

## **HISTORY OF THE TUESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP 1967 - 2010**

Selections from the presentations and topics discussed over a 43-year period from 1967 to 2010, with notes about the early years.

The list of speakers comprises a catalogue of valued members of Sutton Meeting, together with other remarkable Quakers and non-Quakers.

### **Tuesday groups – the early years\***

#### **1967**

In the summer of 1967 Sutton Elders agreed to start three mid-week discussion groups: Tuesday at the home of Pat and Gordon Steel; Wednesday at the home of Jack and Isabel Boag, and Thursday with Geoffrey and Shirley Thomas. The Thursday Group was largely a Bible-study group. The Wednesday Group tended to concentrate on international affairs, but with a range of other issues also. The Tuesday Group, meeting at 38 Osmond Gardens, Wallington, developed a ‘mixed diet’ of Quakerism, religion, social, literary, poetry, music, interests of individual Friends, and general interest topics.

12 September	Officially the first group meeting but only 2 people came: Ronald Abbott and Kathleen Herbert. Ronald was a very deep-thinking Friend and Kathleen was a very able poet. We had an enjoyable evening and a good discussion.
3 - 24 October	The group met weekly, with 5 – 9 people.
31 October	Communism and Christianity
7 November	Life and writings of Albert Schweitzer (Gordon Steel)
14 – 21 November	Teilhard de Chardin (Ronald Abbott)
19 December	Christmas party, Gerald Morsman played the piano.

#### **1968**

January	Continued to meet weekly, numbers up to around 10. Vivian Vokes was a regular member.
20 February	Revd. Derek Jones, newly installed on the Roundshaw Estate, spoke on his vision for the church.
26 March	Richard Allen on ‘Situation Ethics’; Ann-Mari Finch came.
11 June	An evening on Martin Buber. Kathleen Bulled and Winifred Maddock were there.
18 June	Gerald Morsman on Van Gogh.
1 October	Ronald Abbott on <i>The Secular City</i> .

#### **1975**

Group continued to meet, but with longer gaps than subsequently. Maurice Arnold and Vivian Vokes were regulars.

#### **1976**

Evenings on John Woolman’s Journal and Wm. Penn’s *No Cross No Crown*.  
24 February – nobody turned up, so we played scrabble with the children.

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\* These notes are based on diary records made at the time by Patricia Steel.  
She only recorded a few individual meetings.

There are no records for 1969 – 1974, but the group continued to meet at 38 Osmond Gardens. In the autumn of 1974 Pat and Gordon and their family moved to 2 Hill Road, Carshalton, and after a short break the group restarted.

# TUESDAY GROUP HIGHLIGHTS 1977-2010

## 1977

St. Luke's Gospel (6 evenings)  
Compulsory Medicine  
Apple & Pear Production  
Bonsai Trees  
Work of the Probation Service  
Which is the first of the commandments?

Arthur White  
Ruth Stone  
Anthony Skelton  
Norman Dixon  
Hilary Coleman  
Margaret Arnold

## 1978

*Rethinking Quakerism*  
Do You Get the Message?  
Reflections of a BBC writer/Producer  
Sharing Concerns  
Housing & the Environment  
Cancer Research  
A Quaker in Banking  
Spreading Quakerism  
Quaker Attitudes to Violence  
Quaker Attitudes to Everyday Living  
Campaign Against the Arms Trade  
Singapore

Jenny Steel  
Bill Everingham  
Kenneth Lawton  
Michael Firth  
Gordon Steel  
Gerald Moss  
Kurt Strauss  
Charles Davies  
Marian Noble  
Gordon Steel  
Jill & Mary Shepperd

## 1979

Great Quakers:  
George Fox & James Nayler  
John Woolman  
William Penn  
John Bellers  
Thomas Shillito  
Elizabeth Fry  
Rufus Jones  
The Parables  
Sermon on the Mount  
*Six Quakers Look at Crime & Punishment*  
*The Debate About Christ*  
The Family

