Meeting for Discernment

February 16-17, 2018

Fifteenth Street Meeting

How do I prepare myself to be receptive to the Light, in worship and in the world? How does this experience affect my life? How does my meeting support me and other Friends to test and support the leadings that arise in the Light?

The next Meeting for Discernment will take place at Fifteenth Street meetinghouse, 15 Rutherford Place, New York, NY 10003, on Saturday, February 17, 2018, from 9:30am to 5:30pm, hosted by Fifteenth Street Friends. (Rain Date: March 3, 2017).

Friends aspire (in Rufus Jones's words) to be "a living body of Christ in the world to-day [by] coming into union with God in our gatherings." Twice a year, a large body of NYYM Friends gather to experience "the tremendous power of silent community fellowship with God." No business is considered; the work of the day is simply extended worship on the basis of silence. Through prayerful discernment, those in attendance listen for God's guidance in what is rising at the monthly meeting level and throughout the yearly meeting body.

All monthly meetings and worship groups are asked to appoint at least one person to attend. Appointees are asked not to bring prepared messages, but to speak as moved in the moment by Spirit, by God, by the Inner Christ. By meeting this way in the fullness of our community, we hear that which might not be heard in the midst of committees and attending to business.

Friends are invited to arrive soon after 8:30. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided. Worship will begin at 9:00, with lunch provided at noon and resumption of worship from 1:00 p.m. Please indicate on your registration form if you will be present for morning snacks and/or lunch. A donation of \$20 per person, paid on-site, will help defray the cost of childcare, lunch, and other necessities. Please be advised that the donation is suggested and not required.

You may register online at <u>nyym.org/event/meeting-discernment-winter-</u> <u>2018</u> or request a registration by emailing <u>office@nyym.org</u> or calling 212-6735750. For information regarding financial assistance for travel expenses, contact Jeffrey Aaron: (732) 247-9430 or jephreyaaron@aol.com. Local contact person is Chloe Tomlinson: chloe.e.tomlinson@gmail.com, 516-778-7718.