

understanding of the pain caused by white privilege. As a result, we talk about this problem frequently. We have also spent time and finances to make our extensive meeting library more representative of the contributions people of color and women have made to Quakerism and the world. Yet, we are eager to find more ways to reach out to people of color.

Over the past decade, the meeting has grown more theologically diverse. While we have certainly retained our appreciation for universal mysticism, we also experience many Friends with Christ-oriented or other influences in their approach to spirituality. This widening of the meeting's spirituality has brought strength and joy to our worship community. Our adult discussion hour each Sunday, "Circle of Friends," includes a smorgasbord of spiritual topics. It is an enriching spiritual experience that brings Friends back each Sunday.

Political diversity also seems to have broadened at MFM over the years. However, this is difficult to assess since we have long had a culture of not bringing politics to our meeting. Friends are careful to maintain this cultural norm by reminding each other when needed.

At MFM, we appreciate slowing down and listening to leadings. "We run with the Spirit not ahead of the Spirit." Our deep desire is that we help each other move forward together in love.