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Errors and omissions in a work of this sort are almost inevitable, and can be blamed entirely on the compiler, who welcomes all corrections for inclusion in future editions.
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Abbreviations Used:

a. after
b. before
ca. circa (approximately)
Conn. Connecticut
DL Old Dartmouth Historical Society, New Bedford MA
EFC Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region (Ohio Y.M.)
fol. folder
ft. linear feet. Used for large quantities of loose papers.
G Gurneyite (or “Larger body”) meeting
HS Rhode Island Historical Society Library.
it. item
Loc. location of original item.
Mass. Massachusetts
Me. Maine
MH Maine Historical Society, Portland, Me.
M.M. Monthly Meeting
NA Nantucket Historical Association
N.E.Y.M. New England Yearly Meeting
N.H. New Hampshire
N.S. Nova Scotia, Canada
NW Newport Historical Society
O Otisite (or “Primitive”) meeting
N.Y. New York
NYH Hickstite branch of New York Yearly Meeting
NYO Orthodox branch of New York Yearly Meeting
NYP New York Yearly Meeting, pre-1828.
NYU New York Yearly Meeting, united after 1955
NYW Wilburite branch of New York Yearly Meeting
P Pre-split. Part of New England Yearly Meeting pre-1845.
P.M. Preparative Meeting
Q.M. Quarterly Meeting
RI New England Yearly Meeting Archives, at the R.I. Historical Society Library.
R.I. Rhode Island
vol. volume
Vt. Vermont
W Wilburite (or “Smaller body”) meeting
WE Weare Monthly Meeting
W.G. Used generically for worship groups, meetings for worship, allowed meetings, particular meetings, midweek meetings and all other meetings which did not meet for business.
* Microfilm available at the Maine Historical Society.
+ Microfilm available at Family History Centers operated by Church of Latter Day Saints (Mormons)
@ Microfilm available at the Nantucket Historical Association
Introduction

This volume is a guide for any researcher interested in the records of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in New England. In addition to providing a comprehensive list of the official records created by New England Quakers, it also gives a brief history of each meeting.

The bulk of the guide is arranged by meeting. To use it, a basic understanding of the administrative structure of the Society of Friends would be very helpful. The largest body is the Yearly Meeting. For many rather confusing reasons, there have been several different yearly meetings active in New England. The largest, New England Yearly Meeting, has covered almost the entire region since 1661. The yearly meeting has been composed of quarterly meetings since the early 18th century. They in turn are composed of monthly meetings, which are the basic administrative unit of the Society of Friends. Almost all of the membership information is recorded on the monthly meeting level. The monthly meeting is sometimes subdivided into smaller meetings: preparative meetings, which prepare business for the monthly meetings; and meetings for worship, which generally create no records.

The records of the yearly meetings appear first in this guide, then the quarterly meetings, then monthly meetings. There are no separate entries for preparative meetings or meetings for worship; they are discussed under the appropriate monthly meeting.

The entries for each meeting include the following information:

1) Name. If a meeting changed names over the years, only one entry is made, under the name the meeting held for the longer time. “See...” references are made under all other known names. If two meetings merged to form a new meeting, all three are given entries. If the name of one of the merging meetings was retained, however, it is not given a new entry.

2) Place. The place given is the town the monthly meeting was based in for most of its life. It is mainly provided to give a general idea of a meeting’s region; many meetings met on a rotating basis in several locations. For quarterly meetings, the states which it covers are listed. This can help narrow down a search for a specific area.

3) A brief history of the meeting. For monthly meetings, this history will generally describe the meetings for worship that preceded the monthly meeting, tell where the meeting was set off from, list name changes, and describe which monthly meetings were set off or joined to the meeting. The history will also try to explain any confusing circumstances regarding the structure of the meeting. However, the histories generally make no effort to explain where the meetings met, or when meeting houses were built. Nor do these histories describe prominent members or dramatic events. This would be impossible to do well in a volume of this size. Published histories are available for many of the older meetings, and these are mentioned in the notes when possible.

4) Quarterly meetings (given only for monthly meetings). Since 1705, all monthly meetings in N.E.Y.M. have been constituent parts of a quarterly meeting. Before 1699, they were direct constituents of the Yearly Meeting.

5) Constituent meetings. Many different sorts of smaller meetings are listed here. This information is provided mainly as a way to determine where residents of a certain town may have attended monthly meeting at a specific date. The information is somewhat unreliable, especially regarding dates.

Formally constituted preparative meetings met for business, and reported monthly to their monthly meetings. Their dates, except in very early meetings, are generally easy to discern from monthly meeting minutes. Sometimes, a monthly meeting would have only one preparative meeting, or none. Generally, preparative meetings named after their monthly meetings are not listed. One problem is that there was no formal provision for preparative meetings between 1901 and 1950. Many preparative meetings continued to meet for business during this time, usually under the heading of “particular meeting”, and are listed as preparative meetings.

Other sorts of meetings may or may not have been formally connected to their monthly meetings, and include particular meetings, meetings for worship, indulged meetings, worship groups, allowed meetings and midweek meetings. No attempt has been made to distinguish between these types of meetings, which are all listed as “W.G”. The dates...
are often impossible to determine, as they kept no records, and monthly meetings have not always kept track of their existence. However, they are important, being at the center of the spiritual life of Friends. Generally, any meeting for business is also a meeting for worship, but is not listed separately as such.

6) Records. These tables show all the records of each meeting known to be in existence. For many of the newer meetings, no records have yet been sent to the archives; as a rule, very recent records can often be obtained only through the clerk of the meeting. The records are arranged in the following order: men’s minutes; women’s minutes; joint minutes; rough minutes; vital records; ministry and counsel or equivalent; committee records; miscellaneous loose papers; newsletters.

The information given includes the type of record, the dates covered by each record, the quantity, the location of the original, and the microfilm number (if any). See the glossary and list of abbreviations for details. All of the records with microfilm numbers are available on film at the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. In addition, those with asterisks are available at the Maine Historical Society, those with plus signs are available through the Family History Centers, and those with an @ symbol can be found at the Nantucket Historical Association. In some cases, records have been missing for many years, have never been sent to the Archives, and are presumed to be irretrievably lost; an effort have been made to show this. Researchers should know that meeting minutes are generally closed for a period of twenty years before being open to the public, except for the printed Yearly Meeting minutes.

Using the Friends Records for Genealogy:

Genealogists are the largest single group of researchers using the Friends records, but they often meet with frustration. One common misconception is that these records are neatly organized and indexed. While William W. Hinshaw’s Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy provided thorough indexes for the records of many yearly meetings, including New York, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and North Carolina, the New England records have never been completely indexed. The only access to information on New England Friends is usually through a search of the records, either on microfilm or in the original. Here are some important points to remember for typical genealogical problems.

1) It is important to know both place and time. If an individual moved around New England, it will be very helpful to sketch out a chronology of their travels.

2) All vital records are recorded by the Monthly Meeting. You will need to determine which monthly meetings your ancestor belonged to. If there is no monthly meeting named after their town, look it up in the index in the back of this book. The town may have held smaller meetings that were part of a larger nearby monthly meeting.

3) If their town is not indexed, examine the maps on pages 12 to 14 of this guide. Were there any meetings nearby? Until the age of automobile travel, it is unlikely that many practicing Friends lived more than a few miles away from at least a worship group. Even if they did maintain the “Discipline” of Friends in a distant town, their vital records would probably not be recorded by a Monthly Meeting.

4) If a probable Monthly Meeting can be determined, look at that meeting’s entry in the monthly meeting section. Check for vital records in the listing at the bottom of this entry. Are there any birth, death, marriage or membership records? Removals and denials are also useful (see glossary). Minutes are less useful for genealogy, but sometimes include marriage information, and occasionally memorials to the deceased.

5) If the records that you want have been microfilmed, this will be indicated in the last column: “Film#”. This is the microfilm number at the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. An asterisk indicates that it can also be found at the Maine Historical Society Library, and a plus sign indicates that it can be ordered from the Family History Centers operated by the Latter-Day Saints (Mormons). An @ symbol indicates that the film is available through the Nantucket Historical Association.

6) If the records have not been microfilmed, you will need to consult the original. The location of originals is given in the “Loc.” column. Most of them are on deposit at the Rhode Island Historical Society Library, which houses the official Archives of New England Yearly Meeting.

7) If you are researching early Friends (pre-Revolutionary), it is likely that you will not discover anything new in the vital records. Friends records have always been a major resource for colonial genealogy, and have been consulted for most
of the major reference works that you have already looked at. It is, however, possible to find new information in meeting minutes, to verify membership or residence in a location.


**A note on burial practices:**

Gravestone inscriptions have always been a foundation of genealogical research. However, early Friends generally disapproved of elaborate monuments, so Friends' burial grounds are often filled with rough unmarked fieldstones that provide little or no information. The official policy on this issue can be traced in the New England Yearly Meeting's *Book of Discipline*, which was first published in 1785 and updated periodically to the present time. The 1785 Discipline cites a 1717 edict on "the vain and empty custom of erecting monuments over the dead bodies of friends, by stones, inscriptions, tombstones, &c... All such monuments as are already in being over dead bodies of friends, should be removed..." This was modified in 1785; it was still advised that "none erect grave nor tomb-stones. But it is recommended to friends... to get in the practice of burying our dead in rows; grown people by themselves, and children by themselves, without any distinction of families or relatives..." In 1809, these restrictions were again quoted, but only as suggestions; "we do not feel disposed to enjoin any particular mode." In 1852, the Gurneyite discipline encouraged grave markers, but limited them to "a plain stone not to exceed fifteen inches in height above the surface of the ground, on which no inscription shall be made other than the name, date of death, and age of the deceased". In 1901, the Gurneyite discipline made no mention of accepted burial practice. The first printed Wilburite discipline in 1930 limited stones to "eight or ten inches above the ground, giving the name of the deceased, with age or appropriate dates." The reunited meeting produced its first discipline in 1950, which made no mention of burials.

These restrictions were followed to widely varying degrees in the various meetings across New England. Most meetings for worship had a burial ground located near the meeting house. Some of the early burial grounds are simple fields of unmarked stones, in the spirit of accepted discipline. Others are filled with elaborate stones by skilled carvers, some of which even use the Roman months instead of the accepted Friends practice of numbering months. Often, the more ostentatious stones are for persons who were not members of the meeting; they may have been close relatives of members, or perhaps attended the meetings occasionally without formally joining. Sometimes, even prominent Friends are found with large stones.

Most meetings, regardless of their policy on stones, did not keep careful records on the burials in their lots. The date and place of burial is sometimes recorded in the death registers. Often, meeting elders remembered where the bodies were buried. In his diary, Thomas B. "Nailer Tom" Hazard, a Friend from South Kingstown, R.I., often mentions being summoned to the burial ground to tell family members where to dig graves. Providence Monthly Meeting compiled a careful list of exhumations when they moved their burial ground in 1857, relying partly on similar recollections.

**A note on dates:**

From the earliest times, Friends considered it inconsistent with Christian practice to use the traditional "pagan" names for the days and months. Most of the days were named from Norse mythology, so the 1785 *Book of Discipline* mandated "First Day" in preference to the idolatrous "Sunday". Before the adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1752, "First Month" was used in place of March (a particularly offensive name, as it was "so denominated from Mars, feigned to be the god of war"). After 1752, "First Month" was used in place of "January", which had its roots in Roman legend. This usage is still common, though not universal, among Friends today.
Glossary

Acknowledgements:
A formal statement of apology by a member of the meeting, for having acted contrary to the rules of discipline. Members unwilling to provide such an acknowledgement were generally “denied” as members.

Birthright Friend:
A person born to parents who were members of a monthly meeting was considered a birthright member; see also “Convinced Friend”.

Births and deaths:
Early Quaker birth and death records are often disappointing to those who are told that Quakers were the best record-keepers in Colonial times. The records are usually arranged by family, in no particular order. They were often recorded after a family’s arrival at a meeting. Deaths of members without children were often not recorded, especially in meetings without membership books. Though of immense value, the birth and death records should not be taken as comprehensive or perfectly accurate. Since the mid-nineteenth century, vital records have generally been recorded in the form of a membership book.

Convinced Friend:
An applicant for membership to the Society of Friends, usually a longstanding meeting attender. Applications were reviewed by a committee of members who visited the applicant to determine their sincerity.

Deaths: See births and deaths.

Denials:
Also known as disownments. The involuntary termination of membership in a meeting, when the member acted contrary to established discipline. These denials are occasionally listed in separate volumes, but are generally described in great detail in the early monthly meeting minute books. A committee would usually be appointed to “labor with” the offender, and if they did not “meet satisfaction” the denial would follow. Common causes were marrying outside of Friends, attending the services of other denominations, military service, intemperance, slave ownership, or failure to attend meetings regularly. However, some of these offenses may have been overlooked by certain meetings at certain times.

Discipline:
A book compiling rules of behavior for Friends, as well as standards for meeting administration and manner of worship. In early years, the discipline was maintained by each meeting in manuscript form, and edited upon the arrival of epistles from the Yearly Meeting. The Yearly Meeting’s first printed discipline, the Book of Discipline, was published in 1785. Revisions have been published approximately every twenty years since; the most recent is the 1986 Faith and Practice. During the Wilburite/Gurneyite split from 1845 to 1945, two separate disciplines were maintained.

Disownments: See denials.

Epistles:
Formal communications from other meetings. These are generally messages of greeting, and usually have more spiritual than informational content.

Financial records: See treasurers.

Gurneyites:
The common term for the members of the larger of the two yearly meetings in New England between 1845 and 1945. Gurneyites were involved in evangelical activities, and had a more programmed form of worship, in contrast to the more conservative Wilburites. See the entry for New England Yearly Meeting (G).

Joint minutes: See minutes.
Laid down:  
The term for a meeting that has been formally discontinued by its quarterly or yearly meeting. Generally, the meeting’s membership, assets and records have been transferred as a group to another nearby meeting.

Marriages:  
Most early Quaker marriage records provide a transcript of the entire marriage certificate. The marriage was generally recorded in the home meeting of the bride. Lists of witnesses are usually provided. Though these lists are not original signatures, and not all of the witnesses were always members, they are often the closest thing to a membership list for early meetings. One problem with using the early marriage records is that the dates are written in longhand, and embedded in the middle of the certificate, where they are often difficult to locate quickly.

Many of the early minute books also provide information on marriages, as a committee was appointed to investigate the couple’s clearness, which would report back to the monthly meeting.

Meeting for business:  
Any meeting which discussed the formal affairs of the meeting (in a worshipful manner) in addition to meeting for worship. Meetings for business could include yearly, quarterly, monthly or preparative meetings, or committees of any of these.

Meeting for Sufferings:  
Originally, these meetings documented property that had been confiscated from Quakers for obeying their peace testimony. As the persecution declined, the meeting for sufferings evolved into an education and publication committee.

Meeting for worship:  
The term is used here to refer to meetings which do not meet for business, and which have their affairs carried out through a monthly meeting. Over the years, many other names have been used for this sort of meeting, including indulged meeting, particular meeting and allowed meeting. Worship group is currently the most common term.

In a broader sense, all meetings generally meet for worship as well as business. This guide might describe a town as holding a worship group through 1955, which then changed to a preparative meeting. It should be inferred that the meetings for worship continued.

Membership:  
A membership book is generally a listing of members, which provides in table form vital statistics, date of membership, removals and denials.

Memorials:  
A formal testimony to a deceased Friend. Memorials were, until recently, uncommon except for “weighty Friends”, and were recorded (if at all) in minute books or separate volumes, most frequently by the Yearly Meeting. It is now much more common for monthly meetings to include memorials to the departed in the meeting minutes. Memorials generally focus on the spiritual aspects of their subjects’ lives, but often contain other biographical information.

Men’s minutes: See minutes.

Miscellaneous loose papers:  
Of course, this can mean virtually anything. Generally, when miscellaneous loose papers are referred to in this inventory, they might include epistles received, financial records, historical notes, reports, property records, memorials, certificates issued to travelling ministers, or removal certificates.

Ministers:  
Men and women who were particularly inspired and vocal in meetings for worship might be recorded as ministers by their monthly meetings. Ministers and elders often held separate meetings to help guide the spiritual life of the monthly meeting. The recording of ministers is still continued in New England, but is much less common now. See also ministry and counsel.
Ministry and counsel:
A committee that cares for the spiritual health of a meeting. Older names for essentially the same function have been ministry and oversight; select meeting; ministers and elders; or overseers. Sometimes these would be called “Preparative Meetings for Ministers and Elders”, though their jurisdiction was for the entire monthly meeting. The meeting for sufferers has also sometimes filled a similar mission.

Ministry and oversight: See ministry and counsel.

Minutes:
The formal record of a meeting for business, kept by an appointed clerk. The information contained in minutes varies widely depending on the date and the meeting. Most minutes contain deliberations on matters like disownments, removals, marriages, meeting houses, creation or dissolution of subordinate meetings, and reports from committees. The minutes do not list attenders, though they do often list official representatives from preparative meetings. Few minute books have been indexed.

Before about 1890, most meetings were held separately for men and women; men’s minutes and women’s minutes generally cover the same issues, though one or the other might go into more detail. After 1890, most meetings met jointly. After the novelty of this arrangement wore off, the phrase ”joint minutes” fell out of favor, but the term is used in this guide through the present for older meetings.

Monthly Meeting:
The basic administrative unit of the Society of Friends, which meets once each month for business. The monthly meeting has always held responsibility for recording all sorts of membership information. Some monthly meetings have been sub-divided into preparative meetings, which prepare official business for discussion. In these cases, the location of the monthly meeting generally rotates between the preparative meetings. Since 1705, all monthly meetings have been part of quarterly meetings.

Newsletters:
Since 1945, many monthly and quarterly meetings have begun to publish their own newsletters. They vary in content, but generally contain event information, memorials, news regarding members, and at least a summary of the minutes.

Otisites:
A small group of friends who separated from the Wilburites in 1863 and rejoined them in 1911; also known as the “Primitive” meeting.

Overseers: See ministry and counsel.

Preparative meeting:
A formal meeting for business, which prepares business for its monthly meeting. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, most monthly meetings were composed of two or more preparative meetings. By current common practice, a meeting for worship will become a preparative meeting only as an intermediary step to becoming a monthly meeting.

From 1901 to 1950, there was no formal provision for preparative meetings in the discipline used by the Gurneyite Friends. A few of the old preparative meetings carried on despite this, often because there was property under their name.

To confuse the issue, many monthly meetings held “Preparative Meetings for Ministers and Elders”. These were generally under monthly meeting jurisdiction, and reported directly to quarterly meetings for ministers and elders. These records are listed as monthly meeting records in this guide. For more, see “Ministry and Counsel”.

Quarterly meeting:
An intermediary body between the yearly and monthly meetings, generally meeting four times each year for business.
Queries:
A standard set of questions regarding a meeting’s adherence to discipline, usually answered in epistles or in minute books.

Removals:
A certificate of removal is granted by request to members in good standing who wish to transfer their membership from one monthly meeting to another. These certificates may be recorded by the granting meeting in the minutes books or in separate volumes. They are sometimes preserved by the receiving meeting as loose papers, and new members are often mentioned in the minutes as well.

Select meeting: See ministry and counsel.

Separation of 1845:
The division of New England Yearly Meeting into “Gurneyite” and “Wilburite” yearly meetings.

State of the Society reports:
Annual reports, prepared by monthly meetings, which usually combine statistical information with an assessment of the meeting’s spiritual health.

Sufferings: See meeting for sufferings.

Testimonies:
The basic core practices of the Society of Friends. Important testimonies include rejection of oaths, plain dress and language, refusal to bear arms, opposition to slavery, and equality of men and women.