Gordon & Ken Aldous  
Winnifred Maddock  
Sandra & Geoff Wenden  
Maurice Arnold  
Ann Strauss  
Pat Steel  
Frank Stevens  
Gerald Moss  
Gerald Moss  
Ken Aldous  
Gordon Steel  
Trudy Barrow

## 1980

*Good Work* (by Schumacher)  
Basic Quakerism  
A Quaker Statement on Life-style  
Towards Community  
*Jesus & the Gospel of God*  
The Authentic Voice of Jesus  
British Butterflies  
*Surprised by Joy*

Jack Richards  
Frank Stevens  
Gerald Moss  
Gerald Moss  
Mike Tucker  
Maurice Arnold

## 1981

Life & Thought of Gandhi  
Life in Uganda  
The Brandt Report  
Quaker Believing (6 evenings)  
The Police  
Christian Healing  
Unemployment  
Children in Meeting  
What is this peace we are working for?

Michael Firth  
George Mephram  
Iain Simpson  
Keith Stockbridge  
Maggie Goodrich  
Frances Hill

## 1982

Quaker Values for our Children  
The Need to Listen  
Pelagius & the Moral Majority  
Quaker Attitudes to Theology  
Policing  
The Samaritans  
St. John's Gospel  
Local History  
Dept. Environment Local Enquiries  
'We are all cripples in the sight of God'  
The Changing Character of Human Friendship  
Stress in Marriage  
How Poor is Poor?  
*Tao & Physics* (book)

Ann & Kurt Strauss  
Elizabeth Heap  
John Barnes  
Ted Randall  
Maurice Arnold  
Len Lamerton  
Chris Cook  
Clive Orton  
Dennis Komlosy  
Ron Abbott  
  
Lesley Webster  
Muriel Jukes  
Ken Aldous

## 1983

Apartheid  
Christian Spiritualism  
*Seeking the Power that Transforms*  
Concepts of Health & Illness  
*Towards a Quaker View of Russia*  
Teaching R.E. in Schools  
Unknown Sayings of Jesus  
Poetry (various occasions)  
So you think you know Christianity?  
Minority Rights in Diego Garcia  
Travels to the U.S.A.  
Minority Rights: Australian Aborigines  
Hosea

Claire Gooding  
Carol & Brian James

Radiance Vincent

Sue Day  
Gerald Moss  
Brenda Heales  
Sue Day  
Helen Drewery  
Tony & Marion Meaker  
Betty Morris  
Sue Day

## 1984

How do we handle unacceptable behaviour in the home?  
Land Tax reform  
Christian Aid  
James Nayler  
The New Age  
Some Difficult Sayings of Jesus  
Contemporary Music Meanings  
Armaments  
Broadcasting  
Religious Minorities in the USSR  
Visit to Israel  
'*The Four Seasons*'  
Amos  
Jesus the Servant  
A View of British Prisons  
The Nature of Growth  
From Evangelical Mission to Quaker Meeting  
'Kiek's Kack-handed War'  
Ezekiel  
The Lima Text (3 evenings)  
Drama

Tony Moore  
Bernarr Atherton  
Peter Morgan  
Dennis Tomlin  
Gerald Moss  
Jenny Steel  
John Nicholson  
John Drewery  
Betty Morris  
Kurt Strauss  
John & Helen Drewery  
Sue Day  
Pat Nayler  
Revd. David Evans  
Phyllis Preston  
John Brown  
Ian Kiek  
Margaret Arnold

Will Harris

## 1985

How far can we go with Cupitt?  
Tadworth Overseas Aid Trust  
Religion and Ethics  
Problems with the 12th Query,  
    or What the Canon said to his Granddaughter  
A First Look at the Inside of QSRE  
Atonement  
Late 19th Century Quakerism to the Present Day  
The Two Gardens

