



Invitation to participate

Friends Responses to Global Change

An FWCC Worldwide Consultation among Friends

Dear Friends,

Friends World Committee for Consultation invites you to join a worldwide Friends' consultation process on Global Change.

There is growing concern among Friends around the world on issues of change including environmental, climate, economic, and social change. Friends see these issues as interconnected and as parts of a single change, which we call 'global change'. To seek and explore Friends' voices on global change as widely as possible, FWCC established a process for local 'clusters' to meet in the tradition of Friends meeting for worship for discernment of a particular concern, in this case, global change.

We invite you to journey with us as we seek God's guidance in discerning our response to Global Change. The first step is to organise or join in a cluster gathering in your community. In these gatherings, we will hear and record the voices of Friends sharing how our lives have been touched by global change. From these shared stories, we seek to discern how we can live in right relationship with creation and with each other. This discernment process will carry forward to a world Consultation to be held in late 2011. The outcome of the Consultation will be presented at the Sixth World Conference of Friends in Kenya in 2012.

It is our desire that as many Friends as possible participate in this process. We especially hope to hear the voices of Friends who have not yet spoken or perhaps not been heard in the global arena. We encourage you to be part of forming or joining a cluster meeting and sharing the outcomes with Friends worldwide through this process. We will also offer on-line opportunities for participating in this process.

Please review the attached information on the Consultation process, specific information on the Cluster process and a copy of our *Six Queries in Regard to Global Change*.

For additional information on how you can participate in this process, visit our Consultation website at www.fwccglobalchange.org. If you have a general question, please contact project staff and volunteers at info@fwccglobalchange.org. We invite you to consider serving as a cluster facilitator. To receive a facilitator's packet to organise a cluster meeting, contact the FWCC Global Change Coordinator at samuel@fwccglobalchange.org.

In friendship,

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