Treasurers:
Monthly and quarterly meetings have independent budgets, which are administered by a treasurer. Income generally comes from donations and trust funds, and is expended mostly on care of the meeting house, support of the Yearly Meeting, and various charitable projects.

Vital records:
A general term for births, deaths, marriage or membership information for a monthly meeting’s members.

Wilburites:
The common term for members of the smaller of the two yearly meetings in New England between 1845 and 1945. Wilburites maintained the more conservative traditions of silent worship, in contrast to the more evangelical Gurneyites, who preferred “programmed” meetings. The Wilburites had their own division from 1863 to 1911, during which the Otisites held their own “Primitive” annual meeting.

Women’s minutes: See minutes.

Yearly Meeting:
An administrative body which supports large-scale Friends projects, such as missionary activities, schools, the archives, and publications. It is composed of quarterly meetings, which are in turn composed of monthly meetings. The term yearly meeting can also refer to the general Friends gathering and meeting for business held each summer. New England Yearly Meeting is only one of several yearly meetings in the United States and across the globe.
The New England Yearly Meeting Archives

The official New England Yearly Meeting Archives is located at the Rhode Island Historical Society Library, 121 Hope Street, Providence, RI, 02906. Original records housed at the Archives are noted in this guide by “RI” under the location column.

These records can be viewed by appointment, during normal library hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 9 to 5, and Sunday 12 to 4. The library also has a nearly complete set of those records which have been microfilmed; no appointment is necessary to view the microfilms. Please call the library at (401) 331-8575 before planning a trip, as hours may change.

In addition to the official records of New England Yearly Meeting, a substantial Quaker library can be found at the Archives. This includes books, pamphlets, personal papers, audio tape, periodicals, photographs and slides. While this guide is not the place for a detailed listing of these materials, it might be useful to provide a general impression of the resources available.

Audio Tape:
The archives has a small collection of 83 cassette tapes, including oral history, lectures, and some Yearly Meeting sessions. There is also a 1991 videotape on the meeting houses of New England.

Books:
There is an extensive library at the Archives, including most of the seminal general works on Friends theology and history, as well as many works relating specifically to New England Friends. Unfortunately, this library is not cataloged on any national data base, though there is a local database catalog at the Archives.

Microfilm:
Many of the earlier records (and some newer ones) in the possession of the Archives have been microfilmed, as indicated in the preceding guide. Positive copies of all of these films are available in the reading room of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and can be viewed without an appointment at any time the library is open.

Pamphlets:
The Archives hold a collection of almost 2000 pamphlets, including many dating back to the eighteenth century. They are accessible through a database at the archives, by author, title, date or publisher.

Periodicals:
The Archives no longer collects periodicals (except for meeting newsletters), but retains many of those collected in the past. The following are among the more voluminous; none are complete runs.

*The American Friend*, 1894-1961
*Friends Quarterly Examiner*, 1875-1916, 1936
*Friends Review*, 1847-1892
*Quaker Life*, 1960-1982
*Quaker History*, 1962-1985
*Bulletin of the Friends Historical Association*, 1937-1961
*Friends Intelligencer*, 1893-1955
**Personal Papers:**

The personal papers of several Friends are housed in the Archives. A detailed guide and index to the Moses Brown Papers has been prepared. Though the Archives no longer actively collects personal papers, these are some of the larger collections already in its possession.

- **Moses Brown**  
  Providence M.M.  
  1713-1836  
  1 ft.

- **Rowland Greene**  
  Greenwich M.M.  
  1816-1846  
  0.25 ft.

- **Daniel Howland**  
  Greenwich M.M.  
  1724-1802  
  0.5 ft.

- **Augustin Jones**  
  Providence M.M.  
  1776-1953  
  0.5 ft.

- **Paige Family**  
  Sandwich M.M.  
  ca.1880-1960  
  0.5 ft.

- **Job Scott**  
  Providence M.M.  
  ca. 1750-1800  
  0.5 ft.

- **George Selleck**  
  Cambridge M.M.  
  ca. 1900-1950  
  0.25 ft.

- **Slade Family**  
  Swansea M.M.  
  1776-1880  
  0.5 ft.

- **Swift Family**  
  Worcester M.M.  
  1890-1942  
  0.5 ft.

- **Willis White**  
  Providence M.M.  
  1880-1942  
  0.25 ft.

- **White Family**  
  Greenwich M.M.  
  ca. 1820-1970  
  0.5 ft.

**Photographs and Slides:**

The Archives hold several boxes of photographs of meeting houses, and meetings. While this collection is inadequately cataloged, it is still a valuable resource for anyone interested in the visual history of the Yearly Meeting.

**Other Repositories**

Not all of the records of the New England Yearly Meeting have found their way to the Archives. Many are scattered in libraries across New England. Many of the more recent records are still in the possession of the meetings that created them, as there is no formal procedure to ensure their deposit in the Archives on a regular basis.

**DL: Old Dartmouth Historical Society**

**HA: Hanover Friends Meetinghouse**
The records of Hanover Friends Meeting have been microfilmed, but the originals are still in the possession of the meeting. Mailing address: Clerk, Hanover Friends Meeting, 43 Lebanon St., Hanover NH 03755.

**HS: Rhode Island Historical Society Library, Manuscript Collection**
Though the New England Yearly Meeting Archives are located at this library, they are still owned by the Yearly Meeting. However, a few items, marked HS, are actually in the possession of the R.I. Historical Society, and in their general manuscript collection. Call the Manuscripts Curator at (401) 331-8575 for an appointment to see MSS 148, Society of Friends Records.

**MH: Maine Historical Society Library**
Many of the records of Maine meetings have been deposited here. The earlier records have for the most part been microfilmed, and are available on film at both the Rhode Island and Maine Historical Society Libraries. The hours are Tuesday through Friday 10-4, and every fourth Saturday 10-4. Their number is (207) 774-1822.

**NA: Nantucket Historical Association**
Housed at the Peter Folger Library; holds most of the records of the various Nantucket meetings. Mailing address: Box 1016, Nantucket, MA, 02554. Phone: (508) 228-1655.
NW: Newport Historical Society
Holds most of the early records of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting.
Mailing address: 82 Touro St., Newport, RI 02840. Phone: (401) 846-0813.

SH: Sandwich Historical Society
Holds the records of Sandwich (N.H.) Monthly Meeting. P.O. Box 106, Center Sandwich, NH 03227. Phone: (603) 284-6269. Their summer hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11-5; for other months, contact Robin Dustin, the Director, at (603) 284-7740.

WE: Weare Monthly Meeting
This is the only early monthly meeting to retain its early records; they may eventually be deposited at the New Hampshire Historical Society. The current contact is Elizabeth Straw, (603) 529-2316.

Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region
This Ohio-based yearly meeting currently includes Newport and Portsmouth Monthly Meetings. For information on their records, contact the Friends Archives, Everett L. Cattell Library, Malone College, Canton, OH 44709.

Family History Centers
Sponsored by the Church of the Latter-Day Saints (the Mormons), branches of these libraries are available throughout the country, and are open to the public. Though they have no original records, they can provide access to a wide variety of microfilms for a small fee. Films in this guide available through the Family History Centers are marked with a “+”. Call (801) 240-2745, extension 2364 to determine the nearest branch library, or for other information.

New York Yearly Meeting Archives
Some meetings within New York Yearly Meeting have met within the boundaries of New England, especially in Connecticut and Vermont. The New York Yearly Meeting Archives were recently transferred to the Friends Historical Library at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore PA, 19081. The phone number is (610) 328-8496. Most of the early records are also available on microfilm at several major research libraries throughout the state of New York.

Quaker research libraries
General historical research will often extend beyond the official records described here, and into the publications and personal papers of individual Friends. Personal papers of New England Friends (correspondence, diaries, memoirs, etc.) can be found at countless different libraries, especially in state historical societies and university library special collections. It would be nearly impossible to provide a complete list here. Two important places to check, which might not be obvious to researchers, are the extensive Quaker collections at Swarthmore College (mentioned above) and Haverford College, both in Pennsylvania. The addresses are: Friends Historical Library at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore PA, 19081, (610) 328-8496; and Quaker Collection at the Haverford College Library, Haverford PA 19041, (610) 896-1161.
Selected Bibliography


— — — — — Miscellaneous guides and maps of meetings for worship, published 1825, 1833, 1836, 1849, 1889.


Important published works on specific meetings have been noted under the individual meeting histories whenever possible, although some have certainly been missed.

In general, most of the meeting history information in this guide was summarized from Foster’s “Guide...”, checked against the original minutes whenever possible, and then double-checked against Hill’s wonderful Monthly Meetings in North America. Other sources were used as available. To save space, the information was not footnoted, but more detailed information on sources is available in a file at the Archives.
Friends Meetings in New England, 1710

Local meetings are linked to monthly meetings by heavy lines. There were no meetings in Maine, Vermont or Connecticut.
Friends Meetings in New England, 1833

Based on an 1833 map published by New England Yearly Meeting.

Local meetings are linked to monthly meetings by heavy lines.

(H): meeting with both Orthodox and Hicksite groups.

*Italics:* part of New York Yearly Meeting.

Not pictured: Dartmouth, Nova Scotia (meeting for worship under Nantucket)
Friends Meetings in New England, 1997

- Unprogrammed Meeting
- Programmed Meeting (with Pastor)
- Programmed & Unprogrammed Meetings for Worship (with Pastor)
- Programmed & Unprogrammed Meetings for Worship (without Pastor)
- Unprogrammed Meeting outside New England Yearly Meeting
- Programmed Meeting outside New England Yearly Meeting (with Pastor)
- Evangelical Friends Church – Eastern Region
- New York Yearly Meeting

*Italics* = Preparative Meeting or Worship Group
Yearly Meetings

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(known 1845-1945 as YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS IN NEW ENGLAND
or the “Gurneyites”; “Larger Body”)

The Society of Friends was born in northern England in the early 1650s, largely through the teachings of charismatic leader George Fox. Friends began arriving in New England in 1656, and were heavily persecuted, but soon managed to form at least seven local meetings. The first General Meeting of Friends in America met in Newport, Rhode Island in 1661. George Fox visited New England in 1672; largely though his influence, the structure was formalized as the New England Yearly Meeting for Business. The monthly meetings for business were formally constituted at this time. New York Yearly Meeting was set off in 1695.

Between 1699 and 1705, three quarterly meetings began meeting for business; beginning in 1707, representatives to Yearly Meeting were appointed by these intermediary bodies, rather than by monthly meetings.

The Yearly Meeting made its first attempt to establish its own school in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, which only lasted from 1784 to 1788. Though this effort failed, the Friends Boarding School in Providence was established in 1819 with much greater success, and survives today as the Moses Brown School. It was co-educational until a separate girl’s school, the Lincoln School in Providence, was purchased in 1926. The Oak Grove School in Vassalboro, Maine was established in 1849.

The Hicksite split that began in Philadelphia in 1828 did not affect New England Yearly Meeting, except for Nantucket Monthly Meeting. However, the yearly meeting was deeply divided in 1845 between followers of Joseph John Gurney of England, who favored a more evangelical and pastoral route, and followers of John Wilbur of Hopkinton, R.I., who preferred a simpler unprogrammed form of worship. The more numerous followers of Gurney came to be known as Gurneyites, the “Larger Body”, or the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England. The followers of Wilbur were known as Wilburites, the “Smaller Body”, or the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends. Many monthly meetings were divided between these two camps, especially in Rhode Island and southern Massachusetts.

In the years following the Civil War, many changes took place among Gurneyite Friends, reflecting national trends. The evangelical approach was reflected in missionary activity abroad. A larger administrative structure grew in the Yearly Meeting to support these and other efforts. Efforts toward creating a national Quaker organization led to the establishment of the Five Years Meeting of Friends in 1902, with New England as a founding member.

By 1945, there were only three remaining Wilburite meetings. A general unification of New England meetings occurred. Independent meetings in the Connecticut Valley, Cambridge and Providence were united with the Gurneyite and Wilburite meetings into the New England Yearly Meeting.

Though the membership of the united New England Yearly Meeting has not increased greatly since 1945, the meeting has shown evidence of revitalization in other ways. The Yearly Meeting now supports a wide variety of committees, addressing spiritual, political, financial and social concerns. It employs a Youth Secretary, a Field Secretary and an Administrative Secretary, and maintains its own archives. It belongs to two national Quaker organizations, the Friends United Meeting and the Friends General Conference. It also supports the New England Friends Home, a camp in China, Maine, and several Friends schools. Perhaps most importantly, though the meeting may always have tensions between the conservative and liberal groups, these groups now work together toward common goals.

A more detailed history of Friends in New England can be found in Faith and Practice of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, published in 1985. Also, consult the bibliography on page 11.
Meetings for Worship (before formal meetings for business)

- Boston W.G. 1661-1672
- Oyster Bay W.G. 1657-1672 (also Long Island or Flushing)
- Piscataqua W.G. 1659-1672
- Rhode Island W.G. 1657-1672
- Salem W.G. 1657-1672
- Sandwich W.G. 1657-1672
- Scituate W.G. b.1660-1672

Monthly Meetings (before the establishment of Quarterly Meetings):

- Dover M.M. 1701-1706
- Greenwich M.M. 1700-1706
- Hampton M.M. 1701-1706
- Narragansett M.M. 1699-1700 (became Greenwich M.M.)
- Oyster Bay M.M. 1672-1695
- Piscataqua M.M. 1672-1701
- Rhode Island M.M. 1672-1706
- Salem M.M. 1672-1706
- Sandwich M.M. 1672-1706
- Scituate M.M. 1672-1706

Quarterly Meetings:

- Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1944-present
- Dover Q.M. 1815-present
- Fairfield Q.M. 1841-1952
- Narragansett Q.M. 1945-1951
- Northwest Q.M. 1959-present
- Parsonsfield Q.M. 1888-1938
- Rhode Island Q.M. 1699-1971
- Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1971-present
- Salem Q.M. 1705-present
- Sandwich Q.M. 1705-present
- Smithfield Q.M. 1801-present
- Vassalboro Q.M. 1813-present

The following meetings are listed as “occasional meetings for worship” or “other meetings for worship” in the Yearly Meeting minutes from 1947 onward. They are presumably under the loose jurisdiction of the Yearly Meeting, without specific monthly or quarterly meeting ties. None of these meetings have records at the NEYM Archives; it is uncertain whether many of them ever created any records at all. Some, as indicated, were later joined to other formal meetings.

- Acushnet, Mass. 1956-1958 (also Long Plain; see New Bedford M.M.)
- Adams, Mass. 1955-present (joined Cambridge M.M.)
- Andover, Mass. 1981-1985 (?) (joined N. Sandwich M.M.)
- Camden, Me. (also Megunticook) 1985-present (informally affiliated with Midcoast M.M.)
- Casco, Me. 1951-1989 (joined N. Sandwich M.M.)
- Center Sandwich, N.H. 1978-1981 (joined N. Sandwich M.M.)
- Dartmouth, Mass. (also Apponegansett) 1947-1974 (see Dartmouth M.M.)
- East Benton, Me. 1947-1953 (to North Fairfield M.M.)
- Fort Fairfield, Me. 1947-1959 (?) (see Maple Grove M.M.)
- Henniker, N.H. 1956-1974 (joined Weare M.M.)
- Jamestown, R.I. 1951-1970 (joined Providence M.M. as Conanicut W.G.)
- Little Compton, R.I. 1952-1989 (became monthly meeting)
- Martha’s Vineyard, Mass. 1979-1983 (became monthly meeting)
Nantucket, Mass. 1946-1990 (joined Sandwich Q.M.)
Newport, R.I. 1975-1986; 1993-present (see Providence M.M.)
Quinebaug Valley (in Pomfret, Conn.) 1982-1985 (later in Storrs M.M.)
South Pittsfield, N.H. (also Pittsfield) 1967-1974 (joined Weare M.M.)
South Yarmouth, Mass. 1947-1949 (see Sandwich M.M.)
Springvale, Mass. 1974-1976
Waterville, Me. 1959-1961
West Epping, N.H. 1947-1972 (joined Dover M.M.)

Records of New England Yearly Meeting, arranged under several broad categories:

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NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING (W)
(or the “Wilburites”, “Smaller Body”)

In 1845, New England Yearly Meeting was divided by disputes over the proper manner of Friends worship. The more conservative of the two resulting yearly meetings retained the name “New England Yearly Meeting”, and was generally known as the Wilburites or the Smaller Body. In 1863, this meeting was once again divided, when Nantucket Monthly Meeting withdrew to form an Annual Meeting of Friends for New England, generally known as the Otisite or Primitive meeting. This meeting returned to the Wilburites in 1911.

The Wilburite yearly meeting was held in Newport until 1884, after which it was held in Westerly, Rhode Island. Their numbers gradually dwindled, until by 1945 only three monthly meetings remained. At that time, it re-joined with the Larger Body, as well as with three independent meetings, to form one united New England Yearly Meeting.

Technically, the Wilburites and the Gurneyites should be considered equal heirs to the New England Yearly Meeting tradition. The Wilburites should not be considered a "splinter" group. However, they are listed as a distinct group here because their records were kept separately; the Gurneyites controlled the old record books in 1845.

Quarterly Meetings:

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Rhode Island Q.M. 1844-1935
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(or the “Primitive Meeting”, “Otisites”)
See also New England Quarterly Meeting.

This independent meeting separated from portions of the Wilburite New England Yearly Meeting in 1863. It met annually in Newport from 1863 through 1885. At that point, yearly meetings ceased to be held, and all powers of the yearly meeting were transferred to its one quarterly meeting, which was renamed as the New England Quarterly Meeting. This meeting rejoined the Wilburites in 1911 as Nantucket Monthly Meeting (W), though it met in Warwick, R.I.

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. (O) 1863-1885

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NEW YORK YEARLY MEETING

Several meetings within the geographical boundaries of New England, especially in Vermont and western Connecticut, have long been part of various New York Yearly Meetings. These are listed for convenience; for the location of their records, inquire with New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore College.

New York Yearly Meeting was founded in 1695, when it was set off from New England. Like its parent meeting, it has been affected by several splits. The Hicksite/Orthodox split of 1828 affected many meetings, and some of the Orthodox meetings were split along Wilburite/Gurneyite lines in 1847. The Wilburite meetings were divided between Otisites and Kingites in 1859, but this schism was healed in 1881. All New York meetings were reunited in 1955. For a full history, see Quaker Crosscurrents: Three Hundred Years of Friends in the New York Yearly Meetings, ed. by Hugh Barbour et al (Syracuse University Press, 1995).

The following monthly meetings under New York jurisdiction were based in whole or in part in the New England states. The years are given only for periods that include New England meetings. Each is described in more detail in the monthly meeting chapter. No effort is made to track their various quarterly meetings.

Danby M.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Vt. and N.Y.) 1795-1924
East Hoosack M.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Mass.) 1783-1847
Ferrisburgh M.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH/NYW) (Vt.) 1813-1952
Housatonic M.M. (NYU) (Conn.) 1971-present
Monkton M.M. (NYP/NYU) (Vt.) 1801-1813, 1903-present
Nantucket M.M. (NYH) (Mass.) 1830-1846
Nine Partners M.M. (NYP/NYO) (N.Y., Conn., Mass.) 1769-1839
Oblong M.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) (N.Y., Conn.) 1744-1884
Peru M.M. (NYP/NYH) (N.Y., Vt.) 1799-1868
Purchase M.M. (NYP/NYH/NYU) (N.Y., Conn.) 1725-1953
Saratoga M.M. (NYP) (N.Y., Vt., Mass.) 1778-1795
Stamford-Greenwich M.M. (NYU) (Conn.) 1953-present
Starksboro M.M. (NYP/NYO/NYW) (Vt.) 1813-1881
South Starksboro M.M. (NYU) (Vt.) (transferred to N.E.Y.M.) 1952-1975
West Hartford M.M. (NYP) (Conn.) 1805-1819
Wilton M.M. (NYU) (Conn.) 1947-present
OHIO YEARLY MEETING (EFC)
EVANGELICAL FRIENDS CHURCH, EASTERN REGION

Due to doctrinal differences, Rhode Island Monthly Meeting split in 1951; the larger part transferred from New England Yearly Meeting to Ohio Yearly Meeting at Damascus. This Rhode Island Monthly Meeting was divided in 1960. The name of the yearly meeting was changed in 1970 to the Eastern Region Yearly Meeting of the Evangelical Friends Church, and currently has two New England-based meetings in its Pennsylvania Quarterly Meeting.