Gordon Steel  
Don Chessell  
Kenneth Lawton

Margaret Vokes  
Helen Drewery  
Kenneth Lawton  
Peter Morgan  
Brenda Heales

Quaker Service in the USA  
Letter of James  
Irish & English Quakers  
Creative Writing  
How would we revise the Advices & Queries?  
The Great Peace Journey  
British Wild Flowers  
The Seven Deadly Sins  
Are Scientific Ideas useful?  
The Concept of Service  
Young People in the Society of Friends  
Prayer  
The Splendour & Terror of Nature  
Reflections on Kenya  
The International Movement Against Nuclear Weapons  
The Charismatic Movement

## 1986

Solvents & Drug Abuse  
Ecclesiastes  
The Desert and the Market Place  
The Study of Human Populations  
Nuclear Power after Chernobyl  
Wordsworth & Hardy  
David, King of the Old Testament  
The Relevance of Women's Groups  
The World Development Movement  
Problems of a Local Health Visitor  
Reaching for the Quaker Common Ground  
Lambeth Community Relations Council  
Voluntary Service in Sutton  
Buddhism  
A Holistic Approach to Medicine  
Are Quakerism & Public Service Incompatible?  
Quaker Experience in Education  
Lovely Music, but how about the Theology?

## 1987

Water for the Deserts  
Paul Oestreicher: *Adventurous Disciple*  
A Passion for the Psalms  
What and How do we Seek?  
T.S. Eliot  
Questions on the Environment  
Islam  
Social first Aid  
Judaism  
Visit to Israel  
Poverty Amidst Wealth  
Faith, Hope & Love (3 evenings)  
Butterflies  
Electoral Reform  
Offenders & the Offended  
Living our Vision  
Sufism  
Friends & the Christian Church  
Towards a New Quaker View of Punishment  
The Quality of Life  
Addiction  
Israel's Changing Face  
Friends in Europe  
Ruth  
The Success of Missionary Mart

John Noble  
Gerald Moss  
Gay McDonnagh  
Brenda & Helen

Eileen Pollack  
John Peacock

Gordon Steel  
Euan Hill  
Jenny Steel

Betty Morris  
Kenneth Lawton  
Jack Boag  
John Brown

Kenneth Lawton  
Gerald Moss  
Euan Hill  
Judith Bliss  
Jack Boag  
Brenda Heales  
Sue Day  
Francoise Tomlin  
May Baker  
Sheila Holdsworth  
Euan Hill  
Maurice Arnold  
Sue Godfrey  
Desmond Peach  
Tim Morris  
Roger Mattingley  
Peter Morgan  
Gordon Steel

Dennis Tomlin  
Arthur White  
Gerald Moss  
Phyllis Preson  
Brenda Heales  
Betty Morris  
Euan Hill  
John Brown  
Cedric Briscoe  
Betty Morris  
Frank Stevens  
Gerald Moss  
Mike Tucker  
Peter Morley  
Clifford Williams  
Rosemary Peach  
Euan Hill

Phyllis Preston  
Peter Morgan  
Kenneth Lawton  
Kurt Strauss  
Gerald Moss  
Brian Chapman

## 1988

Visit to China  
Music in the Society of Friends  
Detheologising Jesus  
Recent Developments in Don Cupitt  
Writing  
*'Where Words Come From'*  
The Resurrection Experience  
Truth, Light & Friends  
Getting Along Together  
The Brandenburg Concertos  
Creating the Yearly Meeting  
All shall be Well: Hope  
Christians in China  
Play Reading  
The Welfare of Animals

Ken Aldouns  
Thomas Taylor  
Kenneth Lawton  
Gordon Steel  
Sally Festing  
Helen Dukes  
Gerald Moss  
Gordon Steel  
Elizabeth Heap  
Thomas Taylor  
Lesley Webster  
John Brown  
Roy Aylott  
Joan & Kenneth Lawton  
John Harris

