



FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP OF HEALING

(A Quaker Group and Registered Charity No. 284459)

www.quaker-healing.org.uk

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP OF HEALING

WHAT WE DO

We uphold the cause of the healing ministry within the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain, and practise healing for the benefit of those in need.

The Friends Fellowship of Healing is an informal group of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). (Registered Charity number 284459.)

Since its foundation in 1935, it has sought to uphold the cause of a healing ministry, and seeks to be a channel to help people towards health and harmony of body, mind and spirit, which it believes is God's purpose for everyone.

FFH has prayer groups attached to many Meetings, and also postal groups to enable isolated people, and those who may be unable to join a local group, to co-operate with others in the service of healing prayer.

The Fellowship holds conferences, retreats and workshops held either in a residential centre (Claridge House, Dormans Road, Dormansland, Lingfield, Surrey RH7 6QH) or elsewhere.



All members annually receive three issues of Towards Wholeness, the journal of the Fellowship, published in March, July and November.

We are a Quaker Group and although the majority of our members are Quakers we are not exclusively so and we welcome all who have an interest in and who may also practice spiritual healing.

HOW WE ARE ORGANISED

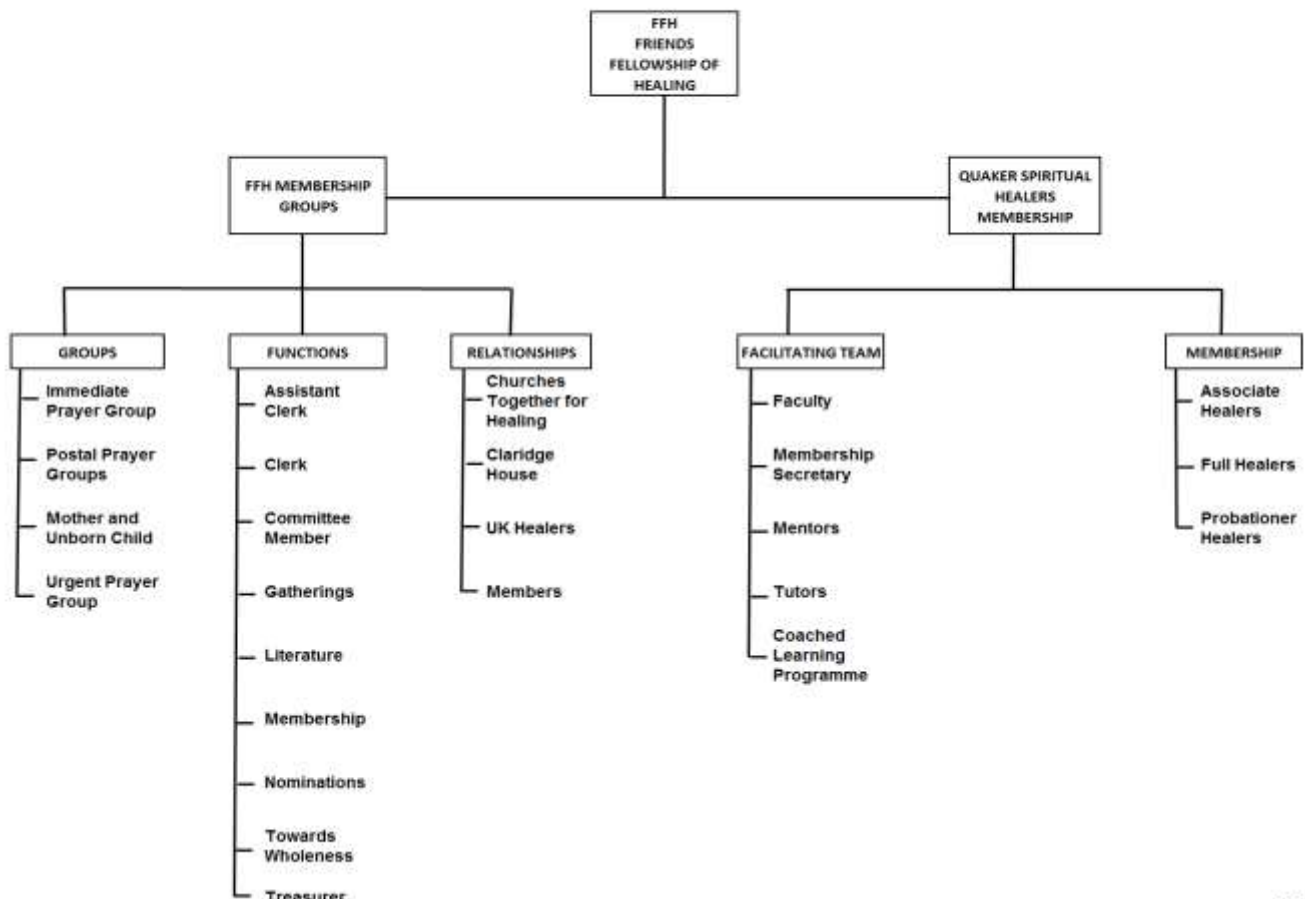
We tend to avoid as much 'organisation' as possible and focus upon healing and our individual spiritual journeys towards healing. In

binds us is loving friendship and the upholding of the Healing Ministry.