Monthly Meetings:
- Newport M.M. 1961-present
- Portsmouth M.M. 1961-present
- Rhode Island M.M. 1950-1960

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No records at N.E.Y.M. Archives. Contact Friends Archives at Malone College, Ohio.

INDEPENDENT MEETINGS:

The following independent meetings are comparable to monthly meetings, and are given full treatment in the monthly meeting section:

- Friends Meeting at Cambridge 1937-1944
- Connecticut Valley Association of Friends, 1935-1944 (see Quarterly Meeting section)
- Pleasant Valley Monthly Meeting, 1952-1967
- Providence Friends Fellowship Meeting 1935-1944 (joined to Providence Monthly Meeting)
- Rhode Island Monthly Meeting 1864
- Sandwich Monthly Meeting, Timothy Davis Separation, 1781-1815
- Swansea Monthly Meeting 1863-1864
- Valley Street Monthly Meeting 1962-a.1974
- Vermont and New Hampshire Friends 1954-1956 (see Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting)

The following meetings are among those listed in the Yearly Meeting minutes from 1946 to 1964 as being independent and outside of any Yearly Meeting. Their records, if any exist, are not in the Yearly Meeting archives.

- Bangor, Me. 1947-1951
- Brockton, Mass. 1946
- Brunswick, Me. 1956-1957
- East Marion, Mass. 1946-1947
- Steuben, Me. 1963
Quarterly Meetings

CONNECTICUT VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS (I)
(Conn., Mass., Vt., N.H.)

The origins of this meeting were in 1908, when casual meetings of Friends from this region began meeting once each year in the Springfield, Massachusetts area, and occasionally elsewhere. In 1935, they began meeting in Hartford, Connecticut as the Connecticut Valley Association of Friends, unaffiliated with a yearly meeting, as “a temporary organization to promote fellowship among...meetings in and adjacent to the Connecticut Valley.” It was loosely organized as the equivalent of a quarterly meeting, and Hartford, Northampton and New Haven assumed the status of monthly meetings. In 1944, this group joined New England Yearly Meeting as part of the general unification.

For more information, see the 1985 "History of the Mount Toby Friends Meeting" in the Mount Toby M.M. records.

Monthly Meetings:
Connecticut: Hartford M.M. 1935-1944
New Haven M.M. 1935-1944
Northampton M.M. 1938-1944

Massachusetts: Amherst W.G. 1925, 1943-1944
South Hadley W.G. 1935-1944 (also Middle/Upper Conn. Valley W.G.)
Springfield W.G. 1935-1944
Exeter W.G. 1942-1944
Brattleboro W.G. 1944
Greenfield W.G. 1940-1944
Putney W.G. 1942-1944

Other meetings:
Connecticut: Hartford M.M. 1935-1944
New Haven M.M. 1935-1944
Northampton M.M. 1938-1944

Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting (U)
(Conn., Mass., Vt., N.H.)
(see also Connecticut Valley Association of Friends M.M.)

This meeting joined New England Yearly Meeting in 1944; it had previously been the independent Connecticut Valley Association of Friends. Northwest Quarterly Meeting was set off in 1959.

Monthly Meetings:
Connecticut: Guilford M.M. 1957-1966
Hartford M.M. 1944-present
Litchfield Hills M.M. 1980-present
Middletown M.M. 1956-present
New Haven M.M. 1944-present
New London M.M. 1967-present
Storrs M.M. 1963-present
Watertown M.M. 1975-1980 (continued as Litchfield Hills M.M.)

Massachusetts: Middle Connecticut Valley M.M. 1945-1964 (continued as Mt. Toby M.M.)
Mount Toby M.M. 1964-present
Northampton M.M. 1944-1945 (continued as Middle Conn. Valley M.M.)
Pleasant Street M.M. 1963-1973
South Berkshire M.M. 1984-present

New Hampshire:
Monadnock M.M. 1958-1973
South Berkshire M.M. 1984-present

Vermont:
Upper Connecticut Valley M.M. 1956-1959

Other meetings:
Cornwall W.G. (Conn.) 1993-present
Springfield W.G. (Mass.) 1945-1946

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DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(New Hampshire, Maine)

Dover Quarterly Meeting was formed in 1815 from Salem Quarterly Meeting.

Monthly Meetings:
New Hampshire: Concord M.M. 1967-present
Dover M.M. 1815-present
Gonic M.M. 1981-present
Sandwich M.M. 1815-1888
Weare M.M. 1958-present

Maine: Berwick M.M. 1815-1951

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DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING (W)
(Maine)

This Dover Quarterly Meeting was formed in the split of 1845, and merged in 1851 to become Salem and Dover Quarterly Meeting, which in turn was joined to Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1881.

Monthly Meetings:
Maine: Berwick M.M. (W) 1845-1851

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FAIRFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(Maine)

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting was set off from Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting in 1841, and returned there in 1952.

Monthly Meetings:

Maine:

Cornville M.M. 1901-1907
Fairfield M.M. 1911-1935 (continued as North Fairfield M.M.)
Litchfield M.M. 1841-1888
North Fairfield 1935-1952
St. Albans M.M. 1841-1928
Sidney M.M. 1841-1932
Winthrop M.M. 1888-1952

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Men’s and joint minutes | 1841-1928 | 2 vol.   | MH   | 160*
Joint minutes | 1928-1952 | 1 vol.   | MH   | 161*
Women’s minutes | 1841-1881 | 1 vol.   | MH   | 161*
Ministers and elders | 1867-1900 | 1 vol.   | MH   | 161*
Miscellaneous loose papers | 1880-1951 | 1 fol.   | MH   | 0

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(Maine and New Hampshire)

Falmouth Q.M. was set off from Salem Q.M. in 1794. In 1813, Vassalboro Q.M. was set off from Falmouth Q.M. Parsonsfield Q.M. was set off from 1888 to 1938.

Monthly Meetings:

Maine:

Brunswick M.M. 1983-present
Harlem M.M. 1813
Durham M.M. 1794-present
Falmouth M.M. 1794-1974 (also Oak Street M.M., 1855-1974)
Forest Avenue M.M. 1934-1974 (continued as Portland M.M.)
Leeds M.M. 1813
Lewiston M.M. 1891-1913; 1980-present
Limington M.M. 1846-1888
Parsonsfield M.M. 1938-present
Portland M.M. 1974-present
Sidney M.M. 1802-1813
Vassalboro M.M. 1794-1813
Waterboro M.M. 1982-present
Windham M.M. 1803-present

New Hampshire:

North Sandwich M.M. 1983-present
Sandwich M.M. 1938-1983 (continued as North Sandwich M.M.)

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Men’s minutes | 1794-1804 | 1 vol.   | MH   | 117*
Men’s minutes | 1794-1849 | 1 vol.   | MH   | 117*
Men’s and joint minutes | 1849-1946 | 4 vol.   | MH   | 101*
Joint minutes | 1946-1966 | Location unknown. |       |       
Joint minutes | 1966-1987 | 3 vol.   | MH   | 0
Joint minutes | 1983-1996 | 1 fol.   | RI   | 0
NARRAGANSETT QUARTERLY MEETING (W/U)
(Rhode Island and Massachusetts)

This meeting was formed as an intermediate step in the unification of the two yearly meetings. It was formed in 1944 under the Wilburite meeting to succeed the Rhode Island and Sandwich Q.M. as its one quarterly meeting, but including the unified Providence Monthly Meeting. After the unification, it remained until 1951, when it was merged with Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts: North Dartmouth M.M. 1944-1951
Rhode Island: Providence M.M. 1944-1951
South Kingstown M.M. 1944-1945 (became Westerly M.M.)
Westerly M.M. 1945-1951

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NEW ENGLAND QUARTERLY MEETING (O)
Also Sandwich Q.M. (O)
See also Annual Meeting of Friends for New England
(Massachusetts and Rhode Island)

This meeting split off from the Wilburite Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1863, and was also called the Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. It was commonly known as the “Otisite” or “Primitive” meeting. When the Otisite yearly meeting was stopped in 1885, this quarterly meeting assumed yearly meeting responsibilities, and was renamed New England Quarterly Meeting. It rejoined with the Wilburite meeting in 1911.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts and R.I.: Nantucket (O) M.M. 1863-1911

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NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING (U)
(Vermonst and New Hampshire)

Northwest Quarterly Meeting was formed in 1959 by the division of the rapidly expanding Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting; it had formerly been part of the Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting. The administrative structure of meetings in this area has been more loose than in other New England meetings. Until the 1990s, the Quarterly Meeting and its monthly meetings provided only informal care to the independent worship groups within its boundaries. These worship groups were often based on only a handful of families, and were often transitory in nature. Any attempt to list them must be somewhat imprecise.

Monthly Meetings:
Vermont: Barton-Glover M.M. 1992-present
Bennington M.M. 1962-present
Burlington M.M. 1959-present
Middlebury M.M. 1976-present
Plainfield M.M. 1965-present
Putney M.M. 1969-present
South Starksboro M.M. 1975-1982, 1996-present
Wilderness M.M. 1978-present
New Hampshire: Hanover M.M. 1959-present
Keene M.M. 1980-1990
Monadnock M.M. 1973-present
Quaker City Unity M.M. 1993-present

Other Meetings:
Pawlet W.G. 1992
Perkinsville W.G. 1984
Rockingham W.G. (Vt.) 1959-1960
Rutland W.G. 1984
Sheldon W.G. 1979
Springfield W.G. 1985
Strafford W.G. 1982
Thetford W.G. 1982
Westford W.G. 1984

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Newsletter 1959-1995 5 fol.  RI      0

The only complete file of minutes for this meeting is contained in the newsletters.

PARSONSFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING (G)
(Main and New Hampshire)

Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting was set off from Falmouth Quarterly meeting in 1888, and returned there in 1938.

Monthly Meetings:
Maine: Parsonsfield M.M. 1888-1938
New Hampshire: Sandwich M.M. 1888-1938

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Joint minutes  1888-1938  1 vol.  MH    165*
Ministry and oversight  1911-1938  1 vol.  MH    165*
Miscellaneous loose papers  1894-1933  4 items  MH    0
RHODE ISLAND QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(Rhode Island, Massachusetts and briefly New Hampshire)

Rhode Island was the first Quarterly Meeting in the present New England Yearly Meeting, and began meeting for business in 1699. Smithfield Quarterly Meeting was set off in 1801. Narragansett Quarterly Meeting was absorbed in 1951. Smithfield merged with Rhode Island in 1971, and the name was changed to Rhode Island - Smithfield Quarterly Meeting.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts:  Acoaxet M.M. 1766-1788
                 Bolton M.M. 1799-1801
                 Dartmouth M.M. 1699-1705
                 Nantucket M.M. 1708-1781
                 North Dartmouth M.M. 1951-1971
                 Swansea M.M. 1732-1951
                 Uxbridge M.M. 1783-1801
Rhode Island:  Greenwich M.M. 1700-1945
                 Narragansett M.M. 1699-1700 (continued as Greenwich M.M.)
                 Providence M.M. 1718-1731 (continued as Smithfield M.M.)
                 Providence M.M. 1783-1971
                 Rhode Island M.M. 1699-1951
                 Smithfield M.M. 1731-1801
                 South Kingstown M.M. 1743-1899
                 Westerly M.M. 1951-1971
New Hampshire: Richmond M.M. 1792-1801

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RHODE ISLAND QUARTERLY MEETING (W)
(Rhode Island and Massachusetts)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. It merged with Sandwich as the Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in 1935.

Monthly Meetings:
Rhode Island: Greenwich M.M. (W) 1844-1845
Providence M.M. (W) 1844-1881
Rhode Island M.M. (W) 1844-1864
South Kingstown M.M. (W) 1845-1935
Massachusetts: Swansea M.M. (W) 1844-1863

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RHODE ISLAND AND SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING (W)
(Rhode Island and Massachusetts)

This meeting was formed by the union of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting (W) and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting (W) in 1935. It became Narragansett Quarterly Meeting in 1944.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts: Dartmouth M.M. (W) 1935-1944 (became North Dartmouth M.M.)
North Dartmouth M.M. (W) 1944
Rhode Island: Nantucket M.M. (W) 1935-1944
South Kingstown M.M. (W) 1935-1944

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[R.I.Q.M. (G/U) minutes dated 1935-1951]

RHODE ISLAND – SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING (U)
(Rhode Island and Massachusetts)

Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings merged in 1971.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts: Bolton M.M. 1971-1972
North Dartmouth M.M. 1971-1978
North Easton M.M. 1980-1994
Worcester M.M. 1971-1973
Worcester-Pleasant St. M.M. 1973-present
(Joint membership with Connecticut Valley Q.M. until 1988)
Rhode Island: Providence M.M. 1971-present
Smithfield M.M. 1971-present
Westerly M.M. 1971-present

Other meetings: A.C.I. W.G. 1994-present (at Adult Correctional Institution, Cranston, RI)
### Salem Quarterly Meeting (P/G/U)
(Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire)

Salem Quarterly Meeting began meetings for business in 1705. Falmouth Quarterly Meeting was set off in 1794, and Dover Quarterly Meeting in 1815.

**Monthly Meetings:**

**Massachusetts:**
- Acton M.M. 1965-present
- Amesbury M.M. 1883-present
- Beacon Hill M.M. 1980-present
- Boston M.M. 1883-1944 (also Roxbury; became Cambridge M.M.)
- Cambridge M.M. 1944-present
- Framingham M.M. 1979-present
- Fresh Pond M.M. 1991-present
- Lawrence M.M. 1899-1985
- Lynn M.M. 1927-1986
- North Shore M.M. 1981-present
- Salem M.M. 1705-1927 (became Lynn M.M.)
- Wellesley M.M. 1958-present

**Maine:**
- Berwick M.M. 1802-1815
- Durham M.M. 1790-1794
- Falmouth M.M. 1760-1794
- North Yarmouth M.M. 1750-1760 (became Falmouth M.M)
- Vassalboro M.M. 1787-1794

**New Hampshire:**
- Dover M.M. 1705-1815
- Hampton M.M. 1705-1792 (became Seabrook M.M.)
- Seabrook M.M. 1792-1883 (became Amesbury M.M.)
- Weare M.M. 1795-1958

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**Salem Quarterly Meeting (P/G/U)**

Salem Quarterly Meeting began meetings for business in 1705. Falmouth Quarterly Meeting was set off in 1794, and Dover Quarterly Meeting in 1815.

**Monthly Meetings:**

**Massachusetts:**
- Acton M.M. 1965-present
- Amesbury M.M. 1883-present
- Beacon Hill M.M. 1980-present
- Boston M.M. 1883-1944 (also Roxbury; became Cambridge M.M.)
- Cambridge M.M. 1944-present
- Framingham M.M. 1979-present
- Fresh Pond M.M. 1991-present
- Lawrence M.M. 1899-1985
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- North Shore M.M. 1981-present
- Salem M.M. 1705-1927 (became Lynn M.M.)
- Wellesley M.M. 1958-present

**Maine:**
- Berwick M.M. 1802-1815
- Durham M.M. 1790-1794
- Falmouth M.M. 1760-1794
- North Yarmouth M.M. 1750-1760 (became Falmouth M.M)
- Vassalboro M.M. 1787-1794

**New Hampshire:**
- Dover M.M. 1705-1815
- Hampton M.M. 1705-1792 (became Seabrook M.M.)
- Seabrook M.M. 1792-1883 (became Amesbury M.M.)
- Weare M.M. 1795-1958
SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING (W)  
(Massachusetts)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. It was joined as Salem and Dover Quarterly Meeting in 1851.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts: Salem M.M. (W) 1845-1851

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SALEM AND DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING (W)  
(Massachusetts and Maine)

This meeting was formed by the union of Salem Quarterly Meeting (W) and Dover Quarterly Meeting (W) in 1851. It was laid down in 1881, and its members transferred to Sandwich Monthly Meeting (W).

Monthly Meetings:
Maine: Berwick M.M. (W) 1851-1881
Massachusetts: Salem M.M. (W) 1851-1863

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SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)  
(Massachusetts. Briefly Rhode Island.)

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting began meetings for business in 1705; quarterly meetings for worship began as early as 1680.

Monthly Meetings:
Massachusetts: Acoaxet M.M. 1788-1812 (became Westport M.M.)
Allen’s Neck M.M. 1956-present
Dartmouth M.M. 1788-present
Marion M.M. 1973-1992
Martha’s Vineyard M.M. 1984-present
Mattapoisett M.M. 1992-present
Nantucket M.M. 1781-1867
Nantucket Northern District M.M. 1794-1829
New Bedford M.M. 1792-present
Pembroke M.M. 1736-1876
Sandwich M.M. 1705-present
Scituate M.M. 1705-1735 (became Pembroke M.M.)
Swansea M.M. 1951-present
Westport M.M. 1788-present
Rhode Island: Rhode Island M.M. 1951-1960

Other Meetings: Marion W.G. 1970-1973
Nantucket W.G. 1990-present
### SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING (W)
(Massachusetts)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. In 1881, it absorbed the defunct Salem and Dover Q.M. (W). Sandwich was merged in 1935 to become Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. See New England Quarterly Meeting for records of the "Otisite" group that left this quarterly meeting from 1863 to 1911.

#### Monthly Meetings:
- Dartmouth M.M. (W) 1845-1935
- Nantucket M.M. (W) 1845-1863, 1911-1935
- New Bedford M.M. (W) 1845-1865
- Westport M.M. (W) 1845-1850

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### SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING (O)
See New England Quarterly Meeting (O)

### SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING
(Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire)

Smithfield Quarterly Meeting was set off from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting in 1801, and merged as Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarterly Meeting in 1971.
Monthly Meetings:

Massachusetts:
- Bolton M.M. 1801-1971
- Uxbridge M.M. 1801-1907 (became Worcester M.M.)
- Worcester M.M. 1907-1971

New Hampshire:
- Richmond M.M. 1801-1850

Rhode Island:
- Smithfield M.M. 1801-1971

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VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING (P/G/U)

(Mainet)

Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting was set off from Falmouth Quarterly Meeting in 1813. Fairfield Quarterly Meeting was set off in 1841, and returned in 1952.

Monthly Meetings:

Maine:
- Acadia M.M. 1978-present
- Belfast M.M. 1987-present
- Camden M.M. 1964-1972 (became Midcoast M.M.)
- China M.M. 1825-present
- Cobscook M.M. 1978-present
- East Vassalboro M.M. 1990-1992 (became Vassalboro M.M.)
- Eggemoggin Reach M.M. 1986-present
- Farmington M.M. 1991-present
- Harlem M.M. 1813-1825 (became China M.M.)
- Leeds M.M. 1813-1841
- Maple Grove M.M. 1890-1963
- Midcoast M.M. 1972-present
- Narramissic Valley M.M. 1979-present
- North Fairfield M.M. 1952-present
- Oak Grove M.M. 1922-1987
- Orono M.M. 1973-present
- Pondtown M.M. 1983-present
- Saint Albans M.M. 1840-1841
- Sidney M.M. 1813-1841
- Unity M.M. 1837-1938
- Winthrop M.M. 1952-present
Other Meetings:
Acadia W.G. 1974-1977
Belfast W.G. 1982
Brooksville-Deer Isle W.G. 1974-1985
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ACADIA MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Bar Harbor, Me.)

