

Casting Seeds of New Life in North American Ministries

Deepening our capacity to energize, equip, and connect Friends in North America continues to be a strategic priority for FUM. Friends often reach out to us searching for resources, consultation, and training to help our Meetings, churches, and Yearly Meetings become more vibrant, faithful, and growing.

Through *Stoking the Fire* and *Unleashing the Power*, FUM offers gatherings and connections where the spiritual life of Friends is rekindled, and leaders are trained for more effective service. Through *Flourishing Friends*, FUM helps congregations refocus and establish more healthy practices and patterns.

FUM is deepening connections with African congregations in North America. We hope to do the same with Latino Friends. We have begun work to establish a cadre of trained ministers to serve as intentional interim pastors. As we revamp the *Unleashing the Power* program, aimed at practical resources for Meetings and churches, we are excited about using virtual gatherings to expand our reach and broaden our offering of topics.

We recognize the pressing need to identify, develop, and mentor new leaders and find creative ways to engage younger people in service. We are exploring avenues to help Friends discern a call to service and create a nurturing network that allows them to explore opportunities that will benefit our local and Yearly Meetings and other Friends organizations.

Creative communications, both in print and digital form, remain essential to this work. Our staff is focused on finding new ways to articulate who Christ is calling Friends to be in the 21st century.



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