Playing in the Light
Godly Play®/Faith & Play™ Training for Quakers
Hybrid: Online + In-person, September/October 2022

This powerful way of being with children can transform your religious education program for children, and nurture your own spiritual life. Learn and practice skills to help children explore the existential limits of their lives through wonder, play, and core stories from the Bible and Quaker faith and practice. Discussions include:

- exploring the spirituality of children
- considering the “unspoken” lessons of the teaching space and classroom structure
- supporting the circle of children and working with multiage groups and diverse needs; using stories in multigenerational settings
- weaving Godly Play/Faith & Play stories into a children’s program with other religious education resources for Friends.

Online: Four Sessions on Zoom
Sundays, 4-5:30pm ET: September 18, October 2 & 16
(Final online session after the in-person weekend)

In-person: October 28-30 at Powell House, Old Chatham, NY
Program on Saturday and Sunday (see next page)

Register on the Powell House website:
https://poho.org/index.php?option=com_civicrm&task=civicrm/event/info&reset=1&id=3677

Sliding scale cost for accommodations and meals, October 28-30:
2 nights (Friday/Saturday) $220–$260–$300
OR Saturday only, $110–$130–$150

Trainer: Melinda Wenner Bradley is a Godly Play US Trainer and the Director of Communications and Training for Faith & Play Stories, Inc. Melinda is co-author and editor of “Faith & Play: Quaker Stories for Friends Trained in the Godly Play Method” (QuakerPress). Since 2010, she has led more than forty core trainings for Quaker meetings and schools, and shared Godly Play and Faith & Play stories in children’s religious education programs, multigenerational worship, school classrooms, teacher workshops, international gatherings of Friends in England, Kenya, and Peru. She currently serves Philadelphia Yearly Meeting on staff as the Director of Programs.
Playing in the Light: Hybrid Core Training Schedule

Please note: “hybrid” means all of these sessions, online AND in person, are the training. It is not a choice of online or in person.

Questions? Reach out to the trainer: melinda@quakerfaithandplay.org

Reading/Reflection
Completed before first online session
Asynchronous reading assignment will be excerpts in the Faith & Play Stories publication and additional PDFs provided by the trainer.

AND

Online Sessions: Sundays, 4-5:30 pm ET
Session 1 September 18
Session 2 October 2
Session 3 October 16

AND

In-person Sessions: hosted at Powell House October 28-30
Saturday, 9:30am-5:00pm
Optional: materials-making Sat. 7-9pm
Sunday, 9am-4pm

Final Session Online: Date TBD, 90 minutes
(after in-person)