

AOC REPORT

*“For I know the plans I have for you” Declares the Lord,
“Plans to prosper you and not to harm you; Plans to give you hope and a future”.*

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

These words from the Lord to us, through the prophet Jeremiah, give us hope during these trying times. Much of what we had hoped for as a yearly meeting, as quarterly meetings, as monthly meetings, and as individuals has been put on hold or changed multiple times as we adapt to a viral pandemic and the restrictions that come with it.

Quaker Lake Camp could not host campers or events this spring and summer. Mid-Year Gathering was planned, postponed, and then cancelled. Annual sessions had to be moved and drastically scaled back and modified for the safety of all who are participating. Our meetings are under new pressures to modify the ways we minister to our congregations and our communities. Whether socially distanced outside, or streamed over social media, our weekly Worship Services and Bible Studies have reached out to our members and attenders as we strive to be God’s Light in our communities.

The Administrative Oversight Committee has 4 recommendations to bring to this body at annual sessions:

- 1- AOC commends Mike Wall as superintendent for his work in supporting pastors and meetings. We unanimously recommend that he be retained in that capacity.
- 2- AOC asks that we be allowed to review and recommend use and disposition of undesignated funds coming to FCNC. The goal is to increase flexibility and facilitate best use of these resources.
- 3- AOC asks to meet with the Faith and Practice Committee to modify the rules governing committee make up, numbers on committees, and selection of committee chairs, without changing the substance or intent of Faith and Practice.
- 4- AOC suggests that FCNC rejoin FWCC (Friends World Committee on Consultation) to give us a voice as evangelicals in the wider context of Friends.

Respectfully Submitted,

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