



Playing in the Light: Training in Godly Play® and Faith & Play™ for Quakers

Dear Friends,

November 7-9, we will gather at Centre Friends Meeting for a weekend of stories, worship, fellowship and play together. I look forward to meeting you, and working together during the *Playing in the Light* training!

A few thoughts on being ready for *Playing in the Light*:

- The **schedule of times** for the training is 15 hours, for us to be able to cover what we need. Please plan to be there all three days for the times scheduled; we will check in about our energy and needs throughout, and try to be spacious where we can.
- **Please dress comfortably!** If you would like, bring a pillow or other support for times when we sit on the floor.
- **Please bring pen/pencil;** all other training materials will be provided.
- **Snacks and lunches on Saturday and Sunday will be provided** by our hosts at Centre Friends Meeting.
- An important part of the training is **sharing of stories**. After individual practice time, you will each present a Godly Play or Faith & Play story to the group. The purpose of this is twofold: for you to experience leading a story, and for the group to hear many stories in the course of the training. The conversation after we hear a story together is a rich part of our work. *You do not need to prepare beforehand.*
- If you're interested in **reading** to "prime the pump" for the training, or if you're looking to learn more afterward, a recommended book is *Teaching Godly Play: How to Mentor the Spiritual Development of Children* by Godly Play founder Jerome Berryman. This is a basic introduction to the Godly Play method, which we use for working with children and Faith & Play stories. It is available from Amazon, and also Quakerbooks of FGC www.quakerbooks.org.

If you have any questions or would like to touch base before the training, I'm glad to connect by email or phone.

In faith and friendship,

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