends Meeting! Click on button below.

FRIENDS, while we experience mail delivery challenges, please use this "Give" button.



Note: This button will take you to a secure site. It's easy to give to Grass Valley Friends Meeting! Click on the Give button above or go to gyfriends. org and click on the "GIVE" button. This takes you to a secure site for donations. Your monthly contribution covers our Pacific Yearly Meeting dues and ensures that our activities as a Meeting are sustained. *Tithely* now allows the user to change the dollar of their gift without making a new donation request Thank you.

Stay connected with Paul Hartsough



"I No Longer Pray For Peace" By Ann Weems

On the edge of war, one foot already in, I no longer pray for peace: I pray for miracles. I pray that stone hearts will turn to tenderheartedness, and evil intentions will turn to mercifulness, and all the soldiers already deployed will be snatched out of harm's way, and the whole world will be astounded onto its knees. I pray that all the "God talk" will take bones, and stand up and shed its cloak of faithlessness, and walk again in its powerful truth. I pray that the whole world might sit down together and share its bread and its wine. Some say there is no hope, but then I've always applauded the holy fools who never seem to give up on the scandalousness of our faith: that we are loved by God..... that we can truly love one another. I no longer pray for peace: I pray for miracles.



Holding Ukraine in the Light



Dear Friends,

Let us join together in holding in the Light the situation in Ukraine, the decision makers, the soldiers, the citizens, all the people whose lives are in danger and already disrupted by fear.

You are invited to participate in a virtual Meeting for Worship starting Thursday, Feb 24, and continuing for one hour each day of this crisis. A rough time schedule is below - check for your local time - the fixed point being 9:00am Pacific Time. Join when you can and stay for the time that is most appropriate for you and your other schedules.

Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEkfumhrzkvHtBG7822YWmeLUoYJoptThr7/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtpzIqE9WXtR2DRpwMHYr4cPzmHpYgrdu0i9UXJqVQ7zGtdNC5hwAMzk

•	07:00am	Honolulu

- 12:00pm Eastern US
- 07:00pm Kyiv

• 09:00am Pacific

- 05:00pm London
- 08:00pm Moscow

• 06:00pm Paris

Please circulate this invitation as widely as you are able. Thank you,

Julie Harlow, a member of Davis Friends Meeting, Pacific Yearly Meeting

Zoom Bombing – from Dorothy Henderson's sister, Antonia Torrey

This morning I attended this for the second time. On Friday there were 31 people and today there were 470 when I logged in. Pretty amazing those Quakers! People from all over the world were there. At one point this morning a young voice asked if this was his math class and when told no he said this was the link his teacher had sent and asked if he could stay. He was told yes and that it was a silent meeting for worship.

A few minutes later there was another more juvenile male voice shouting fuck, the N-word, etc. And what did many it the Quakers do? They spontaneously started singing. It did not seem that the moderator knew how to identify the individual and everyone was muted while discussion went on about what to do.

Eventually the original boy said that there was a Jack with no profile picture who he believed was causing the disturbance and apparently he was booted because all was quiet again.

Apparently, Zoom bombing is the latter day version of the prank calls we used to make to anonymous phone numbers asking them if their refrigerator was running. I have nightly been lighting a candle for Ukraine - an idea that came from a Quaker from the UK who said she was putting a lit candle in her window each evening.



Sarah Clarke, Director of New York QUNO office

Regarding the acquisition and use of firearms by youth:

This statement was read at the 49th Session of the Human Rights Commission (HRC). There is a need for Quakers to speak up, and QUNO is taking a lead. Delivered by Nozizwe Madlala Routledge, Director of the Quaker United Nations Office, Geneva.

UKRAINE:

The HRC Urgent Debate concluded on March 4 with the adoption of a resolution titled Situation of human rights in Ukraine stemming from the Russian aggression. Adopted by 32 votes in favour, two against and 13 abstentions (no State has a veto in the HRC and resolutions can pass by simple majority). This resolution establishes a Commission of Inquiry to investigate human rights violations, violations of humanitarian law and other related crimes.

The Crisis in Ukraine: A brief UN overview: Following weeks of speculation and intelligence reports, the Russian government initiated new military operations in Ukraine beginning on 24 February. This military attack has had immediate far-reaching impacts, sparked a massive humanitarian crisis, and raised serious concern about potential ecological damage. On the global stage, a range of actions have been taken in response, including measures within the United Nations.

"New Paths and Policies towards Conflict Prevention," co-edited by QUNO's UN Representative, Rachel Madenyika, shares the learnings from a series of relationship-building dialogues between Chinese and Swiss scholars, convened by QUNO New York.

The choice in Ukraine is simple: Peace, not war

NATO expansion creates in Russia the very fears it is designed to allay in the alliance's newest members. As Quakers, we are called to "seek peace and pursue it," as the Bible's Psalm 34 says. Our faith teaches us that violence is always wrong. Lasting peace can only be achieved by peaceful means.