## 1989

On loving or liking ourselves  
Glimpses of spiritual essence  
What happens to the young disabled?  
Community health in China  
Does the numinous exist?  
People, trees, and penguins  
What do we believe about sin?  
Holding a mirror up to the Society of Friends  
What's in a game?  
Statement on poverty  
Reviewing for the Friend  
Poetry: conceits & contemplation  
Individual liberties and GB Ltd.  
Living adventurously  
What do you do in Meeting?  
Creeds and the search for unity  
A necessity of mountains  
A Quaker biography: Peter Barns  
The arts and the Quakers  
Emilia Fogelclou  
Experience of healing  
The magic of Findhorn

Elizabeth Heap  
Thomas Taylor  
Kenneth Aldouns  
Christopher Wren  
Richard Allen  
Betty Morris  
Gerald Moss  
Frank Stevens  
David Parlett  
Helen Drewery  
Arthur White  
Margaret Vokes  
David Jarman  
Brenda Heales & Chris Cook  
Pat Steel  
Sue Day  
Jill Shepherd  
Arthur White  
Ernest Roiser  
Malin Andrews  
Helen Dukes  
Rose John

## 1990

Feminist theology  
The principle of sharing  
A Quaker biography: Susan Hill  
*'Speaking to our Condition'*  
The nature of spiritual experience  
Justice, peace, and the integrity of creation  
Yesterday was Brahm's birthday  
Religious archeology  
Presenting the BBC weather forecast  
Wittgenstein and the meaning of words  
Holy Land or holy mess?  
A Quaker biography: John Harris  
The gateway of England  
The quantum self  
A Beethoven string quartet  
Islam  
Spiritual healing: a way of life  
Used, abused, and rejected: the story of Hagar  
Quaker performance of the peace testimony prior to 1914

Gerald Moss  
Noel Glynn  
Helen Drewery  
Frank Stevens  
Phyllis Preston  
Dennis Tomlin  
Thomas Taylor  
Peter Morgan  
Nigel Gait  
Euan Hill  
Kurt Strauss  
Arthur White  
Adrian Falks  
Phyllis Preston  
Thomas Taylor  
Ray Rahman  
Jim Pym  
Gerald Moss  
Peter Morgan

## 1991

### *Straight and Crooked Thinking*

Israel today  
The Koran  
Quaker peace testimony and poetry (1900-1930)  
The Gulf camp  
Gentlemen at Arms  
The Gnostics  
Two notes (Brahms and Bartok)  
From Cold War to hot peace  
Spiritual aspects of living  
Quaker humour  
Music of Handel  
Great characters of Sutton Meeting  
Our Ossie German Friends  
Presenting the Gospel today  
Campaign against the arms trade  
Enjoyment in the abstract  
Poetry: your life and mine  
Towards a sustainable Sutton  
Chinese music  
Cambodian refugees  
The place of Jesus in Quakerism

Gordon Steel  
Tim Harris & Kate Lock  
Euan Hill  
Peter Morgan & Helen Drewery  
Richard Crump  
Adrian Falks  
Gerald Moss  
Thomas Taylor  
Joe Valk  
Gordon Steel  
Peter Morgan  
Thomas Taylor  
Gordon Steel  
Kurt Strauss  
Rev. Chris Woodhead  
Vernon White  
Robert Aldous  
John Brown  
Vera Elliott  
Kenneth Aldous  
Joy & George Miles  
Marjorie Ball

## 1992

Belief: Who needs it today ?  
*Witness to Truth*  
Schumann's Dichterliebe  
Fear and love  
An English county (with slides)  
?  
Job and his Comforters  
The 1992 Swarthmore Lecture (by the lecturers)  
What is the centre of our Quaker faith  
How far can religious education be religious ?  
Quaker work and Quaker workers  
Evangelical attitudes to Jesus  
A Quaker biography: Nancy Taylor  
Jesus and A N Wilson  
Quakers and race  
African traditional music  
Revision of Quaker Faith and Practice  
Awareness and response to mental pain

Gordon Steel  
Ken Aldous  
Thomas Taylor  
John Brown  
Adrian Falks  
Joe Valk  
Frank Stevens  
Chris Cook & Brenda Heales  
Thomas Taylor  
Ben Pink Dandelion  
Kurt Strauss  
John Drewery  
Helen Drewery  
Margaret Vokes  
Ann Strauss  
Carole Lewis  
Arthur White  
John Brown