Acadia Monthly Meeting began in 1978. It had been an independent worship group under Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting since 1975.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1978-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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ACOAXET MONTHLY MEETING
See Westport Monthly Meeting

ACTON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (West Concord, Mass.)

Acton began meetings for worship in 1956 under Cambridge Monthly Meeting. Acton Monthly Meeting was set off in 1965.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1965-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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ALLEN’S NECK MONTHLY MEETING (U) (South Dartmouth, Mass.)

Allen’s Neck was home to meetings for worship under Dartmouth Monthly Meeting as early as 1758, and was set off as a monthly meeting in 1956.

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. 1956-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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see Hampton Monthly Meeting

BARTON-GLOVER MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Barton, Vt.)


Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1992-present  
Constituent Meetings: None.

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BEACON HILL MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Boston, Mass.)


Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1980-present  
Constituent Meetings: None

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BELFAST MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Belfast, Me.)

An independent Belfast worship group began in 1982 under Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting. It was set off in 1988 as Belfast Area Monthly Meeting, and the name became Belfast Monthly Meeting in 1990.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1988-present  
Constituent Meetings: None

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BENNINGTON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Bennington, Vt.)

This meeting began as an independent worship group in Arlington, Vermont in 1949. It moved to Bennington around 1959. Bennington Monthly Meeting affiliated with Northwest Quarterly Meeting in 1962. Putney Monthly Meeting was set off from Bennington in 1969, and Wilderness Monthly Meeting was set off in 1978.

Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1962-present  
Constituent Meetings: Pawlet W.G. 1988-1989  
Putney W.G. 1964-1968  
Wilderness P.M. (Plymouth, Vt.) 1977-1978  
### BERWICK MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Berwick, Me)

The first meetings in North Berwick were held in 1750, under Dover Monthly Meeting. In 1802, Berwick Monthly Meeting was set off, and was sometimes referred to as North Berwick or Oakwoods Monthly Meeting. This meeting was divided by the split of 1845. Regular meetings ended in 1919, but the meeting house was kept open for occasional use. In 1952, the meeting was laid down.

**Quarterly Meetings:**
- Salem Q.M. 1802-1815
- Dover Q.M. 1815-1952

**Constituent Meetings:**
- Eliot W.G. ca.1805-a.1850 (also Kittery)
- Oakwoods W.G. ca.1805-a.1850 (also North Berwick)

### BERWICK MONTHLY MEETING (W) (North Berwick, Me.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. It was laid down in 1881 to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (W).

**Quarterly Meetings:**
- Dover Q.M. (W) 1845-1851
- Salem and Dover Q.M. (W) 1851-1881

**Constituent meetings:**
- None

### Bolton Monthly Meeting (P/G/U) (Bolton, Mass.)

A worship group began in Bolton in 1763, under Salem Monthly Meeting. It was transferred to Uxbridge Monthly Meeting in 1785, and was set off as Bolton Monthly Meeting in 1799. In 1954, their meeting house was sold to the Sturbridge Village Museum, and federated meetings were held jointly with the Universalist and Baptist churches of Bolton. Bolton Monthly Meeting was laid down in 1972 to Worcester Monthly Meeting.
Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1799-1801
     Smithfield Q.M. 1801-1971
     Rhode Island - Smithfield Q.M. 1971-1972
Constituent Meetings: None

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**BOSTON MONTHLY MEETING (G) (Boston, Mass.)**

See Friends Meeting at Cambridge (U) after 1944

The first Friends in America arrived at Boston in 1656. The first public meeting there was in 1661. Small meetings for worship continued to be held, under the general oversight of Salem Monthly Meeting, which became an official preparative meeting in 1707. Boston Preparative Meeting was laid down in 1808; worship began again in 1870. Boston Monthly Meeting was set off in 1883, and met in Boston’s Roxbury neighborhood. Lawrence Monthly Meeting was set off in 1899.

The Boston meeting began to meet jointly with an independent meeting at Cambridge in 1926, and the two meetings merged in 1944. Technically, the members of the Friends Meeting at Cambridge were accepted as members of Boston Monthly Meeting, the independent Friends Meeting at Cambridge was laid down, and the name of the united Boston Monthly Meeting was changed to the Friends Meeting at Cambridge, which retained monthly meeting status. The definitive printed work on this meeting is George Selleck's *Quakers in Boston, 1656-1964: Three Centuries of Friends in Boston and Cambridge* (Cambridge, Mass.: Friends Meeting at Cambridge, 1976).

The present Beacon Hill Monthly Meeting meets at Boston; Fresh Pond Monthly Meeting also meets in Cambridge, as well as the Friends Meeting at Cambridge.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1883-1944
Constituent Meetings: Lawrence P.M. 1886-1899

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Boston Preparative Meeting:
Joint minutes 1879-1899 3 vol. RI 100A
Ministry and oversight 1883-1903 1 vol. RI 100A
Request for formation 1870-1870 1 fol. RI 0
Miscellaneous papers 1894-1899 1 fol. RI 0

Lawrence Preparative Meeting:
Joint minutes, vitals 1886-1899 2 vol. RI 173

BRUNSWICK MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Brunswick, Me.)

Brunswick Monthly Meeting began in 1983, after a year of unaffiliated meetings for worship under Falmouth Q.M.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1983-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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BURLETON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Burlington, Vt.)

Informal unaffiliated meetings for worship began in Burlington in 1951. This group joined New England Yearly Meeting in 1956 as part of the Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting. Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting was divided into Burlington and Hanover Monthly Meetings in 1959; these two meetings constituted the new Northwest Quarterly Meeting. From Burlington Monthly Meeting, three meetings have been set off: Plainfield in 1965, Middlebury in 1976 and Baron-Glover in 1992.

Quarterly Meetings: Northwest Q.M. 1959-present
Constituent Meetings: Barton-Glover W.G. 1991
                      P.M. 1991-1992
                      P.M. 1971-1976
                      Plainfield W.G. 1959-1964
                      Shelburne W.G. 1994-present

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Summaries of many of the early minutes can be found in Northwest Q.M. newsletters.

Middlebury Preparative Meeting:
Minutes 1970-1976 1 fol. RI 0
The first regular Friends meeting in Cambridge was an independent unprogrammed meeting for worship that met from 1899 through 1901. These meetings were revived in 1911. Beginning in 1926, meetings were held jointly with the programmed Boston Monthly Meeting. The Friends Meeting at Cambridge became a formal independent monthly meeting in 1937. In 1944, it merged with Boston Monthly Meeting to become a new united Friends Meeting at Cambridge in New England Yearly Meeting. The definitive printed work on this meeting is George Selleck's *Quakers in Boston, 1656-1964: Three Centuries of Friends in Boston and Cambridge* (Cambridge, Mass.: Friends Meeting at Cambridge, 1976).

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See also Joint Committee minutes in Boston M.M. records, 1926-1937.

This meeting was formed in 1944 by the merger of Boston Monthly Meeting and the independent Friends Meeting at Cambridge, as part of the general unification. Many meetings have been set off since, including Acton (1965), Beacon Hill (1980), Framingham (1979), Fresh Pond (1990), North Shore (1981) and Wellesley (1959). Fresh Pond Monthly Meeting also presently meets in Cambridge. For the early history of this meeting, see George Selleck's *Quakers in Boston, 1656-1964: Three Centuries of Friends in Boston and Cambridge* (Cambridge, Mass.: Friends Meeting at Cambridge, 1976).

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1944-present
Constituent Meetings:
Acton W.G. 1956-1960
  P.M. 1961-1965
Andover W.G. 1986-present
Boston W.G. 1957-1980 (became Beacon Hill M.M.)
Brookhaven W.G. 1992-present
Circuit P.M. 1975-1981 (Chestnut Hill, Mass.)
  W.G. 1982-1984
Dorchester W.G. 1987
Framingham P.M. 1964-1979
Hingham W.G. 1973-1985
  P.M. 1959-1972, 1986 (became South Shore P.M.)
North Shore P.M. (Wenham) 1979-1980
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Wellesley W.G. 1944-1958
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The Friends Meeting at Cambridge maintains an extensive archive of their own records.

**Fresh Pond Allowed Meeting:**
Minutes 1990-1991 1 fol. RI 0

**Wellesley Worship Group:**
Minutes 1954-1958 1 fol. RI 0

**CAMDEN MONTHLY MEETING**
See Midcoast Monthly Meeting

**CHINA MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (China, Me.)**
Was Harlem Monthly Meeting until 1825

Families of Friends began to settle in China, Maine in 1774. They attended distant meetings in Vassalboro or Durham when able. Regular meetings for worship began in China in 1802, under Vassalboro Monthly Meeting. This group was set off as Harlem Monthly Meeting in 1813; the name changed to China Monthly Meeting in 1825. Unity Monthly Meeting was set off in 1837.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1813
Vassalboro Q.M. 1813-present
Constituent Meetings: Albion P.M. 1824-1837 (formerly Legonia P.M.)
Branch W.G. 1817-1834 (also known as Hussey & Branch W.G.)
Brooks W.G. 1829-1834
P.M. 1834-1837
Camden W.G. 1813-1813
China P.M. 1818-ca.1926 (formerly Harlem P.M.)
Dirigo W.G. 1880-a.1889
Fairfax P.M. 1813-1821 (became Legonia P.M.)
Granville (N.S.) W.G. b.1849-? (loosely affiliated)
Harlem P.M. 1813-1818 (became China P.M.)
Hope W.G. 1814-1855 (also called Appleton W.G.?)
Legonia P.M. 1821-1824 (was Fairfax, became Albion P.M.)
Lincoln W.G. 1813-1815
Neck W.G. 1826-1855 (also Pond W.G.; later West China)
Cobscook Monthly meeting began in 1978, from an independent Whiting Meeting for Worship.

COBSCOOK MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Whiting, Me.)

CONCORD MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Concord, N.H.)

A meeting for worship began in Concord in 1805, under the Weare Monthly Meeting. The meeting was laid down in 1840, and in 1953 it was revived as a preparative meeting under Weare Monthly Meeting. Concord Monthly Meeting was set off in 1967.
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**CORNVILLE MONTHLY MEETING (G) (Cornville, Me.)**

Cornville Monthly Meeting was set off from Saint Albans Monthly Meeting in 1902, and was laid down to Saint Albans in 1907.

Quarterly Meeting: Fairfield Q.M. 1902-1907
Constituent Meetings: None

No records at N.E.Y.M. Archives.

**DANBY MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Danby, Vt.)**

Danby Monthly Meeting was set off from Saratoga Monthly Meeting in 1795. It was the first monthly meeting based in the state of Vermont. Peru Monthly Meeting was set off from Danby in 1799, and Monkton Ridge Monthly Meeting was set off in 1801. Danby Monthly Meeting was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in the split of 1828. In the Orthodox meeting, the Danby Preparative Meeting died out, and the meeting became the New York-based Granville Monthly Meeting in 1839 before being laid down in 1857. The Hicksite meeting underwent a similar change, becoming Granville Monthly Meeting (NYH) in 1877 and being laid down in 1924.

Quarterly Meeting:
- Easton Q.M. (NYP) 1795-1809
- Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NYP) 1809-1816
- Easton Q.M. (NYO) 1816-1857 (part of meeting)
- Easton Q.M. (NYH) 1816-1924
Constituent Meetings:
- Danby P.M. 1795-1839
- Ferrisburgh P.M. 1795-1801
- Granville (N.Y.) P.M. c.1805-1924
- Lincoln W.G. 1795-1801
- Monkton W.G. c.1795-1801
- Montpelier W.G. 1795-1801
- Mount Holly W.G. 1803-c.1823
- Peru (N.Y.) W.G. 1798-1799
- South Hero W.G. c.1795-1799
- Starksboro W.G. 1801

The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore.

**DARTMOUTH MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (South Dartmouth, Mass.)**

Dartmouth Monthly Meeting began in 1699, and continues to the present. Two meetings were set off in the early years: Acoaxet (Westport) in 1766, and New Bedford in 1792. The Dartmouth meeting was divided by the split of 1845. After Allen’s Neck Monthly Meeting was set off in 1956, this meeting has generally been called Dartmouth Monthly Meeting at Smith Neck. There is also a North Dartmouth Monthly Meeting which descends from the Wilburite branch of the 1845 split.
A split in Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1781 known as “the Timothy Davis Separation” involved some Dartmouth Monthly Meeting members from Acushnet and New Bedford. For further information, see the 24-page *Souvenir of the Bi-Centennial of the Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends* (published by Franklyn Howland, 1899).

Quarterly Meetings:
- Rhode Island Q.M. 1699-1788
- Sandwich Q.M. 1788-present

Constituent Meetings:
- Acoaxet W.G. 1699-1745
  - P.M. 1745-1766
- Acushnet W.G. 1708-1792
- Allen’s Neck W.G. 1758-1950 (also Slocum's Neck W.G.)
  - P.M. 1950-1956
- Apponegansett P.M. 1708-1784 (also called Dartmouth; later South)
- Centre W.G. 1721-1766
- New Bedford W.G. 1772-1792 (also Bedford)
- New Swansey W.G. 1764-1765
- Newtown W.G. 1745-1882
- North P.M. 1784-1872 (Newtown and Bedford)
- Nosquechuck W.G. 1758-1759
- Rochester W.G. 1702-1707
  - P.M. 1707-1740 (also Sippican; to Sandwich M.M.)
- Smith’s Neck W.G. 1768-1950
  - P.M. 1950-1956
- South P.M. 1784-1901 (also Apponegansett)
- West P.M. 1813-1829 (Allen’s Neck)

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**Apponegansett W.G.:**
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**Smith’s Neck W.G.:**
- Meeting house history 1947 1 fol. RI 0
South P.M.:  
Men’s and joint minutes  1872-1901  2 vol.  DL  055

DARTMOUTH MONTHLY MEETING (W/U) (North Dartmouth, Mass.)
Called North Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (I) after 1944

This meeting was created in the split of 1845. Westport Monthly Meeting (W) was joined to it in 1850, New Bedford M.M. (W) in 1865, and Berwick M.M. (W) in 1881. The name was changed to North Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (W) in 1944, prior to the reunification of that year.

Quarterly Meetings:  
Sandwich Q.M. (W) 1845-1935  
R.I. and Sandwich Q.M. (W) 1935-1944  
Narragansett Q.M. 1944-1951  
Rhode Island Q.M. 1951-1971  
Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1971-1979  
Sandwich Q.M. 1979-present

Constituent Meetings:  
New Bedford W.G. 1865-1872, 1881-1892  
North P.M. 1845-1934  
South P.M. 1845-1863  
W.G. 1863-1865  
Westport P.M. 1850-1851

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DOVER MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Dover, N.H.)

Meetings for worship began on Dover Neck in 1659, and evolved into Piscataqua Monthly Meeting. Dover Monthly Meeting was set off in 1701. From about 1912 to 1955, there were only irregular meetings in Dover. However, meetings for worship continued in Gonic and Meaderboro, and Dover Monthly Meeting continued as an administrative body. Berwick and Sandwich Monthly Meetings were set off in 1802, and Gonic in 1981. After 1981, the former Dover Preparative Meeting became the monthly meeting.

Quarterly Meeting:  
New England Yearly Meeting 1701-1705  
Salem Q.M. 1705-1815  
Dover Q.M. 1815-present

Constituent Meetings:  
Barrington W.G. 1775-1783  
Berwick W.G. 1750-1761  
P.M. 1761-1802
Chestnut Hill W.G. 1838-1864
Cocheco W.G. 1720-1763
  P.M. 1763-1768
Dover P.M. 1701-1901, 1955-1981 (also called Cocheco P.M.)
  W.G. 1901-1912 (met irregularly, 1912-1955)
Gilmanton W.G. 1795-1814, 1846-a.1889
  P.M. 1814-1846
Gonic W.G. ca.1870-1950
  P.M. 1950-1980 (previously Lower Rochester, Pine Grove)
Kittery W.G. 1742-1763
  P.M. 1763-1783
Lee W.G. 1795-1838, 1841-1846
  Lower Rochester W.G. 1742-1846 (became Pine Grove W.G.)
Meaderboro W.G. 1782-1962 (also Upper Rochester W.G.)
  (under Rochester P.M. 1950-1962)
New Durham W.G. 1797-1870
  Pine Grove W.G. 1846-ca.1870 (became Gonic W.G.)
Rochester P.M. 1801-1901, 1950-1962
Sandwich W.G. 1783-1790
  P.M. 1790-1802
Seacoast W.G. 1970-1975
West Epping W.G. 1973-1981 (became part of Gonic M.M.)

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Meaderboro Friends Meeting (for Worship):
- Cemetery transcriptions 1837-1989 1 fol. RI 0

Rochester Preparative Meeting:
- Men’s minutes 1862-1873 1 vol. RI 157

DURHAM MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Durham, Me.)

Royalsborough Preparative meeting, under Falmouth Monthly Meeting, began in 1779. It was set off as Durham Monthly Meeting in 1790, and continues to the present. Leeds Monthly Meeting was set off in 1813. Lewiston Monthly Meeting was set off in 1891, and its members returned in 1911. Lewiston was set off again in 1980.
Quarterly Meetings:
- Salem Q.M. 1790-1794
- Falmouth Q.M. 1794-present

Constituent Meetings:
- Greene W.G. 1790?
- Leeds W.G. 1790-1811
  - P.M. 1811-1813
- Lewiston W.G. 1790-1813, 1816, 1851-67, 1972-80
  - P.M. 1816-1851, 1867-1891
- Litchfield W.G. 1803-1812
  - P.M. 1812-1813
- Pownal W.G. 1813, 1817-1839
- Wales-Poland W.G.? 1815-1822
- Wilton W.G. 1813-1813
-Winthrop W.G. 1808-1813

Constituent Meetings:
- Greene W.G. 1790?
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Durham Preparative Meeting:
- Men’s minutes 1826-1898 3 vol. MH 113*

DUXBURY MONTHLY MEETING
See Pembroke Monthly Meeting

EAST HOOSACK MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Adams, Mass.)

East Hoosack Monthly Meeting was set off from Saratoga Monthly Meeting in 1783. It was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in the split of 1828. The Orthodox meeting was laid down in 1845, and the Hicksite meeting was laid down in 1847.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Nine Partners Q.M. (NYP) 1783-1793
- Easton Q.M. (NYP) 1793-1835
- Saratoga Q.M. (NYP) 1835-1847

Constituent Meetings:
- None

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The earliest vital records were published in New England Historical and Genealogical Review, volumes 71 and 72. |            |          |      |       |

EAST VASSALBORO MONTHLY MEETING
See Vassalboro Monthly Meeting
EGGEMOGGIN REACH MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Sargentville, Me.)

Eggemoggin Reach Monthly Meeting began in 1986, and grew from independent worship groups in Brooksville and Deer Isle that had met since 1976 under Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings: Vassalboro Q.M. 1986-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY MONTHLY MEETING (Wilton, Conn.)
See Wilton Monthly Meeting

FAIRFIELD MONTHLY MEETING (North Fairfield, Me.)
See North Fairfield Monthly Meeting

FALMOUTH MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Portland, Me.)
Also known as Oak Street Monthly Meeting
See Portland Monthly Meeting (U) after 1974

The first formal monthly meetings in the area of Falmouth, Maine, were called North Yarmouth Monthly Meeting, and were first recognized by Salem Quarterly Meeting in 1750. In 1760, the name changed to Falmouth Monthly Meeting. Several early monthly meetings were set off from Falmouth, including Vassalboro in 1787, Durham in 1790, and Windham in 1803.