Remember, it is a still voice that speaks to us in this day, and that it is not to be heard in the noises and hurries of the mind. Jesus loved and chose solitudes, often going to mountains, to gardens, and seasides to avoid crowds and hurries to show his disciples it was good to be solitary and sit loose to the world.

- William Penn, Preface to The Journal of George Fox, 1694

QUAKER CAMPS ARE OPEN!



Ben Lomond Quaker Service and Art Camp

Get those kids signed up - Your kids, your kids friends, your friends kids, your grandkids, your nice, nephew, or nibbling. If they're 9-14 or even 15-16. They have a spot at Camp Woolman and Quaker Service and Art Camp.

Don't let finances be an issue we can find you support to get those kids to camp.

June $18 - \text{June } 24, 2022 -> -> -\text{Rising } 5^{\text{th}}, 6^{\text{th}}, 7^{\text{th}}, 8^{\text{th}}, \text{ or } 9^{\text{th}} \text{ (ages } 10 - 14)$

Quaker Service and Art Camp offers young people a taste of life in the remarkable redwoods of the Santa Cruz mountains. Campers will join camp staff as well as adult Friends for a week of experiencing Quaker community in nature. This year, we will experience what Spirit teaches us through the natural world about diversity, resilience, stewardship and the power of community.

Camp Woolman

February 28th, 2022 Update - Registration Opens!

Greetings interested parents, guardians, caretakers, and campers,

Drumroll please

...Registration for Camp Woolman is now open!



Thank you for your patience, care & support as we've been preparing everything up to this point. First, I encourage you to review our <u>Welcome Letter</u>. Second, you can begin the <u>registration process</u>! Hurray If you still have questions after reviewing this letter & the information on our website, I warmly encourage you to reach out to me.

Our search for camp counselors continues! If you know anyone who would thrive working outdoors with a dedicated team of camp-driven individuals, send them this link. Camp Woolman thanks you for it.

Wonderfully, Raen Thornberry, Camp Director, <u>raent@woolman.org</u>

UKRAINE - HELP - SUPPORT

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting General Secretary, Christie Duncan-Tessmer: Yesterday, faith leaders in Philadelphia were welcomed to the Sunday afternoon Lenten Vespers service at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. I was grateful for the opportunity to attend and seek some community in my heartbreak over the suffering in Ukraine.

I was touched by the icons on the church walls (shown above) that I learned were painted in Ukraine when war first broke out there in 2014. They are painted on wood from boxes of ammunition and felt like a perfect example of combining the witness of our faith with our witness against war. They embodied what the Archbishop taught us: sharing the truth of what is going on in Ukraine goes hand in hand with sharing the truth that God is with us.

Friends Peace Testimony from 1660

All bloody principles and practices, we, as to our own particulars, do utterly deny, with all outward wars and strife and [fighting] with outward weapons, for any end or under any [pretense] whatsoever. And this is our testimony to the whole world. The spirit of Christ, by which we are guided, is not changeable, so as once to command us from a thing as evil and again to move unto it; and we do certainly know, and so testify to the world, that the spirit of Christ, which leads us into all Truth, will never move us to fight and war against any man with outward weapons, neither for the kingdom of Christ, nor for the kingdoms of this world.

How to Help

Get involved with the Friends Committee on National Legislation

• Diplomacy is the only way this war will end. Maintaining communication between all parties is the best way to resolve this conflict and reduce human suffering.

Write Congress! Condemn the Russian Invasion! Press for Diplomacy

- Get involved with the American Friends Service Committee
- *Attend* the upcoming <u>Church World Service Conference</u> on March 4 to 6, Together We Welcome: A Virtual National Faith Gathering to Strengthen Support for Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants
- *Help young people understand the crisis*. Families and teachers wondering how to explain these events to children can explore these two articles:
 - o How do you talk to your young children about war?
 - o Explaining the News to Our Kids.
- *Read* the <u>Philadelphia Inquirer's</u>, list of where to donate to help Ukrainian refugees and others impacted by the invasion
- *Donate* to <u>Sunflower of Peace's initiative</u> to provide first-aid backpacks to paramedics and doctors on the front lines. Each backpack contains enough tactical first-aid supplies for five to ten people.

Support journalists by donating to The Kyiv Independent on GoFundMe or Patreon.

Visit virtually the Friends House Moscow which is holding daily worship.

The Ukrainian Singing Tree of Strength and Freedom provided by Laurie Marshall

Please send love to the Ukrainian people. We are making "The Ukrainian Singing Tree of Strength and Freedom" to raise funds for the International Rescue Committee. Add your voice and vision this Thursday, March 3rd at 4 pm EST, 5 MST, 6 CST and 7 EST or next Tuesday and Thursday at the same time. Have paper and colored pencils, markers or paints ready. We'll also share info about becoming a Singing Tree Facilitator. https://www.eventbrite.com/.../add-to-the-ukrainian...



