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To members of Britain Yearly Meeting and to Local Meetings & Area Meetings

Dear Friends

We write to you as your representatives serving Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) to ask for your prayerful upholding and financial support of FWCC's work. FWCC is connecting Friends, crossing cultures and changing lives, strengthening our spiritual unity. We gain enormously from sharing our varying traditions, cultural experiences, and understandings of what it means to be a Quaker today.

FWCC shares BYM's concerns for sustainability, social action and fostering leadership amongst Young Adult Friends. FWCC is initiating a Quaker dialogue on issues of inequality around the world. Many of us are confronted with this as we work together and as we work for the world's healing. FWCC will invite dialogue and feedback from Meetings, culminating in engagement at the World Plenary Meeting in Durban, South Africa in July 2023.

BYM sends via the monthly mailing from Friends House the FWCC publications "Friends World News" (included this month) and specifically for Europe and the Middle East "Among Friends", so many of you will know of the variety of work that FWCC undertakes.

FWCC provides a Quaker voice at the world level through its global ecumenical partnerships and participation in interfaith dialogue. The Quaker United Nations Offices in New York and Geneva, have the highest consultative status at the UN through FWCC as the world Quaker body.

Why does your contribution matter? FWCC relies on the generosity of Friends in supporting the Quaker community, so we are appealing to you and your meeting to contribute to FWCC's work. Help us support FWCC as it continues to connect Friends in our work, our worship, and our lives.

As FWCC representatives, we would be glad to come and share with your Area, Regional, or Local meeting something of the current work to bring it to life.

Thank you for your support.

In Friendship,

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You can contact us via Michael Booth at Friends House (<u>gwrc@guaker.org.uk</u>)

Note for treasurers and other supporters:

All donations coming from within Britain Yearly Meeting are shared, 75% going to the FWCC World Office and 25% to our own Europe and Middle East Section.

Please consider taking a collection in your meeting or raising funds through a sale.

You can donate by sending a cheque made out to FWCC, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2AX, or by giving online via the website: http://fwcc.world/about-fwcc/donate or by setting up a standing order.

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