

Quaker Meeting House Denton Road



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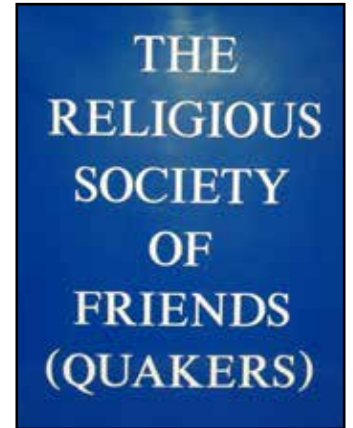
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The Meeting House

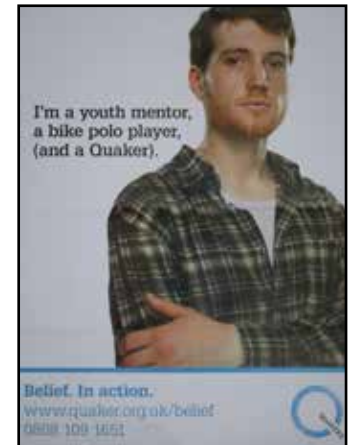
The Society of Friends (Quakers) meets and worships in a room in an ordinary house. The meeting room has chairs around the edge and a small table in the middle with a vase of flowers. There is no other furniture or decoration in this part of the meeting house.



Services are held largely in silence, but usually there will be some brief spoken contributions - often about the life and teaching of Jesus. Silence and stillness are important elements in Quaker life ('stillness can be moving').



The Religious Society of Friends is rooted in Christianity, but Quakers accept that the Bible is not the only source of God's truth, so they look for insights in other faiths. Quakers believe in non-violence in thought, word and deed. Most refuse to fight in war and are opposed to all preparations for it.



Questions to ask in this meeting house

- What makes this house a place of worship?
- What is the special way of worshipping here?
- Why is silence so important to Quakers?
(It enables them to seek and meet God while removing pressure and hurry)
- Are there any symbols or decoration here?
- Why are there no crosses in this church?
- What are the 'peace churches'?

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