

# Church and Peace



## Peace Church in a world of conflict? Answering the biblical call to nonviolence.

This day of reflection and discussion will look at how we can be true to our vocation as peace churches in a world where we can feel that our message is not being heard and is regarded as impractical.

How can we lead faithful lives when all around us we see violence and conflict? How can we encourage and support one another to link belief and practice, to bring the biblical call to nonviolence from the margins to the centre of the churches, and how can Church and Peace help us in this?

*In the morning session we will hear from:*

*Sue Claydon (Anglican Pacifist Fellowship)*

*Alexandra Elish (Development worker, Anabaptist Network)*

*Clive Fowle (Methodist Minister, Mediator, Coordinator Touch of Hope Peacebuilding programme Croatia, Serbia and Bosnia )*

*The session will be chaired by Marisa Johnson (General Secretary of the Quaker European & Middle East Section of Friends World Committee for Consultation)*

*Workshop/discussion groups will take place in the afternoon.*

**Date: Saturday 28th October, 10.30 - 16.00**

**Venue: Quaker Meeting House, 40 Bull St, Birmingham B4 6AF**

*The event is free of charge. A vegetarian soup and sandwich lunch can be booked at a cost of £7.00.*

### **Registration and further information**

Contact Barbara Forbes - [forbesbarbarae@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:forbesbarbarae@yahoo.co.uk)

To register, please send us your name, contact details and the name of your church/meeting/organisation, as applicable. Individual participants are of course also welcome.

Thanks for letting us know if you'd like to book the lunch, and if you're vegan or have a special diet.

**Please register by 20th October**

*A regional gathering on the way to the Church and Peace international conference 21-24 June 2018 at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire.*

Church and Peace brings together Christian communities, congregations, study centres, peace organisations, and individuals across Europe who are committed to becoming a peace church. Its members seek to live out the Gospel call to nonviolence through shared worship, theological reflection, and practical action for justice, peace and the integrity of creation.