In 1850, Falmouth Monthly Meeting built a new meeting house on Oak Street in Portland. This gradually came to be called Oak Street Monthly Meeting. Another house was built on Forest Avenue in Portland in 1855; this became a separate Forest Avenue Monthly Meeting in 1934. The Oak Street and Forest Avenue meetings merged to become Portland Monthly Meeting in 1974.

Quarterly Meetings: Salem Q.M. 1750-1794
Falmouth Q.M. 1794-1974

Constituent Meetings:
Bordentown W.G. 1785-1790 (also Swan Island?)
Broad Cove (Bristol) W.G. 1785-1787 (to Vassalboro M.M.)
Cape Elizabeth W.G. ca.1782-1837
Deering W.G. 1855-1876, 1887-1903 (became Forest Avenue W.G.)
  P.M. 1876-1887
Durham P.M. 1789-1790
Fairfield W.G. ca.1784-1787 (to Vassalboro M.M.)
Falmouth P.M. 1751-1876 (also Merriconegue or Westbrook)
  (became Deering P.M.)
Forest Avenue W.G. 1903-1934
Georgetown (Bath) W.G. 1785-1790
Gorham W.G. ca.1782-1803
Herpswell W.G. 1758-1763, 1776-1780
  P.M. 1763-1776
Lewiston W.G. 1785-1790
Limington P.M. 1801-1803
North Yarmouth W.G. 1751-1758 (became Herpswell)
Portland W.G. 1790-1796, 1842-55, 1860-75
  P.M. 1796-1842, 1855-60, 1875-1974 (Also Oak Street P.M.)
Royalsborough P.M. 1779-1789 (became Durham P.M.)
Royalstown W.G. 1776-1779 (also Durham)
Scarborough W.G. 1800-1826
Small Point W.G. 1759-ca.1761
Vassalboro W.G. 1780-1785
  P.M. 1785-1787
Windham W.G. 1779-1785
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FARMINGTON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Farmington, Me.)

Farmington Monthly Meeting was set off from Pondtown Monthly Meeting in 1991, after meetings for worship held since 1983.

Quarterly Meetings: Vassalboro Q.M. 1991-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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FERRISBURGH MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH/NYW) (Ferrisburgh, Vt.)

Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting was formed in 1813, when Monkton Monthly Meeting was divided into Ferrisburgh and Starksboro. The meeting was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in the split of 1828. The Hicksite meeting was laid down in 1846 to Peru Monthly Meeting. The Orthodox meeting was divided into Orthodox
and Wilburite meetings in 1847. The Wilburite meeting became Kingite in 1859, and was laid down by 1881. The Orthodox meeting was no longer meeting by 1952.

Quarterly Meetings: Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NY) 1813-1952
Constituent Meetings: Charlotte W.G. b.1878-b.1884
(all Orthodox)
Creek W.G. 1850-1881 (became South Starksboro P.M.)
Farnham (Quebec) W.G. 1821-1826
P.M. 1826-1842
Lincoln P.M. 1850-1881
Monkton P.M. 1813-1903
Peru (N.Y.) W.G. 1868-b.1878
Shoreham W.G. 1818-1836
South Starkboro P.M. 1881-1903
Weybridge W.G. 1813-1821
P.M. 1821-b.1835

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The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore, either in original or in photocopy form. Some of the originals are at the University of Vermont in Burlington.

FOREST AVENUE MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (Portland, Me.)
See Portland Monthly Meeting after 1974

In the Portland-based Falmouth Monthly Meeting, an additional meeting house was built on Forest Avenue in Portland in 1855, and housed the unprogrammed Deering Meeting for Worship. The former Falmouth Preparative Meeting was renamed Deering Preparative Meeting (1876), Deering Meeting for Worship (1887), Forest Avenue Meeting for Worship (1903) and then Forest Avenue Monthly Meeting (1934). At this point, there were two monthly meetings in Portland, which merged as Portland Monthly Meeting in 1974. They remain at the Forest Avenue location.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1934-1974
Constituent Meetings: None

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Minutes | 1965-1974 | 2 vol. | MH | 0
Births, deaths, marriages, members | 1934-1961 | 1 vol. | MH | 117*
Ministry and counsel | 1965-1972 | 1 vol. | MH | 0
Miscellaneous loose papers | 1945-1965 | 1 fol. | MH | 0

FRAMINGHAM MONTHLY MEETING (Framingham, Mass.)

Framingham began as a preparative meeting under Cambridge in 1964, and was set off as a monthly meeting in 1979.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1979-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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Newsletters | 1982-1996 | 2 fol. | RI | 0
FRESH POND MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Cambridge, Mass.)

Fresh Pond Monthly Meeting began as an allowed meeting under Cambridge Monthly Meeting in 1989, and was set off as a monthly meeting in 1991.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1991-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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GLOVER MONTHLY MEETING
See Barton-Glover Monthly Meeting

GONIC MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Rochester, N.H.)

Meetings for worship had been held in Rochester, under Dover Monthly Meeting, since 1742. This became known as the Pine Grove meeting in 1846. The meeting house was moved to the Gonic neighborhood of Rochester around 1862, and the name was changed to the Gonic meeting shortly thereafter. It became a preparative meeting in 1950, and Gonic Monthly Meeting was set off from Dover in 1981.

Quarterly Meeting: Dover Q.M. 1981-present.
Constituent Meeting: West Epping P.M. 1981-present.

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GRANVILLE MONTHLY MEETING
See Danby Monthly Meeting

GREENWICH MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (East Greenwich, R.I.)

Narragansett Monthly Meeting began in 1699, and changed its name to East Greenwich in 1700. Providence Monthly Meeting was set off in 1718 (see Smithfield Monthly Meeting), and South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in 1743. While the South Kingstown meeting was suspended from 1842 to 1847, its members were part of Greenwich. The Greenwich meeting was divided in 1844 by the Wilburite split. It was laid down in 1945, and its members transferred to Providence Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1699-1945
Constituent Meetings: Coventry W.G. 1795-1841, 1895-1897 (also known as Anthony W.G.) P.M. 1841-1895, 1897-1914
Cranston W.G. 1705-1744, 1859-1866 P.M. 1744-1859 (called Meshanticut or Shanticut before 1744)
Foster W.G. 1785-1812, 1843-1846
  P.M. 1812-1843
Hopkinton W.G. 1842-1847
Mendon (Mass.) W.G. ?-1718
Plainfield (Conn.) W.G. 1814-1817, 1838-51
  P.M. 1817-1838
Providence P.M. 1705-1718 (later Saylesville or Lower Smithfield)
Richmond W.G. 1842-1844
Shanticut P.M.: see Cranston P.M.
South Kingstown P.M. b.1705-1743, 1842-47
Warwick P.M. 1705-1721
  W.G. 1721-1843
Westerly W.G. 1718-1719, 1727-1743
  P.M. 1719-1727 (also Dunn’s Corners)
Wickford W.G. 1795-1840
  (Greenwich P.M. held in Wickford, alternate days, 1799-1840)

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**Coventry P.M.:**
Relief of the Irish people ca. 1850 1 vol. RI 0

**GREENWICH MONTHLY MEETING (W) (East Greenwich, R.I.)**

This meeting was formed by the split of 1844. It was laid down in 1845, and its members transferred to South Kingstown Monthly Meeting (W).

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GUILFORD MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Guilford, Conn.)

Guilford was the home of a preparative meeting under New Haven Monthly Meeting from 1953 until 1957, when they were granted their own monthly meeting. It was laid down in 1966 by the Quarterly Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1957-1966
Constituent Meetings: None.

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HAMPTON MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U)
(Hampton, N.H.; Seabrook, N.H.; Amesbury, Mass.)

Called Seabrook Monthly Meeting from 1792-1883
Called Amesbury Monthly Meeting after 1883

Hampton Monthly Meeting was set off in 1701 from Piscataqua Monthly Meeting. It became Seabrook Monthly Meeting in 1792, and Amesbury Monthly Meeting in 1883. Weare Monthly Meeting was set off in 1795. The meeting house has been located in Amesbury, Massachusetts since 1799.

Quarterly Meetings: New England Y.M. 1701-1705
Salem Q.M. 1705-present
Constituent Meetings: Amesbury P.M. (Mass.) b.1710-a.1889
Brentwood W.G. (N.H.) 1751-1756
Chichester W.G. (N.H.) 1778
Epping W.G. (N.H.) 1757-1803
P.M. 1802-1901
Hampton P.M. (N.H.) 1701-1778 (became Seabrook P.M.)
Haverhill W.G. (Mass.) 1756-1758
Kensington W.G. (N.H.) 1755-b.1825
Newberry W.G. (Mass.) 1701-1761, 1790-ca.1830 (became West Newbury)
P.M. 1761-1790
Newton W.G. (N.H.) 1754-1803
Pittsfield W.G. (N.H.) 1763-1802, 1860-85
P.M. 1802-1860, 1885-1901 (became South Pittsfield W.G.)
Salisbury W.G. (Mass.) b.1710-1763
Seabrook P.M. (N.H.) 1778-1842
W.G. 1842-ca.1885
South Pittsfield W.G. (N.H.) 1901-1954
Weare W.G. (N.H.) 1769-1777
P.M. 1777-1795
West Epping W.G. (N.H.) 1901-1945
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W.G. ca.1830-1853, 1881-a.1889
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**HANOVER MONTHLY MEETING (Hanover, N.H.)**

The Hanover meeting began as an independent worship group in 1954, affiliated with the new Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting in 1956 and was set off as Hanover Monthly Meeting in 1959.

Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1959-present

Constituent Meetings:
- Kendal W.G. (Hanover, N.H.) 1992-present
- Lancaster W.G. (N.H.) 1985-present
- Randolph W.G. (Vt.) 1984-present
- South Royalton W.G. (Vt.) 1982-present
- Strafford W.G. (Vt.) 1982-1992

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**HARLEM MONTHLY MEETING**

See China Monthly Meeting

**HARTFORD MONTHLY MEETING (I/U) (Hartford, Conn.)**

A West Hartford Monthly Meeting met under New York Yearly Meeting from 1805 to 1819 (see separate entry). More recently, meetings resumed in Hartford in 1935, as part of the independent Connecticut Valley Association of Friends. When that organization joined New England Yearly Meeting in 1944, Hartford Monthly Meeting was officially
formed. Several monthly meetings have been set off from Hartford, including Middletown in 1956, Storrs in 1962 and Watertown in 1975.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Association 1935-1944
Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1944-present
Constituent Meetings: Middletown W.G. 1943-1956
Storrs W.G. 1956-1963
Watertown W.G. 1969-1975

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**HOUSATONIC MONTHLY MEETING** (NYU) (New Milford, Conn.)

Meetings for worship existed in New Milford from before 1739 to at least 1884, mostly under the care of Oblong Monthly Meeting in New York. In 1971, the Housatonic Monthly Meeting (based in New Milford) was set off from Wilton Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting: Purchase Q.M. (NYU) 1971-present
Constituent Meetings: None

| Inquire with the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore. |

**KEENE MONTHLY MEETING** (U) (Keene, N.H.)

A meeting at Keene was allowed under Monadnock Monthly Meeting in 1978. It was granted monthly meeting status in 1980, but was laid down in 1991. Most of its members transferred to Putney or Monadnock monthly meetings.

Constituent Meetings: Nelson W.G. 1986

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**LAWRENCE MONTHLY MEETING** (G/U) (Lawrence, Mass.)

Lawrence Monthly meeting was set off from Boston Monthly Meeting in 1899. The meeting became inactive in 1985, but was never formally laid down, and began meeting again in 1994.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1899-1985
Constituent Meetings: Lawrence P.M. 1901-1930
Manchester P.M. (N.H.) 1901-1930

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**Lawrence Preparative Meeting:**
Minutes 1906-1930 1 vol. RI 173

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**LEEDS MONTHLY MEETING**
See Winthrop Monthly Meeting

**LEWISTON MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (Lewiston, Me.)**

Meetings for worship began in Lewiston around 1785, under Falmouth, then Durham, Monthly Meeting. The Lewiston meeting became a preparative meeting in 1816 under Durham Monthly Meeting. The preparative meeting was laid down from 1851 to 1867. Lewiston Monthly Meeting was set off in 1891 by division of Durham Monthly Meeting. The meeting was laid down in 1911, with remaining members transferred to Durham. In 1972, summer meetings for worship were revived under Falmouth M.M., and Lewiston Monthly Meeting was reinstated in 1980. Oxford Hills Monthly Meeting was set off in 1993.

Quarterly Meetings: Falmouth Q.M. 1891-1911, 1980-present
Constituent Meetings: Oxford Hills W.G. 1984-1993 (also Norway W.G.)

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**Oxford Hills Worship Group:**
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**LIMINGTON MONTHLY MEETING**
See Parsonsfield Monthly Meeting

**LITCHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING**
See Winthrop Monthly Meeting

**LITCHFIELD HILLS MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Woodbury, Conn.)**

Was Watertown Monthly Meeting before 1980

A worship group met in Watertown from 1969 to 1974, under Hartford Monthly Meeting. Watertown Monthly Meeting was set off in 1975; the name was changed to Litchfield Hills Monthly Meeting in 1980.
Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1975-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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LYNN MONTHLY MEETING (Lynn, Mass.)
See Salem Monthly Meeting

MAPLE GROVE MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (Fort Fairfield, Me.)

Meetings for worship began in Maple Grove in 1860. Maple Grove Monthly Meeting was set off from Unity Monthly Meeting in 1890, and was laid down in 1962 to Vassalboro Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1890-1962
Constituent Meetings: None

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MARION MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Marion, Mass.)

The town of Marion was incorporated in 1852, from the town of Rochester. The village of Sippican, within present-day Marion, hosted a preparative meeting as early as 1702, but this later became Rochester or Mattapoisett Particular Meeting. An independent worship group met in East Marion around 1946. Marion Monthly Meeting began as an independent worship group affiliated with Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in 1970, and was set off as a monthly meeting in 1973. The meeting was laid down in 1992.

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. 1973-1992
Constituent Meetings: None

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MARTHA'S VINEYARD MONTHLY MEETING (U) (West Tisbury, Mass.)

A worship group was held on Martha’s Vineyard from 1946 to 1953, under Providence Monthly Meeting. It was revived as an independent worship group in 1978, and became a monthly meeting in 1984.

Quarterly Meeting: Sandwich Q.M. 1984-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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MATTAPOISETT MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Mattapoisett, Mass.)

A preparative meeting began in Rochester, Massachusetts in 1702, under Dartmouth Monthly Meeting. It was transferred to Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1740, and became a particular meeting under Long Plain Preparative Meeting in 1786. Both Rochester and Long Plain were transferred to New Bedford Monthly Meeting in 1795. In 1825, the Rochester meeting moved to a new location in town, and built a permanent meeting house there in 1827. This part of town was set off from the municipality of Rochester in 1857, as the town of Mattapoisett. The Rochester meeting only gradually became known as Mattapoisett Particular Meeting between 1867 and 1871. It was the sole meeting for worship under Long Plain Preparative Meeting, until Mattapoisett Monthly Meeting was set off in 1992.

Quarterly Meeting: Sandwich Q.M. 1992-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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| No records at N.E.Y.M. Archives.

MIDCOAST MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Damariscotta, Me.)

Was Camden Monthly Meeting before 1972

This meeting began as an independent worship group circa 1962, and was originally set off as Camden Monthly Meeting in 1964. The name was changed to Midcoast Monthly Meeting in 1972, when the meeting moved. The Orland Worship Group was set off as Narramissic Valley Monthly Meeting in 1979.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1964-present
Damariscotta W.G. 1969-1977
Orland W.G. 1972-1979
Thomaston W.G. (prison) 1996-present

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MIDDLE CONNECTICUT VALLEY MONTHLY MEETING

See Mount Toby Monthly Meeting

MIDDLEBURY MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Middlebury, Vt.)


Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1976-present
Constituent Meetings: Rochester W.G. 1984-present
South Starksboro P.M. 1982-present

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MIDDLETOWN MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Middletown, Conn.)

Meetings for worship were held in Middletown under Hartford Monthly Meeting as early as 1943; Middletown Monthly Meeting was set off in 1956.

Quarterly Meetings: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1956-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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MONADNOCK MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Jaffrey, N.H.)

A group in Rindge, N.H. began independent meetings for worship in 1957, associated with Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting. The next year, they became Monadnock Monthly Meeting, which now meets in nearby Jaffrey. Keene Monthly Meeting was set off in 1980.

Quarterly Meetings: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1958-1973
Northwest Q.M. 1973-present
Constituent Meetings: Keene W.G. 1978-1980, 1997-present
Nelson W.G. 1987-present
Wilton W.G. 1987

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MONKTON MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYU) (Monkton, Vt.)

Was Monkton Ridge Monthly Meeting 1801-1804

Monkton Ridge Monthly Meeting was set off from Danby Monthly Meeting in 1801. It became Monkton Monthly Meeting in 1804. In 1813, it divided into Ferrisburgh and Starksboro Monthly Meetings. Monkton Preparative Meeting remained active in Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting. In 1903, with the formal abolition of preparative meetings in New York, Monkton assumed the status of a monthly meeting, and remains active as Monkton Monthly Meeting today.

Quarterly Mmeetings: Easton Q.M. (NYP) 1801-1809
Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NYP) 1809-1813
Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NYO/NYU) 1903-1975
Northern Q.M. (NYU) 1975-present
Constituent Meetings: Creek W.G. (South Starksboro) 1803-1813
Ferrisburg P.M. 1801-1813
Lincoln P.M. 1801-1813
Monkton P.M. 1801-1813
Montpelier W.G. 1801-1803
P.M. 1803-1813
Starksboro W.G. 1801-1803
P.M. 1803-1813
Weybridge W.G. 1811-1813

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| The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore, including minutes of Montpelier, Starksboro and Monkton Preparative Meetings.
MOUNT TOBY MONTHLY MEETING (I/U) (Leverett, Mass.)
Was Northampton Monthly Meeting before 1945
Was Middle Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting 1945-1964

This meeting had its origins in the independent Connecticut Valley Association of Friends, which included, after
1938, Northampton Monthly Meeting and several nearby worship groups. Northampton joined New England Yearly
Meeting in 1944; the following year, the name was changed to Middle Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting. It was
changed again to Mount Toby in 1964. South Berkshire Monthly Meeting was set off in 1984, and a new Northampton
Monthly Meeting was set off in 1994.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Association 1938-1944
Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1944-present
Constituent Meetings:
Berkshire W.G. 1971-1983
Gould Farm P.M. 1962-1967 (continued as Great Barrington W.G.)
Great Barrington W.G. 1955-1961 (continued as Gould Farm P.M.)
W.G. 1968-1970 (continued as Berkshire W.G.)
South Amherst/Hampshire W.G. 1971
Springfield W.G. 1944-1971 (sporadic)
Woolman Hill W.G. 1975, 1986-present

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Other early membership records are held by the meeting.