Want to support the people in Ukraine? Here's how you can help

<u>National Public Radio, February 25, 2022</u> provided by Bill Drake; *NPR's Rachel Treisman contributed to this report*, Updated February 25, 20229:55 AM ET <u>JEFF DEAN & JONATHAN FRANKLIN</u>

As the Russian military invasion of Ukraine has unfolded, so too has a humanitarian crisis that has forced civilians to flee their homes or take refuge in bomb shelters and subway stations throughout the country.

As the world watches on TVs and smartphones, it's a natural thought to want to help in some way.

Here is a non-exhaustive list of organizations that are asking for assistance. Donations can be made through the links to their websites or social media pages.

UNICEF

<u>UNICEF</u> supports health, nutrition, HIV prevention, education, safe drinking water, sanitation and protection for children and families caught in the conflict in Ukraine.

"Heavy weapons fire along the line of contact has already damaged critical water infrastructure and education facilities in recent days," said UNICEF Executive Director Catherine M. Russell in a statement.

Médecins Sans Frontieres/Doctors Without Borders

MSF runs <u>a range of activities in Ukraine</u> working with local volunteers, organizations, health care professionals and authorities to help people travel to health care facilities and access prescribed medications.

Voices of Children

The Ukrainian organization's Charitable Foundation helps provide psychological and psychosocial support to children affected by the armed conflict, according to its website.

Voices of Children's efforts of support for kids include art therapy, video storytelling, providing mobile psychologists and even individual help for families.

Sunflower of Peace

The nonprofit organization is <u>raising money</u> to prepare first aid medical tactical backpacks for paramedics and doctors on the front lines.

Each backpack is designed for groups of 5 to ten people and includes an array of first aid supplies — such as bandages, anti-hemorrhagic medicine and medical instruments, according to the organization's Facebook page.

International Committee of the Red Cross

This <u>Switzerland-based organization</u> is aiming to help people affected by the conflict and support the work of the Ukrainian Red Cross.

Save the Children

Save the Children, based in London, <u>helps to deliver lifesaving aid</u> to vulnerable children in Ukraine and around the world. According to its <u>website</u>, the organization says it is on the ground in the U.S. and other parts of the world "delivering essential humanitarian aid."

"We are gravely concerned for children in Ukraine, Afghanistan and around the world who might be caught in the middle of armed conflict, forced to flee their homes and exposed to injury, hunger and sub-zero temperatures," the organization writes in a <u>statement online</u>.

UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR)

The international organization <u>aims to provide emergency assistance to families in Ukraine</u> — providing <u>aid</u> such as cash assistance and opportunities for resettlement in the U.S.

"UNHCR is working with the authorities, UN and other partners in Ukraine and is ready to provide humanitarian assistance wherever necessary and possible. To that effect, security and access for humanitarian efforts must be guaranteed," the organization said in a statement.

CARE

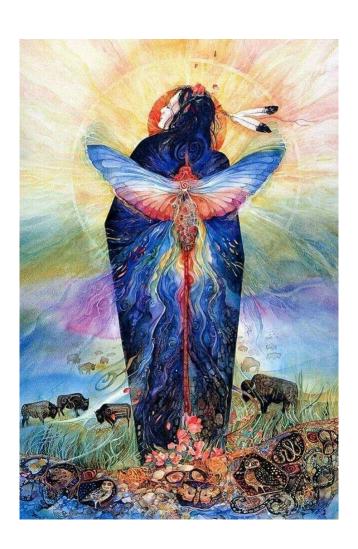
CARE is raising money for its <u>Ukraine Crisis Fund</u>, which will provide immediate aid including food, water, hygiene kits, support services and direct cash assistance. The humanitarian organization aims to raise \$20 million and help at least 4 million Ukrainians. It says it will prioritize women and girls, families and the elderly.

International Medical Corps

The global nonprofit has been delivering primary health care and mental health services in eastern Ukraine since 2014, and is <u>raising funds to expand those services</u> for people affected by the latest conflict. It says cold weather and economic insecurity in the leadup to Thursday's attack have left nearly 3 million Ukrainians relying on humanitarian assistance to meet their basic needs, a number that is certain to rise nationwide.

Its Ukraine team is preparing to deploy mobile medical teams to provide emergency and primary health services, mental health and psychosocial services and COVID-19 awareness and prevention services for people who have been displaced.

Wakan Tanka,



Great Mystery (Great Spirit),
Teach me how to trust my heart,
Teach me how to trust my mind,
Teach me how to trust my intuition,
Teach me how to trust my inner knowing,
The senses of my body,
The blessings of my spirit.
Teach me to trust these things
so that I may enter my Sacred Space
and love beyond my fear
and thus Walk in Balance
with the passing of each glorious Sun.

Lakota Wisdom
Honor the sacred
Honor the Earth, our Mother
Honor the Elders
Honor all with whom we share the Earth
Four-leggeds
Two-leggeds
Winged ones
Swimmers
Crawlers
Plant and rock people
Walk in balance and beauty.
Mitakuye Oyasin!!

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