## 1993

Peace: compromise and principles  
Spiritual effects of sudden disability  
Patience  
Clergymen in literature  
'Thar' she blows' (*Moby Dick*)  
The paintings of Turner  
The history of Carew Manor  
Exploring Christian belief  
Reformed Judaism  
*In Right Ordering*  
The challenge of cancer  
Quaker Testimonies then and now  
The British Red Cross  
Wilfred Owen (his centenary)  
From banking to lay ministry  
The current crisis in morality - anything new ?  
A personal approach to universalism  
Exploring the senses: light  
Significant possessions

Ken Aldous  
Maurice Green  
Olwen Forsyth  
Douglas Day  
Thomas Taylor  
Lesley Webster  
Christopher Wren  
Gordon Steel  
Alan Tyler  
Arthur White  
Gordon Steel  
Helen Drewery  
Nick Young  
Elizabeth Heap  
Monica Brown  
Peter Morgan  
John Nicholson  
Caroline Jones  
Frank Stevens

The nature of worship  
Opening paragraphs of novels  
The songs of Sydney Carter  
Play reading  
Spirituality and the spiritual  
The early novels of Iris Murdoch  
Creation spirituality  
From Jewish prophet to Gentile God  
Kingston Friends' action on violence  
Musical openings

Tom/Frank/Nora/Helen  
Sue Day  
Gordon Steel  
Nancy Taylor  
Gordon Steel  
Gillian Turner  
Ken Aldous  
Gerald Moss  
John Verge  
Thomas Taylor

## 1994

Three devout sceptics (Miller, Lovelock, Cleese)  
Problems of sharing  
Citizens' action in Brazil  
Biodiversity: here today and gone tomorrow?  
George Fox: *Our Living Contemporary*  
Sutton Pastoral Foundation  
Talking with Meetings  
On world population  
*God in Us*  
Chagal - an appreciation  
Why Christians should take European elections seriously  
A tale of two missions  
On being publishers of truth  
What others have written about Quakers  
The ideas of John MacMurray  
Claudio the Magnificent  
The social impact of modern genetics  
Music that means a lot to me  
The future shape of *The Friend*  
Why Prokofiev?  
People and principles  
The symbols we use: the joy of calligraphy  
Mature Christianity  
Renewing an acquaintance  
George Steiner: after the Word  
On being an Attender  
What do we know about our wardens?  
Dreams and visions

Gordon Steel  
Kurt Strauss  
Euan Hill  
Dennis Tomlin  
Beatrice Heales  
Peter Hudson  
Friends' House Team  
Nancy Taylor  
Rev. Anthony Freeman  
Lesley Webster  
Gill Rolls  
Gerald Moss  
Thomas Taylor  
Helen Drewery  
Dennis Tomlin  
Adrian Faulks  
Trevor McMillan  
Jane Phillips  
Fiona Burt  
Thomas Taylor  
Frank Stevens  
Gordon Steel  
Gerald Moss  
Rev. Paul Priest  
John Brown  
Coral Elmvang  
Kurt Strauss  
Peta White

## 1995

The poetry of Thomas Hardy  
What did Jesus really say?  
Common aspects of Buddhism and Christianity  
Is competition a good thing?  
Quakers in the Caribbean  
The poetry of Robert Burns  
Recent developments in social policy in the USA  
Living adventurously  
The way back to Bach  
Margaret Fell and the rise of Quakerism  
The life and works of Charles Dickens  
Poets and the weather  
A Quaker couple in Nazi Germany  
The creativity of conflict  
Jesus in contemporary scholarship  
Opportunities for voluntary service in Sutton  
Humanism  
Three American women ministers