Springfield Allowed Meeting:

NANTUCKET MONTHLY MEETING (P) (Nantucket, Mass.)
1708-1845

Meetings began in Nantucket in 1704, and monthly meetings for business began in 1708. Although it was a
member of New England Yearly Meeting, a “Yearly Meeting for Worship” was held in Nantucket from 1711 to 1829. Be-
cause of heavy migration to distant Nova Scotia in Canada, meetings for worship began there under the care of Nantuck-
et in 1752. By 1792 membership had grown so much that a second meeting house on Nantucket was needed. This was
set off as a separate Nantucket Northern District Monthly Meeting in 1794 (see separate entry), and included the Nova
Scotia meeting. The Northern District meeting was laid down to the original Nantucket meeting in 1829, and the Nova
Scotia meeting was returned to Nantucket’s care. This Nantucket meeting was divided several times by the controversies
of the nineteenth century; a Hicksite meeting broke off in 1831, and among the Orthodox there was a division between
Wilburites and Gurneyites in 1845.

There are separate entries for the Hicksite, Gurneyite and Wilburite meetings. A later division regarding the
Otisites is discussed under the Wilburite entry. The Archives has extensive historical notes on the various meetings of Nantucket Friends, mostly compiled by Robert Leach, in both typescript and audio form.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Rhode Island Q.M. 1708-1781
- Sandwich Q.M. 1781-1867

Constituent Meetings:
- Dartmouth (N.S.) P.M. 1789-1794
- W.G. 1787-1789, 1829-1840
- Mount Royal (N.S.) W.G. 1752-ca.1781
- Northern District / Broad Street W.G. 1792-1794.

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**NANTUCKET MONTHLY MEETING (G) (Nantucket, Mass.) 1845-1867**

Gurneyite meetings began in Nantucket with the split of 1845. Some of their members joined from the disbanding Hicksite meeting on the island. Gurneyites were known through most of New England as the “larger body”, but in Nantucket they were less numerous, and their monthly meeting was laid down in 1867. Meetings for worship under the care of New Bedford Monthly Meeting continued through 1897.

Quarterly meetings: Sandwich (G) Q.M. 1845-1867
Constituent meetings: None

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NANTUCKET MONTHLY MEETING (W/O) (Nantucket, Mass; Warwick, R.I.)
1845-1945

Wilburite meetings began in Nantucket with the split of 1845. Though in most of New England the Wilburites were known as the "smaller body", in Nantucket they were more numerous, and outlasted the Gurneyite meeting. In 1863, the Wilburites seceded from their Yearly Meeting to form a "Primitive" or "Otsite" meeting. It was the only monthly meeting in the new Sandwich Q.M. (O), which in turn was the only quarterly meeting in the Annual Meeting for Friends in New England (O). Some friends on the mainland, in sympathy with the views of this meeting, joined them very early on, though without a separate meeting for business.

These mainland Otsites outlasted the ones in Nantucket. Though worship ended on Nantucket in 1894, the name remained Nantucket Monthly Meeting, based in Lynn, Massachusetts and Warwick (or Centreville), Rhode Island. This arrangement ended in 1911, with the return of the Nantucket Monthly Meeting to the Wilburites; it was now based entirely in Warwick. Summer meetings for worship in Nantucket resumed in 1939. With the unification of 1944, the Nantucket worship group remained independent; and the former members of the Warwick group joined to the newly united Providence Monthly Meeting. The Nantucket worship group became loosely affiliated with New England Yearly Meeting in 1956, and with Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in 1990.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Sandwich (W) Q.M. 1845-1863
- Sandwich (O) Q.M. 1863-1885
- New England (O) Q.M. 1885-1911
- Sandwich (W) Q.M. 1911-1945

Constituent Meetings:
- Lynn W.G. 1863-1911
- Nantucket W.G. 1863-1894, 1939-1945
- Warwick (R.I.) W.G. 1865-1945

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NANTUCKET MONTHLY MEETING (NYH) (Nantucket, Mass.) 1830-1846

This meeting was the only New England meeting outside of Vermont to be set off during the national Hicksite division, and was formed in 1830. It was part of New York Yearly Meeting, and was laid down in 1846 to Jericho Monthly Meeting in New York. Many of its members joined Nantucket’s Gurneyite meeting that split off in 1845, though there was no formal connection.

Quarterly meetings: Westbury Q.M. (Hicksite)(NYH)
Constituent meetings: None.

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NANTUCKET NORTHERN DISTRICT MONTHLY MEETING (P) (Nantucket, Mass.) 1794-1829

In 1792, Nantucket Monthly Meeting had grown so large that a second meeting house was built on the island to accommodate its members. This meeting, located on Broad Street on the northern end of the island, operated as a meeting for worship for two years, and was set off from Nantucket Monthly Meeting in 1794. It was given care of the meeting for worship in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia as well. The Northern District meeting was laid down in 1829. Some of its members soon joined Nantucket’s Hicksite meeting that formed in 1830, though there was no formal connection.

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. 1794-1829
Constituent Meetings: Dartmouth (N.S.) P.M. 1794-1829

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NARRAGANSETT MONTHLY MEETING
See Greenwich and South Kingstown Monthly Meetings

NARRAMISSIC VALLEY MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Orland, Me.)

Beginning in 1972, meetings for worship were held in Orland under the Midcoast Monthly Meeting. This was set off as Narramissic Valley Monthly Meeting in 1979.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1979-present
Constituent Meetings: None
NEW BEDFORD MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (New Bedford, Mass.)

New Bedford began meetings for worship in 1772, and was set off from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting in 1792. This meeting was divided by the split of 1845. Members of the Nantucket Monthly Meeting were received in 1867, and from Pembroke Monthly Meeting in 1876. Mattapoisett Monthly Meeting was set off in 1992.

Quarterly Meeting: Sandwich Q.M. 1792-present
Constituent Meetings: Acushnet W.G. 1792-1814, 1828-1946 (was unaffiliated mtg., 1956-1958)
P.M. 1814-1828 (to Long Plain)
Fairhaven W.G. 1848-1866, 1870-a.1931
Long Plain P.M. 1795-1992
Mattapoisett W.G. ca.1867-1992 (Particular meeting under Long Plain)
Nantucket W.G. 1867-1897
New Bedford P.M. 1792-1992
Pembroke P.M. 1877
W.G. 1877-a.1895
Rochester W.G. 1795-ca.1867
(Particular meeting under Long Plain. Became Mattapoisett after 1867)

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**Mattapoisett Particular Meeting:**
East Mattapoisett Sunday School: 1955-1955, 1 fol., RI 0
Newsletters: 1983-1983, 1 fol., RI 0

**Nantucket Meeting for Worship:**
Miscellaneous papers (with Nantucket): 1867-1893, 2 fol., RI 0
Treasurer’s accounts (with Nantucket): 1867-1881, 3 vol., RI 0

**New Bedford Preparative Meeting:**
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Women’s minutes: 1844-1901, 1 vol., RI 0
Joint minutes: 1905-1920, 1 vol., RI 0
Marriages: 1924-1965, 1 vol., RI 0
Account book: 1836-1901, 2 vol., RI 078
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Miscellaneous papers: 1955-1968, 0.25 ft., RI 0

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**NEW BEDFORD MONTHLY MEETING (W) (New Bedford, Mass.)**

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. It was laid down in 1865, and its members joined to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (W).

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. (W) 1845-1865
Constituent Meetings: None

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**NEW HAVEN MONTHLY MEETING (U) (New Haven, Conn.)**

Meetings were held in New Haven as early as 1935 under the independent Connecticut Valley Association of Friends. New Haven Monthly Meeting became part of New England Yearly Meeting in 1944. Guilford Monthly Meeting was set off in 1957.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Association 1935-1944
Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1944-present
Constituent Meetings: Guilford P.M. 1953-1957
Old Saybrook W.G. 1954-1955

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**NEW LONDON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Waterford, Conn.)**

New London Monthly Meeting was formed in 1966 from an independent worship group that began in 1963.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1967-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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**NEWPORT EVANGELICAL FRIENDS CHURCH (EFC) (Newport, R.I.)**

This meeting was created in 1960 from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting (EFC), as part of the Ohio Yearly Meeting, which became the Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region, in 1971.

Quarterly Meetings: Pennsylvania Q.M. (EFC) 1960-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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**NINE PARTNERS MONTHLY MEETING (NYP) (Dutchess County, New York)**

Nine Partners Monthly Meeting was set off from Oblong Monthly Meeting in 1769. It was based mainly in New York, but is of interest here mainly for the various meetings in western Connecticut and Massachusetts that fell under its care during its early years.

Quarterly Meetings: Purchase Q.M. (NYP) 1769-1783
Nine Partners Q.M. (NYP) 1783-present
Constituent Meetings (partial list): Canaan (Conn.) W.G. 1806-1820
P.M. 1820-1839
East Hoosack (Mass.) W.G. c.1769-1774
P.M. 1774-1778
New Cornwall (Conn.?) W.G. 1777-1782
West Hartford P.M. 1819-?
Also other New York meetings.

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**NORTH BERWICK MONTHLY MEETING**
See Berwick Monthly Meeting
NORTH DARTMOUTH MONTHLY MEETING (North Dartmouth, Mass.)  
See Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (W)

NORTH EASTON MONTHLY MEETING (North Easton, Mass.)

Independent meetings for worship began in North Easton during the early development of a planned Friends community there in 1977. This became a Monthly Meeting in 1980, and was laid down in 1994.

Quarterly Meeting: Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1980-1994  
Constituent Meetings: None

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NORTH FAIRFIELD MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (North Fairfield, Me.)  
Was Fairfield Monthly Meeting before 1935

Meetings for worship began in Fairfield in 1784 under Falmouth Monthly Meeting, and it became a preparative meeting in 1803 under the new Sidney Monthly Meeting. Fairfield Monthly Meeting began in 1911, and changed its name to North Fairfield around 1935. Saint Albans Monthly Meeting was laid down to Fairfield in 1928.

Quarterly Meeting: Fairfield Q.M. 1911-1952  
Vassalboro Q.M. 1952-present  
Constituent Meetings: East Benton W.G. 1956

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NORTH SANDWICH MONTHLY MEETING  
See Sandwich Monthly Meeting (N.H.).

NORTH SHORE MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Beverly Farms, Mass.)

North Shore Monthly Meeting was set off from Cambridge Monthly Meeting in 1981.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1981-present  
Constituent Meetings: None

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NORTH YARMOUTH MONTHLY MEETING  
See Falmouth Monthly Meeting
NORTHAMPTON MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Northampton, Mass.)
See also Mount Toby Monthly Meeting

Northampton had meetings for worship beginning in 1937, which evolved into the present Mount Toby Monthly Meeting. See the Connecticut Valley Association of Friends and Mount Toby Monthly Meeting for these early records. A new Northampton Monthly Meeting was set off from Mount Toby in 1994.

Quarterly Meetings: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1994-present
Constituent Meetings: None.

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OAK GROVE MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (Vassalboro, Me.)

Oak Grove Monthly Meeting was set off from Vassalboro Monthly Meeting in 1922, and was based in the Oak Grove Friends seminary. The meeting was laid down in 1988.

Quarterly Meetings: Vassalboro Q.M. 1922-1988
Constituent Meetings: None

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OAK STREET MONTHLY MEETING
See Falmouth Monthly Meeting

OAKWOODS MONTHLY MEETING
See Berwick Monthly Meeting

OBLONG MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Dutchess County, N.Y.)

Oblong Monthly Meeting was set off from Purchase Monthly Meeting in 1744. It is of interest here mainly because of the meetings in western Connecticut that fell under its care. West Hartford Monthly Meeting was set off from Oblong in 1805. In 1828, Oblong was divided between Orthodox and Hicksite meetings. The Orthodox meeting, which included the New Milford (Conn.) Preparative Meeting, was laid down in 1896. The Hicksite meeting was based exclusively in New York, and was laid down in 1903.

Quarterly Meetings: Westbury Q.M. (NYP) 1744-1745
Purchase Q.M. (NYP) 1745-1783
Nine Partners Q.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) 1783-1903
Constituent Meetings (partial list): New Milford (Conn.) W.G. 1744-1777
P.M. 1777-a.1884
West Hartford (Conn.) W.G. 1798-1800
P.M. 1800-1805

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The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore.
ORONO MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Orono, Me.)

Orono Monthly Meeting was set off from Vassalboro Monthly Meeting in 1973, after holding independent meetings for worship as early as 1960.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1973-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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OXFORD HILLS MONTHLY MEETING (U) (South Paris, Me.)

Oxford Hills Monthly Meeting was set off from Lewiston Monthly Meeting in 1993.

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See also Lewiston Monthly Meeting.

OYSTER BAY MONTHLY MEETING (P) (Oyster Bay, N.Y.)

This Long Island-based meeting was an original 1672 member of New England Yearly Meeting. It was also known as Flushing. When New York Yearly Meeting was formed in 1695, Oyster Bay was set off to it.

Quarterly Meetings: New England Y.M. 1672-1696
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PARSONSFIELD MONTHLY MEETING (G/U) (Parsonsfield, Me.)

Was Limington Monthly Meeting before 1846

Limington Preparative Meeting began in 1801 under Falmouth Monthly Meeting, and moved to the new Windham Monthly Meeting in 1803. It became Limington Monthly Meeting in 1846, and with a move to a neighboring town became Parsonsfield Monthly Meeting in 1888. This meeting is currently held in the town of Kezar Falls, Maine, but is in the process of being laid down.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1846-1888
Parsonsfield Q.M. 1888-1938
Falmouth Q.M. 1938-present
Constituent Meetings: East Parsonsfield W.G. ca.1878-a.1884
Limington W.G. 1846-1888
Parsonsfield P.M. 1846-1888
Meetings for worship began in the Pembroke area around 1660. As Duxbury Monthly Meeting, it was one of the original meetings for business formed in 1672. It was known as Scituate or Sittuate Monthly Meeting from 1685 to 1735, when it became Pembroke Monthly Meeting. It was held until 1876, when it was laid down and its members transferred to New Bedford or Sandwich. Meetings for worship continued to be held through at least 1895 under New Bedford Monthly Meeting. A worship group was held under Cambridge Monthly Meeting from 1964-1979, and Sandwich Monthly Meeting from 1988 to 1992.

**PEMBROKE MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Pembroke, Mass.)**

Meetings for worship began in the Pembroke area around 1660. As Duxbury Monthly Meeting, it was one of the original meetings for business formed in 1672. It was known as Scituate or Sittuate Monthly Meeting from 1685 to 1735, when it became Pembroke Monthly Meeting. It was held until 1876, when it was laid down and its members transferred to New Bedford or Sandwich. Meetings for worship continued to be held through at least 1895 under New Bedford Monthly Meeting. A worship group was held under Cambridge Monthly Meeting from 1964-1979, and Sandwich Monthly Meeting from 1988 to 1992.

**Quarterly Meetings:**
- New England Yearly Meeting 1672-1705
- Sandwich Q.M. 1705-1876

**Constituent Meetings:**
- Duxbury W.G. ca.1660-1703
- Hull W.G. ca.1693
- Marshfield W.G. b.1690-1720
- Mattakeset W.G. ca.1692
- Pembroke W.G. 1721-1876
- Scituate W.G. b.1679-1720

**PERU MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Peru, N.Y.)**

Peru Monthly Meeting was set off from Danby Monthly Meeting in 1799. It is of interest here because of the South Hero Preparative Meeting in Vermont that fell under its care. Peru Meeting was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in 1828. The South Hero meeting went with the Hicksite group, which was laid down in 1867. The Orthodox group was laid down in 1868.

**Quarterly Meetings:**
- Easton Q.M. (NYP) 1799-1809
- Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) 1809-1868

**Constituent meetings:**
- Included South Hero P.M. 1799-c.1860, also known as Grand Isle, Vt.

The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore.
PISCATAQUA MONTHLY MEETING (P) (Dover, N.H.)

This was a monthly meeting as early as 1672. It seems to have split into Dover and Hampton Monthly Meetings in 1701. None of its early records have survived.

Quarterly Meetings:
- New England Yearly Meeting 1672-1701
Constituent Meetings:
- Dover Neck W.G. 1680-1701

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PLAINFIELD MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Plainfield, Vt.)

Plainfield had a worship group under Burlington Monthly Meeting beginning in 1959. It became Plainfield Monthly Meeting in 1965.

Quarterly Meeting:
- Northwest Q.M. 1965-present
Constituent Meetings:
- Barton-Glover W.G. 1984-1990
- Peacham W.G. 1995-present
- St. Johnsbury W.G. 1987-1990

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PLEASANT STREET MONTHLY MEETING (I/U) (Worcester, Mass.)

See Uxbridge Monthly Meeting after 1979

In 1952, several members of the programmed Worcester Monthly Meeting desired unprogrammed meetings, and left to form the independent Pleasant Street Friends Meeting. This meeting affiliated with the Yearly Meeting in 1967 as Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting. In 1973, they began holding joint meetings with the Worcester Monthly Meeting again, and thus had joint Quarterly Meeting membership. In 1979, the two meetings formally merged as Worcester-Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting, and gave up Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting membership in 1988.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Independent 1952-1963
- Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1963-1979
- Double membership 1979-1988 (Connecticut Valley and R.I. - Smithfield)
- Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1988-present
Constituent Meetings:
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PONDTOWN MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Winthrop, Me.)

Pondtown Monthly Meeting was set off from Winthrop Monthly Meeting in 1983. Farmington Monthly Meeting was set off in 1991.
Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1983-present

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Farmington Worship Group:
Minutes (with Farmington) 1990-1991 1 fol. RI 0

PORTLAND MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Portland, Me.)
See also Falmouth and Forest Avenue Monthly Meetings

Meetings were held for worship in Portland as early as 1752, and formally joined Falmouth Monthly Meeting in 1790. Portland Preparative Meeting began in 1796, and was laid down in 1842. In 1850, Falmouth Monthly Meeting built a new meeting house on Oak Street in Portland.

An additional meeting house was built on Forest Avenue in Portland in 1855, and housed the unprogrammed Deering Meeting for Worship. The former Falmouth Preparative Meeting was renamed Deering Preparative Meeting (1876), which by 1934 had evolved into Forest Avenue Monthly Meeting (1934). At this point, there were two monthly meetings in Portland, until their merger as Portland Monthly Meeting in 1974. They remain at the Forest Avenue location.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1974-present

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PORTSMOUTH EVANGELICAL FRIENDS CHURCH (EFC) (Portsmouth, R.I.)

This meeting was created in 1960 from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting (EFC), as part of the Ohio Yearly Meeting, which became the Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region, in 1971.

Quarterly Meetings: Pennsylvania Q.M. (EFC) 1960-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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PROVIDENCE FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETING (I) (Providence, R.I.)

See Providence Monthly Meeting after 1944

This independent meeting, with a Wilburite orientation, was formed in 1935, and joined the American Friends Fellowship Council in 1939. In 1944, with the general unification, this meeting joined with Providence Monthly Meeting (Gurneyite) and the Providence-based Nantucket Monthly Meeting (Wilburite) to become a unified Providence Monthly Meeting.

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The earliest regular “Providence” meetings actually met at what is now called Saylesville, R.I., beginning in 1705, under Greenwich Monthly Meeting. Providence Monthly Meeting was set off in 1718, and the first meetings within the present city boundaries began in 1725. The name was changed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting in 1732. See Smithfield Monthly Meeting for this meeting’s records.

In 1783, a new Providence Monthly Meeting was split off from Smithfield, with meetings held in Providence and “Lower Smithfield”, near the village of Saylesville. This meeting was divided in the split of 1845. In 1944, it was merged with the independent Providence Friends Fellowship Monthly Meeting and the Nantucket Monthly Meeting (W). Members of the defunct Greenwich Monthly Meeting were received in 1945.

