

*Quite possibly the first ever Quaker Party, sixth month, seventeenth and eighteenth days, at 15 Rutherford Place, New York City, in the year called two thousand and sixteen . . .*

How does a Quaker Party?  
Hello, Friend!

## This meeting house is huge!

You Are Loved even before You ARRIVE HERE.  
appreciation for learning. form shared experiences.  
Joy in community  
dancing in a cuddle pile  
Quakers create safe space in the city  
One vegetarian says to the other vegetarian, "How do we cook the bacon?"

The Quaker Party has started! Friends are here from all over the world!  
It's amazing how much joy is waiting if we welcome opportunities to play  
Care for humanity  
courage to move freely  
The appearance of Spirit in unexpected places  
openness easy intimacy

Quakers are quite loud when they're not being quiet and sometimes loud even when they are being quiet  
"I'm kinda a junkie for the Holy Spirit."  
PLAY might defuse the duty and dread of Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business

There is beautiful singing coming from the plenary in the meetinghouse.  
Harmonies when we know the song—but great enthusiasm when we don't  
I'm gonna share something I just learned, because when you learn something new, why not share it?  
I'm pretty sure the kids are off playing the magnetic cello.  
Does anyone have any bike tools with them?

What do you do in the world and how does it align or contrast with your Faith?  
"it should be as easy to give money to my Meeting as it is to spend money at the bar with my friends."

we spoke about how we can have integrity in our actions with money and Quakers and our communities. Earmarked funds from the 1800's are no longer pertinent to the Light or Truth of Friends  
we see that there is still racism in the US and we are ready to work! Who wants to work with me?

Friends and Meetings need to do more to disrupt homophobia.

*I felt embraced in a way I hadn't expected.*

We need to challenge our cliché response of talking about love and kindness.

*I've been away from Quakerism for a long time*

We need to create safe spaces for people to heal.

*I felt called to come back.*

No one in our community should be grieving alone, but so many of us are.

Staying up late in the kitchen of Brooklyn Meetinghouse=crucial fellowship at the quaker party

How do we share and manage financial and other resources with each other in the best way?

I'm gonna throw some Quaker on you . . .

We need to write queries about sex and not rules

perspective can change. NEVER STOP ADVOCATING.

"Quakers can do anything and it'd be a lot of fun"

How do we get out of these challenges to our connection?

How do we deal with the pain of negotiations with reality?

I feel like I just shed layers of no longer needed weight.

For the first 25ish years of my life the only Quakers I knew were pale skinned folks....here at the Quakerparty the people are from many countries, many states, and many cultures. we are all different individuals.

Let people try worship (even if they aren't ready to be a Quaker)

we make our "traditions" and practices new every day and every time we engage.

If I don't understand I will learn by being part of the change.

sell your cleverness and buy some wonderment.

#QuakerParty