Margaret Vokes  
Gerald Moss  
Stan Lee  
Adrian Walker-Smith  
Thomas Taylor  
John Brown  
George Mink  
Kurt Strauss  
Thomas Taylor  
Margaret Vokes  
Thomas/Sue/Douglas  
Helen Drewery  
Frank Stevens  
Nancy Taylor  
Gerald Moss  
Barbara Hearn  
Peter Heales  
Margaret Vokes

## 1996

Mozart and wind instruments  
*Telling our stories* (Alison Leonard)  
Friends and the Irish potato famine  
When should we minister?  
Story as medicine  
The social background to Jesus' teaching  
Spiritual experience in lives I have known  
The beef scare: from the horse's mouth  
Issues around child protection  
Violence in the economy  
The history of women's Meetings  
The Greeks and their Gods  
How do we deal with change ?  
Civilization  
Friends and the healing ministry  
Quaker identity  
Rediscovering Jesus  
William Morris  
Alternatives to violence

Thomas Taylor  
Jennie Fairweather  
Elizabeth Heap  
Stan Lee  
Cathy Nagler  
Gerald Moss  
John Brown  
John Harris  
David Elliman  
Stan Lee/ Ken Aldous  
Ann Janes  
Len Lamerton  
Jack Boag  
Chris Wren  
Pat Piqué  
Robin Bennett  
Catherine Spencer  
John Brown  
Kate Hinds

## 1997

The Quaker concept of simplicity  
The management of invested capital  
Towards a society in which people are valued  
*Answering the love of God - living our testimonies*  
The earth, the feminine, & the divine  
*Coracle*: insights from the Iona Community  
The shared spirituality of caring  
A fresh look at Quaker business meetings  
The times and religion of the Celts  
Servant leadership  
Human fertility and research on embryos  
Gustav Mahler - his music  
Quakers in 17th century England  
*Barclay's Apology*  
The healing art of aromatherapy

Gordon Steel  
Gerald Moss  
Nancy Taylor  
Thomas Taylor  
Ann Janes  
Margaret Vokes  
John Nurse  
Gordon Steel  
Helen, Pam & Peter  
John Noble  
Beatrice Heales  
Thomas Taylor  
Margaret Vokes  
David Parlett  
Jennie Fairweather

## 1998

Things that delight us  
A career in artificial bones and joints  
The life and writings of Karen Armstrong  
Central work and corporate witness  
Poetry: 'Ted Hughes, a poet in the news'  
The life and writings of Rufus Jones  
*Myth* (by Joseph Campbell etc.)  
Walking for love  
Global Action Plan and Local Agenda 21  
Methodism  
Hot-foot back from a first visit to QCEA  
Gilbert, Sullivan, and Pooh  
Drugs and Crime  
The poetry of WB Yeats  
Testimonies to the Grace of God

Tom and Nancy Taylor  
Alan Swanson  
Gordon Steel  
Kurt Strauss  
Helen Drewery  
Nora Tedder  
John Brown  
Anthony Gimpel  
Les Kemp  
Alan Swanson  
Peter Barns  
Gordon Steel  
Chas. Bailey  
Stan Lee  
Frank Stevens

## 1999

A young person's view of membership  
A proliferation of poetry  
Quakers and the ecumenical movement  
Quakers and the Nazis  
Food-borne illnesses  
Residential care of elderly people  
The work of a CAB adviser

Anna Page  
Meg Howard  
Ethel Livermore  
Peter Barns  
John Harris  
John Nurse  
Barbara Cairns

The schism in US Quakerism: lessons for BYM  
*To live until we say goodbye*  
The Christian Poetry Collection  
Power and the state  
Channel 4 programme on Quakerism  
Can we know the Will of God?  
Poetry set to music  
*A Certain Kind of Perfection*  
Two Carolines: Fox and Stevens  
Passion and Resurrection stories  
Genetic modification: an assessment  
The flute  
Man's quest for meaning

Gordon Steel  
Ashok Jashapara  
Nora Tedder  
Allison Sanderson  
Joyce Trotman  
Gerald Moss  
Helen & John Drewery  
Ann Janes  
Margaret Vokes  
Gerald Moss  
Gordon Steel  
John Harris  
Stan Lee