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1783-1971
(Rhode Island and Narragansett Q.M. joint membership, 1944-1951)
Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1971-present
Constituent Meetings:
- Conanicut W.G. 1971-present
- Cumberland W.G. 1809-1888
- Martha’s Vineyard (Mass.) W.G. 1946-1953
- Saylesville P.M. 1894-present
- Scituate W.G. 1783-1845, 1859-1863
- Smithfield P.M. 1783-1877
  W.G. 1877-1894 (became Saylesville P.M.)
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Conanicut Worship Group:
Newsletter 1987 1 page RI 0

Saylesville Preparative Meeting:
Minutes 1980-1988 2 fol. RI 0
Newsletters 1986-1987 1 fol. RI 0

PROVIDENCE MONTHLY MEETING (W) (North Providence/Pawtucket, R.I.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1844. Swansea Monthly Meeting (W) was joined to Providence in 1863, and Rhode Island Monthly Meeting (W) in 1864. Providence M.M. (W) was laid down in 1881, and its members joined to South Kingstown Monthly Meeting (W) as Pawtucket W.G., which met until 1892.

In 1865, a portion of the Warwick meeting for worship seems to have broken off to join the “Otisite” New England Quarterly Meeting. See Nantucket Monthly Meeting (O).

Quarterly Meeting: Rhode Island Q.M. 1844-1881
Constituent Meetings: Fall River (Mass.) P.M. 1863-1872
W.G. 1872-1876
Greenwich P.M. 1856-1863
W.G. 1863-1864 (became Warwick W.G.)
Newport W.G. 1864-1872
North Providence W.G. 1844-1874 (became Pawtucket W.G.)
Pawtucket W.G. 1874-1881
Warwick W.G. 1864-1881

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PURCHASE MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYH/NYO/NYU) (Purchase, N.Y.)

This meeting was founded in New York Yearly Meeting in 1725. It is of interest here because of the meetings in southwestern Connecticut that fell under its care. Purchase Monthly Meeting was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in the split of 1828. Only the Hicksite meeting had meetings for worship in Connecticut. The two meetings were reunited in 1937. Wilton Monthly Meeting was set off from Purchase in 1947, and Stamford Monthly Meeting was set off in 1953.

Quarterly Meetings: Westbury Q.M. (NYP) 1725-1745
Purchase Q.M. (NYP/NYH/NYO/NYU) 1745-present

Constituent Meetings (partial list): Middlesex (Darien, Conn.) W.G. 1794-1809
P.M. 1809-1846
New Milford (Conn.) W.G. b.1739-1744
Stamford (Conn.) W.G. 1947-1949
  P.M. 1949-1953
Weston (Conn.) W.G. 1938-1942
  P.M. 1942-1947

The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore, including records of Middlesex P.M.

PUTNEY MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Putney, Vt.)

Meetings for worship were held in Putney from 1942 to 1944, loosely connected to the Connecticut Valley Association of Friends. An independent meeting for worship began again around 1963, and joined Bennington Monthly Meeting in 1964. Putney Monthly Meeting was set off in 1969. Quaker City Unity Monthly Meeting was set off from Putney in 1993.

Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1969-present
Constituent Meetings:
  Quaker City Unity (N.H.) W.G. 1991-1993
  West Brattleboro W.G. 1991-1993

Quaker City Worship Group:
Minutes (with Quaker City Unity M.M. records) 1990-1993 1 fol. RI 0

QUAKER CITY UNITY MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Unity, N.H.)

Meetings for worship had been held in Unity, N.H. since 1813, in conjunction with the town of Acworth, under Weare Monthly Meeting. Unity Preparative Meeting began in 1822, and was laid down in 1855. After 1886, meetings were held only once each summer, or less. These annual summer meetings started again in 1978, and in 1984 a regular meeting for worship began meeting again under the informal care of Weare Monthly Meeting. As Quaker City, this meeting formally came under the care of Putney Monthly Meeting in 1990, and was set off as Quaker City Unity Monthly Meeting in 1993.

Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1993-present
Constituent Meetings: None

Minutes 1990-1996 1 fol. RI 0
Weare M.M. minutes extracts 1813-1989 1 fol. RI 0

RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Newport, R.I.)

Meetings for worship began in Newport in 1657, and became Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in 1672. Swansea Monthly Meeting was set off in 1732. Rhode Island Monthly Meeting was unique in owning extensive lands at Easton’s Point, which it rented to tenants. The meeting was divided in the split of 1844. In 1951, the meeting was technically
laid down, with two meetings replacing it. One became affiliated with the evangelical Ohio Yearly Meeting (see below), while the one discussed here remained within New England Yearly Meeting. It was laid down in 1960 by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. Since then, worship groups have been held in Newport and Jamestown under Providence Monthly Meeting or the loose jurisdiction of New England Yearly Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings:
- New England Yearly Meeting 1672-1699
- Rhode Island Q.M. 1699-1951
- Sandwich Q.M. 1951-1960

Constituent Meetings:
- Jamestown W.G. 1684-1706, 1740-1802, 1811-ca.1840
- P.M. 1706-1740, 1802-1811 (also called Conanicut W.G.)
  Some summer meetings held through 1951.
- Little Compton W.G. 1700-1706, 1723-1777
- P.M. 1706-1723
- Newport P.M. 1657-1951
- Portsmouth P.M. b.1676-1951
- Swansea (Mass.) P.M. 1713-1732
- Tiverton W.G. 1729-1777, 1780-1884
- Wickapimsett W.G. 1701-1706
  P.M. 1706-1712 (became Swansea P.M.)

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*(includes a handful of deaths recorded before the arrival of Friends in Newport, mostly relatives of later members)*

- Deaths 1808-1878 1 vol. NW 010+
- Membership 1912-1951 1 vol. NW 0
- Denials and condemnations 1708-1827 vol. NW 010+
- Slave manumissions 1730-1804 vol. NW 010+
- Removals (women’s) 1786-1880 1 vol. NW 010+
- Removals (men’s) and epistles 1786-1895 1 vol. NW 010+
- Loose sufferings, marriages, etc. 1708-ca.1750 1 fol. NW 0
- Ministers and elders 1793-1895 1 vol. NW 0
- Ministry and oversight 1903-1951 3 vol. NW 0
- Treasurer’s accounts 1820-1951 4 vol. NW 0
- Easton’s Point proprietors records 1696-1899 4 vol. NW 0
- Discipline (printed, with notes) 1785 1 vol. NW 0
- Visitors books 1656-1814 2 vol. NW 0
- Meeting house history abstracts 1969 1 vol. NW 0

**Newport Preparative Meeting:**
- Women’s Foreign Missionary Society 1900-1911 2 vol. NW 0

**Portsmouth Preparative Meeting:**
- Minutes 1924-1933 1 vol. NW 0
RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEETING (W/I) (Newport, R.I.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1844. By 1863, only one member remained in the men’s meeting, and thus joint meetings were held for several months. This meeting was laid down in 4th month, 1864 by the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting (W), with its members transferred to Providence Monthly Meeting (W), but a small number of Friends did not recognize this decision, and continued to meet as Rhode Island Monthly Meeting through 1864.

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. (W) 1844-1864
Independent 1864
Constituent Meetings: Newport P.M. 1844-1864

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RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEETING (EFC) (Newport, R.I.)

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting was split in 1951. Part of the meeting became affiliated with the evangelical Ohio Yearly Meeting, which became the Evangelical Friends Church, Eastern Region, in 1971. This Rhode Island Monthly Meeting was divided into Newport and Portsmouth Monthly Meetings in 1960.

Quarterly Meetings: Pennsylvania Q.M. (EFC) 1951-1960
Constituent Meetings: Newport P.M. 1951-1960
Portsmouth P.M. 1951-1960

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RICHMOND MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Richmond, N.H.)

Meetings for worship began in Richmond in 1766, under Smithfield Monthly Meeting, and in 1783 transferred to Uxbridge Monthly Meeting. In 1792, Richmond Monthly Meeting was set off. This meeting was laid down in 1850, and its members returned to Uxbridge Monthly Meeting. A detailed history of the Pelham Preparative Meeting is available: Disowned, Disrupted, Dissolved: The Life and Times of the Members of the Society of Friends (Quakers) in Pelham, Massachusetts, 1806-1870, Including Genealogy on Most of These Families, by Paul J. Bigelow (published by the author, 1985).

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1792-1801
Smithfield Q.M. 1801-1850
Constituent Meetings: Pelham W.G. (Mass.) 1808-1813, 1821-a.1833
P.M. 1813-1821

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SAINT ALBANS MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Saint Albans, Me.)

Saint Albans began meetings in 1828 under China Monthly Meeting, and was set off as a monthly meeting from Vassalboro Monthly Meeting in 1840. Cornville Monthly Meeting was set off in 1902, and returned in 1907. Saint Albans Monthly Meeting was laid down in 1928 to Fairfield Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings:  
Vassalboro Q.M. 1840-1841  
Fairfield Q.M. 1841-1928

Constituent Meetings:  
Milo W.G. 1845  
Ornville W.G. 1844-1846

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SALEM MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Salem and Lynn, Mass.)
Called Lynn Monthly Meeting after 1927

Meetings for worship began in Salem in 1657, which became Salem Monthly Meeting in 1672. This meeting was divided by the split of 1845. Boston Monthly Meeting was set off in 1883. The name of the Salem meeting was changed to Lynn Monthly Meeting in 1927; it was laid down in 1986.

Quarterly Meetings:  
New England Yearly Meeting 1672-1705  
Salem Q.M. 1705-1986

Constituent Meetings:  
Bolton W.G. 1763-1779  
P.M. 1779-1785  
Boston W.G. 1661-1707, 1792-1808, 1870-79  
P.M. ca.1707-1792, 1879-1883  
East Lynn P.M. 1899-1929  
East Lynn Chapel W.G. 1891-1899  
Lynn P.M. 1688-1951  
Salem P.M. ca.1688-1925

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Pope Fund accounts 1844-1897 1 vol. RI 091
Overseer’s minutes 1884-1922 2 vol. RI 091
Ministry and oversight 1902-1913 1 vol. RI 091
Ministry and oversight 1913-1929 1 vol. RI 090
Ministry and oversight 1930-1946 1 vol. RI 092
Meeting history 1921 1 fol. RI 0
Newsletters 1970-1970 1 fol. RI 0
Original documents re early Friends in Boston 1657-1664 3 items RI 0
See also Lynn P.M. below.

East Lynn Preparative Meeting:
Minutes 1899-1919 2 vol. RI 092

Lynn Preparative Meeting:
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Men’s and joint minutes 1845-1925 5 vol. RI 090
Joint minutes 1925-1951 1 vol. RI 092
Pastoral committee 1907-1912 1 vol. RI 092
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Pastoral committee 1925-1933 1 vol. RI 0
Pastoral committee 1939-1945 2 vol. RI 092
Treasurer’s records 1851-1907 3 vol. RI 092
Board of overseers 1922-1963 1 vol. RI 0
Foreign missionary society 1923-1929 2 fol. RI 0
East Lynn Chapel 1886-1890 1 vol. RI 092
East Lynn Chapel school 1892-1907 1 vol. RI 0
Essay meetings 1868-1875 1 vol. RI 092
Lynn Realty Trust 1924-1944 3 ft. RI 0
Miscellaneous papers 1825-1979 0.5 ft. RI 0

Salem Preparative Meeting:
Men’s and joint minutes 1881-1918 3 vol. RI 091
School and poor fund accounts 1836-1878 1 vol. RI 0
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SALEM MONTHLY MEETING (W) (Lynn, Mass.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845. It was laid down in 1863, and its members transferred to Berwick Monthly Meeting in theory. Many of the members seem to have then joined the “Otisite” or “Primitive” Nantucket Monthly Meeting (O), under the new New England Quarterly Meeting (O). Their worship group seems to have lasted until 1911.

Quarterly Meetings: Salem Q.M. (W) 1845-1851
Salem and Dover Q.M. (W) 1851-1863
Constituent Meetings: None
SANDWICH MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (East Sandwich, Mass.)

Sandwich first had meetings for worship in 1657, and became Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1672. It continues to the present. In 1783, several Friends were disowned from this meeting, and set up an independent meeting known as the Timothy Davis Separation, which met through at least 1815. Parts of Sandwich Monthly Meeting were set off to New Bedford Monthly Meeting in 1795. Several unpublished histories on various aspects of Sandwich Monthly Meeting and its constituent meetings have been compiled in the past twenty years, and are available at the Archives. In addition, there is a 39-page history by John H. Dillingham titled *The Society of Friends in Barnstable County, Massachusetts*, published in 1891.

Quarterly Meetings:
- New England Yearly Meeting 1672-1705
- Sandwich Q.M. 1705-present

Constituent Meetings:
- East Sandwich P.M. 1962-present
- Long Plain W.G. 1750-1786
- P.M. 1786-1795
- Lower Cape W.G. 1995-present (in Wellfleet; under Yarmouth P.M.)
- Pembroke W.G. 1988-1992
- Rochester P.M. 1740-1786 (then Long Plain)
- W.G. 1786-1795
- Truro W.G. 1987-1994 (under Yarmouth P.M.; became Lower Cape W.G.)
- West Falmouth W.G. 1681-1709
- P.M. 1709-present (also Suckonesset)
- Yarmouth W.G. 1681-1811
- P.M. 1811-1909, 1955-present

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**East Sandwich Preparative Meeting:**

Minutes 1984-1990 0.25 ft. RI 0
In 1781, Timothy Davis was disowned from Sandwich Monthly Meeting. Several other Friends in Sandwich and Dartmouth monthly meetings were subsequently disowned for supporting him. This group set up an independent monthly meeting, which only met quarterly for business after 1795, and apparently ceased altogether in 1815.

Quarterly Meeting: Independent, 1781-1815
Constituent Meetings:
- Acushnet W.G. 1781-1801
- Long Plain W.G. 1781-1795
- New Bedford W.G. 1789-1813
- Rochester W.G. 1781-1815

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SANDWICH MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Tamworth, N.H.)
Called North Sandwich Monthly Meeting after 1983

Sandwich, New Hampshire had meetings for worship starting in 1783, under Dover Monthly Meeting. Sandwich Monthly Meeting was set off in 1802. In 1816 the meeting house was moved to Tamworth, N.H. The name was changed to North Sandwich Monthly Meeting in 1983.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Salem Q.M. 1802-1815
- Dover Q.M. 1815-1888
- Parsonsfield Q.M. 1888-1938
- Falmouth Q.M. 1938-present
Constituent Meetings:
- Center Sandwich W.G. 1982-1985
- Sandwich North W.G. 1802-14, 1884-present
- Sandwich P.M. 1814-1884
- Sandwich South (or Center) P.M. 1802-1884
- Sandwich East (Southeast) W.G. 1821-1827
- Wolfboro W.G. b.1805-1814, 1851-b.1869
- P.M. 1814-1851

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SARATOGA MONTHLY MEETING (NYP) (Saratoga, N.Y.)

Saratoga Monthly Meeting was set off from Nine Partners Monthly Meeting in 1778. It was based primarily in New York, but is of interest here because of the Vermont and Massachusetts meetings under its care. In 1783, East Hoo-sack Monthly Meeting (based in Adams, Mass.) was set off. In 1795, Saratoga Monthly Meeting split into Easton and Danby Monthly Meetings. Easton was based entirely in New York. See the separate entry for Danby to trace the early Vermont Meetings.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Nine Partners Q.M. (NYP) 1778-1793
- Easton and Saratoga Q.M. (NYP) 1793-1795

Constituent meetings (partial list):
- Danby (Vt.) W.G. 1780-1781
- P.M. 1781-1795
- East Hoosack (Adams, Mass.) P.M. 1778-1783
- Ferrisburgh (Vt.) W.G. 1791-1792
- P.M. 1792-1795
- Lincoln (Vt.) W.G. c.1792-1795
- Also other New York meetings not mentioned.

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The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore.

SCITUATE MONTHLY MEETING
See Pembroke Monthly Meeting

SEABROOK MONTHLY MEETING
See Hampton Monthly Meeting

SIDNEY MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Sidney, Me.)

Sidney began meetings for worship in 1795, under Vassalboro Monthly Meeting. It became a preparative meeting in 1800, and Sidney Monthly Meeting was set off in 1802. Fairfield Monthly Meeting was set off in 1911 from Sidney. Sidney was laid down in 1932 to Winthrop Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Falmouth Q.M. 1802-1813
- Vassalboro Q.M. 1813-1841
- Fairfield Q.M. 1841-1932

Constituent Meetings:
- Athens P.M. b.1805-ca.1824
- W.G. ca.1824-ca.1833
- Belgrade W.G. 1802-1864, 1876-1879
- Capstown W.G. 1803
- Fairfield P.M. 1802-1901
- W.G. 1901-1907
- Oakland W.G. 1907-1932
- Sidney P.M. 1802-1901
- Tingtown W.G. 1804 (also Wilton)
- Winthrop P.M. 1802-1808
SMITHFIELD MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Woonsocket, R.I.)

A Providence Preparative Meeting was held at what became Saylesville, R.I., beginning in 1705, under Greenwich Monthly Meeting. This was set off as Providence Monthly Meeting in 1718. The name became Smithfield Monthly Meeting in 1731, when the town of Smithfield was formed from Providence. In 1783, the meeting split into four sections: Smithfield Monthly Meeting (at “upper Smithfield”), Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, Providence Monthly Meeting, and Lower Smithfield Constituent Meeting (the Saylesville meeting, now under the new Providence Monthly Meeting). Smithfield Monthly Meeting has been held since 1719 in what is now Woonsocket, R.I.

Quarterly Meetings:
Rhode Island Q.M. 1718-1801
Smithfield Q.M. 1801-1971
Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1971-present

Constituent Meetings:
Blackstone (Mass.) P.M. 1845-1882
W.G. 1882-1883, 1892
Burrillville P.M. 1806-1893
W.G. 1893-b.1901
Douglas (Mass.) W.G. ?-1783
Elisabeth Aldrich’s House W.G. 1773-a.1776
Foxboro (Mass.) W.G. 1804-1809 (became Mansfield W.G.)
Glocester W.G. 1791-1793
P.M. 1793-1806 (became Burrillville P.M.)
Leicester (Mass.) W.G. ca.1739-1783
Mansfield (Mass.) W.G. 1809-1819
P.M. 1819-1898
Mendon (Mass.) W.G. 1718-1818 (became Mendon North W.G.)
Mendon (Mass.) P.M. 1815-1845 (became Blackstone P.M.)
Mendon North (Mass.) W.G. 1818-1841
Mendon South (Mass.) W.G. 1818-1845
Northbridge W.G. ca.1765-1783
Providence W.G. 1725-1783 (known as Stamper’s Hill W.G. 1725-1745)
Richmond (N.H.) W.G. 1766-1775, 1776-1783
P.M. 1775-1776
Saylesville P.M. 1718-1783
Known as: Providence P.M. 1718-1731
Smithfield P.M. 1731-1773
Lower Smithfield P.M. 1773-1783
Scituate W.G. ca.1736-1783
Thomas Steer’s House W.G. 1773-a.1776
Thompson (Conn.) W.G.? 1821-1822
Uxbridge (Mass.) W.G. ca.1767-1772, 1994-present
P.M. 1772-1783

Wionkhege W.G. (Smithfield, R.I.) ?-1783

Woonsocket W.G. 1719-1773, 1898-present
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Smithfield Preparative Meeting:
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SOUTH BERKSHIRE MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Great Barrington, Mass.)

This meeting had its origins in an independent meeting for worship that began in Monterey, Massachusetts circa 1952. It moved and was affiliated with the Middle Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting as Great Barrington W.G. in
1955. The name was changed to Gould Farm in 1962 and Berkshire in 1971. This meeting was set off from Mount Toby Monthly Meeting as South Berkshire Monthly Meeting in 1984.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1984-present
Constituent Meetings: None

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SOUTH KINGSTOWN MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Peace Dale, R.I.)