For most of our members it is sufficient to attend healing groups on a regular basis and to read and,



FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP OF HEALING ORGANISATION DIAGRAM



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fact our magazine which is published three times a year is entitled Towards Wholeness.

As you can see from the above diagram we appear to be very well organised and structured but the truth is that the above only represents the varying activities and groups that have come into being within our Fellowship. The common tie that

sometimes, contribute, to our magazine Towards Wholeness which is published without further charge to all members in March, July and November.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO BE A MEMBER OF FFH?

Healing work is not immune to the effects of the mundane and the Friends Fellowship of Healing which

includes the Quaker Spiritual Healers incurs costs typical of most organisations but we feel that we are very effective administratively (We have no paid employees) and are efficient in what we do. This enables our fees to be kept at a level just above our expenditure, we are a not-for profit organisation.

Our fee levels are therefore as follows (although a bursary may be available):-

FFH member	£15-00
Quaker Spiritual Healer member	
(Including membership of FFH)	£35-00
Overseas & QSH Associate	£21-00

We appreciate it members of the Fellowship can pay by Standing Order and if they are tax payers then Gift Aid may also be applicable and this therefore can greatly assist in providing funds for our ongoing healing ministry.

We are asking that you therefore cancel all previous standing orders and make a new one by completing the form overleaf and sending it to me. If applicable, please complete the Gift Aid declaration below as well because this will contribute to our work.

Should you wish to become a member of FFH you will be most welcome. In the first instance please visit our web site shown at the top of

page 1 or contact our membership Secretary whose details are at the bottom of this page.

QUAKER SPIRITUAL HEALERS

The Quaker Spiritual Healers is a sub-group of Friends Fellowship of Healing, inaugurated in 2001. It adheres closely to the Quaker ethos of simplicity, and directness of approach to the divine source of all healing.

The group is fully insured through the specialist insurers Balens of Great Malvern, and it adheres to a strict code of conduct.

The group was formed because so many people nowadays feel the inspiration to offer 'hands-on' or contact healing, and, following the example of George Fox and other early Friends, are led to offer their time and service to others.

There are three types of membership:

- 1.Full healers
- 2.Probationer healers
- 3.Associate members

All members are required to be fully paid-up members of the Friends Fellowship of Healing. As such they can then apply to become full healer members of the QSH, if they are already practising full healer members of another recognised

healing association; or they can take the four-day course which is run by two co-tutors twice a year, and then apply to become probationer members. This is followed by a (discretionary) two year probationary period.

The purpose of healing is to bring the body, mind and spirit into harmony and allow the body's own natural healing process to function, so creating wholeness and a restoration to health. It can be given for any illness or injury.

It is particularly good for relieving stress, and Penny Brohn Cancer Care centre (formerly the Bristol Cancer Help Centre) recommends it as the primary alternative therapy in the fight against cancer. Both physical and psychological problems may well respond to it.

It may not always cure an illness, but healing often alleviates pain, puts problems into perspective. and improves the quality of life.

There is always some benefit from receiving spiritual healing: it may be a change in one's attitude of mind to the presented problem; it may bring an ability to cope; or it may bring the greatest gift of all, peace of mind.

GEORGE FOX - Early Quaker

George Fox was active in Britain during the second half of the seventeenth century. Was a central figure in establishing the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) and during his lifetime he was very well known for his healing ministry.

The gift of healing manifested in George Fox in two ways; firstly as self-healing and secondly as the healing of a variety of diseases and conditions in others.

There are many records of George Fox's healing gifts and they show that he was unusually willing (for those times), to help the sick and injured. Healing seems to have been a regular and not uncommon part of his overall ministry. Most of those who he sought to help came from the poor and humble folk.

The seventeenth century was a time of spiritual ferment. It is not surprising therefore that in those days many Friends were able to become channels of a Divine healing energy of such nature and power that they were able to perform healings that seemed miraculous and thus the healings that took place in the seventeenth century were called miracles.

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