The following selection of classic and recent Quaker publications is intended to serve as a starting point for individuals and Meetings who are in search of writings on Friends beliefs, practices, and history. More exhaustive bibliographies can be found in the *Historical Dictionary of the Friends* (Quakers) and Patricia Loring’s *Listening Spirituality*, listed among the books found below. It may be helpful to note that older publications may be reprinted by a variety of sources.

Useful addresses for obtaining Quaker literature include:

Quaker Books of Friends General Conference, 1216 Arch Street #2B, Philadelphia, PA 19107 or [www.quakerbooks.org](http://www.quakerbooks.org). This is the successor to Friends Book Store that served Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

Pendle Hill Bookstore, 338 Plush Mill Road, Wallingford, PA 19086 or [www.pendlehill.org/index.php/bookstore](http://www.pendlehill.org/index.php/bookstore). Initially a publisher of pamphlets, the bookstore carries a full range of titles of interest to Friends.

Barclay Press, 211 N. Meridian St., #101, Newberg, OR 97132 or [www.barclaypress.com/bookstore](http://www.barclaypress.com/bookstore). A West Coast source for a number of titles that are of interest to Friends.

Vintage Quaker Books, 181 Hayden Rowe St., Hopkinton, MA 01748 or [www.vintagequakerbooks.com](http://www.vintagequakerbooks.com). Vintage is a source for out-of-print Quakeriana.

**General**

Abbott, Margery Post; Mary Ellen Chijioke; Pink Dandelion; John William Oliver Jr. *Historical Dictionary of the Friends (Quakers)*. The Scarecrow Press, Inc., 2003. A comprehensive volume useful for quick reference or as a beginning for further study; includes an extensive bibliography.


Barclay, Robert. *Apology for the True Christian Divinity*. Quaker Heritage Press, 2002. The original text in its seventeenth-century language. The *Apology* is described as “in many respects one of the most impressive theological writings of the [seventeenth] century.” in the *Dictionary of National Biography’s* article on Barclay.


Loring, Patricia. *Listening Spirituality. Volume 2: Corporate Spiritual Practice among Friends.* Openings Press, 1999. The two volumes show a way to spiritual formation rooted in Quaker experience. They are clearly written and suggest numerous resources for exploration.


**Disciplines**


**History**


Hamm, Thomas D. *The Quakers in America*, Columbia University Press, 2003. According to the author’s preface, this scholarly study attempts to “describe and explain contemporary American Quakerism in its considerable diversity”.


Jones, Rufus. *Quakers in the American Colonies*, Macmillan, 1911. An account of the far-reaching influence of Friends in the colonial period and the decline that followed the American Revolution.


**Journals, Letters, and Biography**


Brinton, Howard:


Manousos, Anthony. *Howard and Anna Brinton: Re-inventors of Quakerism in the Twentieth Century: An Interpretive Biography*. QuakerBridge Media of Friends General Conference, 2013. The Brintons were a formative influence during the early years of what became the independent yearly meetings in the western United States.

Fell, Margaret:


Fell, Margaret. *Undaunted Zeal: The Letters of Margaret Fell*. Elsa F. Glines (ed.). Friends United Press, 2003. This is the first appearance of the letters from this pivotal figure in the beginning of Quakerism.

Kunze, Bonnelyn Young. *Margaret Fell and the Rise of Quakerism*. Stanford University Press, 1994. The author shows that in keeping with Margaret Fell’s status and personality, she was a co-leader with George Fox in the first fifty years of Quakerism.

Fox, George:


Ingle, H. Larry. *First Among Friends: George Fox & the Creation of Quakerism.* Oxford University Press, 1994. This volume brings George Fox vividly to life and shows the important part he played in establishing the Religious Society of Friends.

Fry, Elizabeth:


Woolman, John:


Plank, Geoffrey. *John Woolman's Path to the Peaceable Kingdom: A Quaker in the British Empire.* University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012. This biography brings forward Woolman's fidelity to Quaker discipline, his thoughts on work, commercial activity, and his understanding of the process of inspiration.

**Worship and Devotion**

Anon. *A Guide to True Peace or the Excellency of Inward and Spiritual Prayer*, 1813, frequently reprinted since. The 1946 Pendle Hill edition notes that this small book, compiled by two Friends from the writings of Fenelon, Guyon, and Molinos, has been widely used as a devotional book by members of the Religious Society of Friends.


**Bibles & Bible Study**

*New Revised Standard Version* (NRSV). Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA. This is the version used throughout this NPYM *Faith and Practice*. It is a translation that adopted inclusive gender language.


Gospel because it speaks to a here-and-now experience of eternal reality in Christ, which is explored in this book through meditations on themes in the gospel.

Greenleaf-Murer, Esther. Quaker Bible Index: An Index to Scripture References in the Works of Fox, Barclay, Penn, Woolman and Others. Quaker Press of Friends General Conference, 2001. CD-ROM Disk. This is a tool for identifying Scripture passages of importance to early Friends and locating representative uses of them.

**Religious Education**


**Peace and Social Concerns**


Leuze, Robert (ed.). *Each of us Inevitable*. FLGBTQC, 2003. A compendium of addresses and essays on being gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or an ally.


**Other Publications of Interest**


**North Pacific Yearly Meeting Publications**


**Some Quaker Periodicals**

*Western Friend*, 833 SE Main St Mailbox #138 Portland, OR 97214 or westernfriend.org. The official publication of Pacific, North Pacific, and Intermountain Yearly Meetings of the Religious Society of Friends.


*Pendle Hill Pamphlets*, Pendle Hill Publications, Wallingford, PA 19086 or www.pendlehill.org. Quaker faith and practice, the inward journey, social concerns, religion and psychology, literature, art, and biography have all been subjects in this series, which issues five pamphlets a year.

*Friends World News*, Friends World Committee for Consultation, 1506 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102 or www.fwccamericas.org. The purpose of the Friends World Committee for Consultation is to encourage fellowship among all the branches of the Religious Society of Friends.

*Quaker History*, Friends Historical Association, Haverford College, 370 Lancaster Avenue, Haverford, Pennsylvania, 19041 or www.haverford.edu/library/fha/welcome. Publishes articles on Quaker contributions to issues such as social justice, education, and literature.

*Quaker Religious Thought*, Box 6042, George Fox University, 414 N. Meridian Street, Newberg, OR 97132. A journal with an academic cast sponsored by the Quaker Theological Discussion Group.

*Quaker Theology*, P.O. Box 1344, Fayetteville NC 28302, or www.quaker.org/quest. Describes itself as a progressive journal and forum for discussion and study; includes helpful book reviews.

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