Meetings for worship began in Kingston in 1701, and South Kingstown Monthly Meeting was set off from Greenwich Monthly Meeting in 1743. It was sometimes referred to as Narragansett Monthly Meeting. The meeting was suspended from 1842 until 1847, being divided in the split of 1845, and was laid down in 1899 by the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. For more information, see The Narragansett Friends’ Meeting in the XVIII Century by Caroline Hazard (Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1899).

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1743-1842, 1847-1899
Constituent Meetings: Charlestown W.G. (R.I.) 1743-1745
Hopkinton P.M. 1743-1888
Richmond (R.I.) P.M. 1743-1842
Westerly P.M. 1743-1777
W.G. 1777-1800 (also called Dunn’s Corners)
Western W.G. 1750-1885 (near Matunuck)
Wood River W.G. 1825-1834 (Hopkinton, R.I.)

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SOUTH KINGSTOWN MONTHLY MEETING (W/U) (Westerly, R.I.)
Called Westerly Monthly Meeting after 1945

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845, from members of South Kingstown and Greenwich Monthly Meetings. Providence Monthly Meeting (W) was laid down to South Kingstown in 1881. South Kingstown was one of three monthly meetings in the Wilburite yearly meeting to survive through the unification of 1945, when it became Westerly Monthly Meeting.
Quarterly Meetings:
- Rhode Island Q.M. (W) 1845-1935
- R.I. and Sandwich Q.M. (W) 1935-1944
- Narragansett Q.M. 1944-1951
- Rhode Island Q.M. 1951-1971
- Rhode Island-Smithfield Q.M. 1971-present

Constituent Meetings:
- Block Island W.G. 1981-present
- Hopkinton P.M. 1845-1889
- Newport W.G. 1883-1885
- Pawtucket W.G. 1881-1892
- South Kingstown P.M. 1845-1932 (at Westerly)
- South Kingstown W.G. ca.1945-1948
- Westerly P.M. 1854-1929
- W.G. 1929-present

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SOUTH STARKSBORO MONTHLY MEETING (NY/U) (South Starksboro, Vt.)

The South Starksboro meeting had its origins in a meeting for worship called Creek Allowed Meeting, which was formed under Monkton Monthly Meeting in 1803. Vermont meetings at this time were under the care of New York Yearly Meeting, rather than New England. The meeting became Creek Preparative Meeting in 1825. In 1850, Starksboro Monthly Meeting was laid down, and Creek continued as a meeting under the care of Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting (still under New York). The name was changed to South Starksboro Preparative Meeting in 1881. Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting became inactive, and South Starksboro assumed monthly meeting status by 1952. In 1975, when its quarterly meeting was laid down, it was transferred to New England Yearly Meeting. South Starksboro became a preparative meeting again in 1982, under the care of Middlebury Monthly Meeting. It regained monthly meeting status in 1996.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Ferrisburgh Q.M. ca. 1952-1975

Constituent Meetings:
- None.

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Also inquire with the New York Yearly Meeting Archives. Many early records burned in fire at clerk’s home, 1930.
STAMFORD-GREENWICH MONTHLY MEETING (NYU) (Stamford, Conn.)

Meetings for worship in Stamford began in 1947 under Purchase Monthly Meeting. Stamford Monthly Meeting was set off in 1953. The name was changed to Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Meeting in 1965.

Quarterly Meetings: Purchase Q.M. (NYU) 1953-present
Constituent Meetings: None?

Inquire with the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore for records.

STARKSBORO MONTHLY MEETING (NYP/NYO/NYH) (Starksboro, Vt.)

Starksboro Monthly Meeting was founded in 1813 by the division of Monkton Monthly Meeting. It was divided into Orthodox and Hicksite meetings in 1847. The Orthodox meeting was laid down to Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting in 1850. The Hicksite meeting chose a Kingite affiliation in 1859 and was laid down by 1881. The South Starksboro or Creek Preparative Meeting (Orthodox) survived under Ferrisburgh, and is now South Starksboro Monthly Meeting (see separate entry).

Quarterly Meetings: Ferrisburgh Q.M. (NYP/NYO/NYH) 1813-1850
Constituent Meetings: Barton W.G. c.1821
Creek (South Starksboro) W.G. 1813-1825
P.M. 1825-1850
Danville W.G. c.1821
Darby W.G. c.1821
Lincoln P.M. 1813-1850
Montpelier P.M. 1813-a1838
South Lincoln W.G. 1815-1820
P.M. 1820-a.1821

The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore, in original or photocopy form, including the records of Montpelier, Starksboro and Creek Preparative Meetings. Some of the original records are also at the University of Vermont in Burlington.

STORRS MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Storrs, Conn.)

Storrs Monthly Meeting began in 1963; a worship group had met there since 1956, under Hartford Monthly Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting: Connecticut Valley M.M. 1963-present

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SWANSEA MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (South Somerset, Mass.)

Swansea began meetings for worship in 1701 under Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, and became Swansea Monthly Meeting in 1732. The meeting was divided by the split of 1844.

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1732-1951
                    Sandwich Q.M. 1951-present
Constituent Meetings: Fall River W.G. 1818-1824 (became Troy)
                     P.M. 1834-1960
                    Freetown W.G. b.1735-ca.1778, 1856-1917
                     P.M. ca.1778-1856
                    Somerset W.G. ca. 1790-present (home of Swansea P.M.)
                    Taunton W.G. b.1735-1831
                    Troy P.M. 1824-1834 (became Fall River P.M.)

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Swansea Preparative Meeting:
Select meeting                | 1839-1911   | 1 vol.   | RI   | 035   |
Select meeting                | 1839-1857   | 1 vol.   | RI   | 0     |
Joint minutes                 | 1873-1914   | 2 vol.   | RI   | 034   |

SWANSEA MONTHLY MEETING (W/I) (Fall River, Mass.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1844. It was laid down in 1863 by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting (W), and the Fall River Preparative Meeting was transferred to Providence Monthly Meeting (W). A small number of Friends did not recognize this decision, and continued to meet as Swansea Monthly Meeting until 1865.

Quarterly Meetings: Rhode Island Q.M. 1844-1863
                   Independent 1863-1865
Constituent Meetings: Fall River P.M. 1844-1865

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UNITY MONTHLY MEETING (P/G) (Unity, Me.)

Meetings for worship were held in Unity beginning in 1815, under Harlem/China Monthly Meeting. Unity Monthly Meeting was set off in 1837. Maple Grove Monthly Meeting was set off from Unity in 1890. Unity Monthly Meeting was laid down in 1938.

Quarterly Meeting: Vassalboro Q.M. 1837-1938
Constituent Meetings:
Albion P.M. 1837-1860
   W.G. 1860-1866, 1873-ca.1884
Brooks P.M. 1837-1872
   W.G. 1872-1907
Five Islands W.G. 1861-1863, 1865-b.1869
   P.M. 1863-1865 (in the town of Winn)
Maple Grove W.G. 1860-1869
   P.M. 1869-1890
Thorndike W.G. 1837-1849, 1876-1887
   P.M. 1849-1876 (began as “mtg. in Robt. Hanson’s home”)

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UNITY MONTHLY MEETING (Unity, N.H.)
See Quaker City Unity Monthly Meeting

UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY MONTHLY MEETING
(I/U) (Burlington, Vt.)

Several independent worship groups joined into a semi-formal group called Vermont and New Hampshire Friends around 1954. In 1956, this group joined New England Yearly Meeting as the Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting. It was very informally structured, and any effort to list its "constituent meetings" is somewhat imprecise. In 1959, the meeting was divided into Burlington and Hanover Monthly Meetings, which constituted the new Northwest Quarterly Meeting.

Quarterly meetings: Independent, 1954-1956
Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1956-1959
Constituent meetings:
Burlington W.G. 1955-1959
Hanover W.G. 1954-1959
Middlebury W.G. 1956-1959
Rockingham W.G. 1956-1959
Rutland W.G. 1955-1956
Springfield W.G. 1955-1959
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**UXBRIDGE MONTHLY MEETING**
(P/G/U) (Uxbridge and Worcester, Mass.)
Called Worcester Monthly Meeting 1907-1979
Called Worcester-Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting after 1979
See also Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting

Uxbridge held meetings for worship under Smithfield Monthly Meeting beginning in 1767. Uxbridge Monthly Meeting was set off in 1783. The name was changed to Worcester Monthly Meeting in 1907; no more meetings were held in Uxbridge until 1994, when a worship group was revived under Smithfield Monthly Meeting.

In 1952, an independent monthly meeting broke off from Worcester Monthly Meeting, under the name Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting. The two meetings began holding joint worship in 1973, and united in 1979 as Worcester-Pleasant Street Monthly Meeting.

Richmond Monthly Meeting was set off from Uxbridge in 1792, and returned in 1850. Bolton Monthly Meeting was set off from Uxbridge in 1799, and returned to Worcester in 1972.

Quarterly Meetings:
Rhode Island Q.M. 1783-1801
Smithfield Q.M. 1801-1971
Rhode Island-Smithfield 1971-present
(also joint membership in Connecticut Valley Q.M. 1973-1988)

Constituent Meetings:
Bolton P.M. 1785-1799
Douglas W.G. 1783-1796
P.M. 1796-1833
Glocester W.G. (R.I.) 1783-1791
Leicester W.G. 1783-1794
P.M. 1794-1848 (became Worcester P.M.)
Northbridge W.G. 1783-1798, 1901-ca.1914
P.M. 1798-ca.1901
Pomfret P.M. 1815-1860
Richmond W.G. 1783-1784
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Uxbridge P.M. 1783-1892
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Ministry and oversight 1793-1883 1 vol. RI 133
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Christian Endeavor records 1890-1902 1 vol. RI 0
Treasurer’s book 1794-1885 1 vol. RI 133
Newsletters 1959-1995 3 fol. RI 0

**VASSALBORO MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (East Vassalboro, Me.)**
Called East Vassalboro Friends Meeting 1990-1992

Meetings for worship began in Vassalboro in 1780, under Falmouth Monthly Meeting, and became a preparative meeting in 1784. Vassalboro Monthly Meeting was set off in 1787. Several monthly meetings have been set off from Vassalboro, including Sidney in 1802, Harlem in 1813, Saint Albans in 1841, Oak Grove in 1922, and Orono in 1973. The parent meeting was called East Vassalboro Friends Meeting from 1990 to 1992, and is now Vassalboro Friends Meeting.

Quarterly Meetings:
- Salem Q.M. 1787-1794
- Falmouth Q.M. 1794-1813
- Vassalboro Q.M. 1813-present

Constituent Meetings:
- Belgrade W.G. 1801-1802
- Bristol W.G. 1787-1801, 1819-1826
  - P.M. 1801-1819 (also called Broad Cove; in present-day Bremen, Me.)
- Camden W.G. 1798-1813
- Colby W.G. 1988-1989
- Dresden W.G. 1798
- East Benton W.G. 1892-1925
- East Vassalboro W.G. 1797-1799
  - P.M. 1799-1928
  - (also known as East Pond, Pond, Outlet or 12-Mile Pond Meeting)
- Fairfax W.G. 1810-1812
  - P.M. 1812-1813
- Fairfield W.G. 1787-1789
  - P.M. 1789-1802
- Harlem W.G. 1802-1809
  - P.M. 1809-1813
- Lincoln Jackson W.G. ca.1810-1813
- Long Island W.G. b.1806-1812 (also Isleborough)
- Orono W.G. 1969-1973
- Saint Albans W.G. b.1833-1837
  - P.M. 1837-1841
- Sidney W.G. 1795-1800
  - P.M. 1800-1802
- Sonnabeck W.G. b.1802-1813
- Vassalboro P.M. 1787-1893 (also River Meeting)
- Winthrop W.G. 1792-1802
  - P.M. 1802

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VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE FRIENDS
See Upper Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting

VILLAGE STREET MONTHLY MEETING (I) (Boston, Mass.)

This meeting was founded circa 1964, ostensibly as a Quaker meeting, though its relations with New England Yearly Meeting seem to have been decidedly unFriendly. They were never listed in the Yearly Meeting minutes, as most independent meetings were. Lyndon Larouche, an independent Presidential candidate, seems to have been a key member. The meeting was active at least through 1979.

Quarterly meetings: Independent, 1964-a.1979
Constituent meetings: None

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WATERBORO MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Alfred, Me.)

Waterboro Monthly Meeting began in 1982; it had been an independent meeting for worship in 1980 under Falmouth Quarterly Meeting.

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Constituent Meetings: None

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WATERTOWN MONTHLY MEETING
See Litchfield Hills Monthly Meeting
WEARE MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (West Henniker, N.H.)

Meetings began in Weare in 1769; Weare Monthly Meeting was set off from Seabrook Monthly Meeting in 1795. Concord Monthly Meeting was set off from Weare in 1967.

Quarterly Meetings: Salem Q.M. 1795-1958
Dover Q.M. 1958-present

Constituent Meetings: Acworth and Unity W.G. 1813-1822
Clinton Grove W.G. b.1897-a.1907
Concord W.G. 1805-1840
P.M. 1953-1967
Henniker P.M. 1797-ca.1940
W.G. 1976-1982
North Weare P.M. 1795-a.1940
Pittsfield W.G. 1976-present
Souhegan W.G. 1979-1986
South Weare P.M. 1795-1893
W.G. 1893-ca.1910
Unity P.M. 1822-1855
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Concord W.G.
Meeting history 1989 3 pages RI 0

Weare Preparative Meeting:
Joint minutes 1880-1940 1 vol. WE 099*
Map of North Weare Friends Cemetery - Undated 1 item WE 099*

WELLESLEY MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Wellesley, Mass.)

Wellesley Monthly Meeting was set off from Cambridge Monthly Meeting in 1958, after meeting for worship since 1944.

Quarterly Meeting: Salem Q.M. 1958-present
Constituent Meetings: Norfolk W.G. 1992-present (at Massachusetts Correctional Institution)

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WEST HARTFORD MONTHLY MEETING (NYP) (West Hartford, Conn.)

A meeting for worship began in West Hartford in 1798, under Oblong Monthly Meeting. West Hartford Monthly Meeting was set off in 1805, and was laid down to Nine Partners Monthly Meeting in 1819.

Quarterly Meetings: Nine Partners Q.M. (NYP) 1805-1819
Constituent Meetings: None

The early records of this meeting are at the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore; they may also be filed under Nine Partners Monthly Meeting.

WESTERLY MONTHLY MEETING (Westerly, R.I.)
See South Kingstown (W) Monthly Meeting

WESTPORT MONTHLY MEETING (Central Village, Mass.)
Was Acoaxet Monthly Meeting before 1803

An Acoaxet meeting for worship began in 1699, before the incorporation of the town of Westport. It was set off from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting as Acoaxet Monthly Meeting in 1766, and gradually became known as Westport Monthly Meeting between 1803 and 1812.

Quarterly Meeting: Rhode Island Q.M. 1766-1788
Sandwich Q.M. 1788-present
Constituent Meetings: Centre W.G. 1766-1789, 1853-1870, 1876-80
P.M. 1789-1853 (became Westport P.M.)
Little Compton (R.I.) W.G. 1777-ca.1882
Tiverton (R.I.) W.G. 1777-1780

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WESTPORT MONTHLY MEETING (W) (Westport, Mass.)

This meeting was formed in the split of 1845, and was laid down in 1850. Its members were joined to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting (W) as Westport Preparative Meeting, which was laid down in 1851.

Quarterly Meetings: Sandwich Q.M. 1845-1850
Constituent Meetings: None

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WILDERNESS MONTHLY MEETING (U) (Wallingford, Vt.)

The origins of this meeting were in independent meetings for worship begun in Shrewsbury, Vt. around 1972. In 1977 it moved to the Farm and Wilderness Camps at Plymouth, Vt., and came under the care of Bennington Monthly Meeting as the Wilderness Meeting. It was set off as Wilderness Monthly Meeting in 1978, and subsequently moved to Ludlow, Rutland, Tinmouth, and most recently Wallingford, Vt.

Quarterly Meeting: Northwest Q.M. 1978-present
Constituent Meetings: None.

No records at N.E.Y. M. Archives.

WILTON MONTHLY MEETING (NYU) (Wilton, Conn.)

Known as Fairfield County Monthly Meeting 1947-1957

Meetings for worship began in nearby Weston in 1938, under Purchase Monthly Meeting. The meeting was set off as Fairfield County Monthly Meeting in 1947. The name was changed to Wilton Monthly Meeting in 1957. Housatonic Monthly Meeting was set off in 1971.

Quarterly Meetings: Purchase Q.M. (NYU) 1947-present
Constituent Meetings: Housatonic Valley P.M. (also Newtown) 1957-1971

Inquire with the New York Yearly Meeting Archives at Swarthmore for records.

WINDHAM MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Windham, Me.)

The Society of Friends first met for worship in Windham, Maine around 1780. A preparative meeting was begun in the town in 1785 under Falmouth Monthly Meeting. In 1803, Windham Monthly Meeting began. Limington Monthly Meeting was set off in 1846.

Quarterly Meeting: Falmouth Q.M. 1803-present
Constituent Meetings: Casco P.M. 1844-1889
W.G. 1903-ca.1945 (independent, 1951-1989)
Gorham W.G. 1803-1815, 1834-1849
P.M. 1815-1834
Limington P.M. 1803-1846
Parsonsfield P.M. b.1825-1833
Raymond W.G. 1810-1815
P.M. 1815-1844 (became Casco P.M.)

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**WINTHROP MONTHLY MEETING (P/G/U) (Winthrop, Me.)**

Was Leeds Monthly Meeting 1813-1841
Was Litchfield Monthly Meeting 1841-1880

A meeting for worship at Leeds, Maine was begun in 1782. This became a preparative meeting under the care of Durham Monthly Meeting in 1811. In 1813, it was set off as Leeds Monthly Meeting. The name of the meeting changed in 1841 to Litchfield Monthly Meeting, and then in 1880 to Winthrop Monthly Meeting.

A meeting for worship had been held in Winthrop under Vassalboro Monthly Meeting, beginning in 1792. This became a preparative meeting in 1802, and was set off the same year to the new Sidney Monthly Meeting. It was transferred to Durham Monthly Meeting as a meeting for worship in 1808, and was set off as part of the new Leeds Monthly Meeting in 1813. It became a preparative meeting again in 1816, and as mentioned Leeds Monthly Meeting evolved into what is now Winthrop Monthly Meeting by 1880.

Winthrop absorbed the defunct Sidney Monthly Meeting in 1932. Pondtown Monthly Meeting was set off from Winthrop in 1983.

**Quarterly Meetings:**

- Falmouth Q.M. 1813
- Vassalboro Q.M. 1813-1841
- Fairfield Q.M. 1841-1952
- Vassalboro Q.M. 1952-present

**Constituent Meetings:**

- Augusta W.G. ca.1889-1895
  P.M. 1895-ca.1920
- Augusta-Hallowell P.M. ca. 1920-ca.1943
- Hallowell W.G. a.1833-1839
  P.M. 1839-1852 (became Kennebec P.M.)
  P.M. 1895-ca.1920
- Kennebec P.M. 1853-1854 (became Manchester P.M.)
Leeds P.M. 1813-1848
W.G. 1848-ca.1873
Lewiston P.M. 1813-1816
Litchfield P.M. 1813-1880 (continued as West Gardiner)
Manchester P.M. 1854-ca.1943
W.G. ca.1943-1961
New Sharon W.G. b.1849-a.1853
Pondtown W.G. 1982
Readfield W.G. 1890-a.1891
West Gardiner P.M. 1880-ca.1943
Wilton W.G. 1813-1815, 1864-1865
P.M. 1815-1864
Winthrop W.G. 1813-1816
P.M. 1816-a.1940

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