

*Peace whirled through and settled in this place:
the common fire burned, to make this light.*
(Pablo Neruda, *100 Love Sonnets*, LIII)



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Weekend Cost includes
meals & registration
(reasonable accommodations
ten-minute walk: B&Bs,
1919 hotel, motels)



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**a Quaker-based initiative
to deepen and integrate
our wellbeing
— spiritual, intellectual,
imaginative, bodily —
working together
to cultivate personal wholeness
and to mend the world**

A MEETINGPLACE
of unexpected magnitudes
experience stillness, simplicity,
spaciousness on wooded site
where Flat Creek meets
Swannanoa River
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*True godliness doesn't turn men
[and women] out of the world,
but enables them to live better in it,
and excites their endeavors to mend it.*
(William Penn)

Year One:
SEEDS OF PEACE/ SEEDS OF WAR
November 2004 – May 2005

WEEKEND SEMINARS

Inaugurating Common Light:
**Between Two Streams:
How Can We Become 'Native'
To This Place?**

November 5-6, 2004

Cherokee Leaders:

Freeman Owle – Cherokee
Historian and Storyteller

Laura Donaldson – Associate Professor of
English and American Indian Studies,
Cornell University

Friday 4:00 pm – Saturday 5:00 pm

Cost: \$80.00

Peacemaking and the Life of the Spirit

I. November 12-14

II. February 25-27

III. March 18-20

Co-Sponsors: Pendle Hill and
Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting

Leader: Dan Snyder

Teacher of Peace Studies, Pendle Hill
(National Quaker Study and Retreat Center
near Philadelphia, PA)

I. Nonviolence in Personal and
Political Life

II. Prayer and Peacemaking

III. Forgiveness & Reconciliation

Friday, 5:00 pm - Sunday, noon

Cost: \$125 weekend, \$300 for all three

**When the Rain Returns:
Toward Justice and Reconciliation
in Palestine & Israel
April 15-16**

Leaders: Zohara Simmons, Ass't. Professor,
Religion, University of Florida
Service Committee, Tony Bing, Professor
Emeritus of English Literature & Peace Studies,
Earlham College

Friday, 5:00 pm – Saturday, 9:00 pm

Cost: \$100

**Merleau-Ponty's Peaceable Kingdom
of Perception & Our Bodily
Ways in the World
May 21-22**

Leaders: Mel Keiser & Guilford Alumni

Friday, 5:00 pm – Saturday, 5:00 pm

Cost: meals, love offering

OTHER PROGRAMS

**Film Series with Discussion:
Interrogating War/Nonviolence**

No fee, love offering received

I. *The Mission*

Tony Bing, Discussion Leader,
Professor Emeritus of English
Literature & Peace Studies,
Earlham College

November 17, Wed., 6:30-9:30 pm

II. *Saving Private Ryan*

Elizabeth Kirk, Discussion Leader,
Professor Emerita of Medieval English
Literature, Brown University

December 15, Wed., 6:30-9:30 pm

III. *Paths of Glory*

Tony Bing, Discussion Leader

January 12, Wed., 6:30-9:30 pm

IV. *Weapons of the Spirit*

Elizabeth Kirk, Discussion Leader

February 16, Wed., 6:30-9:30 pm

Experiment with Light:

Quaker Guided Meditation

Every Tuesday, 6:45 - 8:15 pm

No fee

**Darkness into Light: Meditative Circle Dances
for Winter**

January 13 - February 17

Barbara Nerenz-Kelley, Teacher
of Meditative Dance

Six Thursdays 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Cost: \$50.00 for six sessions

**Lecture: Nonviolence and the
Dynamics of Transformation
February 24**

Dan Snyder

Thursday, 7:30 - 9:00 pm

No fee, love offering received

**On the Wine Dark Sea: Archetypal
Exploration of The Internal *Odyssey*
of Homer**

April 4-May 23

Lee Johnson, Discussion Leader,
Professor Emeritus of English
Literature, Guilford College

Eight Mondays, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

No fee, love offering received

Yoga classes, and more events
to be announced!

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inclusive community.**

Mandala Intensive Workshop

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