## 2000

*Faithing the Future*  
*Godless Morality* (book by Richard Holloway)  
The Ethics of Primitive Christianity  
Emilia Fogelklou: An inspiring Swedish Quaker  
A Quick Look at a Dozen Countries  
The Lawyer's Tale  
Celtic Spirituality  
Rembrandt  
The Spiritual in Poetry:  
*R S Thomas*  
*The Tempest*  
Charles Wesley  
Four Twentieth-Century Quakers:  
A Great Time at JYM  
The Jesus Seminar  
Quakers and the Internet  
The Spiritual Teachings of Marcus Aurelius  
Religious thought of WB Yeats  
Faith in Action (Quaker Social Testimony)  
*Beyond Majority Rule* (book by MJ Sheeran)  
Poetry Evening  
Quaker Faith, Witness, & Work, Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow  
Current Events  
An evening of storytelling  
Free to believe: what it means to be a Liberal Christian  
Snapshots in Words  
Searching our own hearts, racism (QSRE video)  
Mediation  
Hindus and Quakers: looking for the light rather than the lampshade  
Van Gogh

Ann Janes  
Gordon Steel  
Gerald Moss  
Malin Andrews  
Alan Swanson  
Lorna Harris  
John Brown  
Peter Barns  
  
Helen Drewery  
Lesley Webster  
Alan Swanson  
Chris Lawson  
Anna, Kirsty & Natasha  
Gerald Moss & Ken Aldous  
Jenny and Gordon Steel  
Gordon Steel  
Stan Lee  
Margaret Vokes  
Gordon Steel  
Helen Drewery  
Kurt Strauss  
Thomas & Nancy Taylor  
Sue Day, Olwen Forsyth, Alan Swanson, Dave Usher  
Rev. Martin Camroux  
Cecily Taylor, John Brown, Jill Shepherd  
  
Rosemary Cryle  
Ashok Jashapara  
Peter Barns

## 2001

*Belief*: Radio3 interviews by Joan Bakewell  
The Post Office Railway  
Friends in France  
Talking about Death (Lionel Blue video)  
Lace  
Trends in Christian Thought  
Games  
My Kind of Music  
London in Literature  
*The Book of Genesis* (commentary by Karen Armstrong)  
Quaker Briefing on the General Election  
The Foot & Mouth Epidemic  
Where we have come from? (based on *The Middle Classes* TV series)  
Poetry: Stages of Life  
What is (historical) truth?  
Wardenship in a Wider Context  
Talking about Cancer

Paul Piqué  
Françoise and Dennis Tomlin  
Sharing evening  
Thelma Cranford  
Gordon Steel  
David Parlett  
Pat Piqué  
Douglas Day  
  
Elizabeth Heap  
John Harris  
  
Patricia Steel  
Peter Morgan  
Elizabeth Page  
Gordon Steel

Political Cartoons  
The Search for Our Roots  
'Christianity is almost vanquished' (Cardinal Murphy-O'Connor)  
'A Brush with the Law'  
Quakers in Kenya  
*The Challenge of Ecumenism for Friends*  
*The Quality and Depth of Worship*  
An Evening of English Music  
Islam  
What do we understand by the Kingdom of God ?  
The Life and Works of George Eliot  
*Wrestling with the Angel* Tony Stoller (Swarthmore Lecture)  
India

Lesley Webster  
Betty Morris  
Rob Clark  
Joseph Andugu & Reuben Shibusse  
Alan Swanson  
Elizabeth Heap  
Lal Hussain  
John Brown  
Sue Day  
Ashok Jashapara

## 2002

Our concept of God  
The life and poetry of John Betjeman  
My kind of music  
Legislation against the defamation of religion  
Music in Film  
An evening of Storytelling  
The Changing Status of Women 1900-2000  
Travels in the Middle East  
Caring for body and soul  
Fruits of the Spirit (Bible study)  
Words of Comfort from Oratorios  
Shakespeare's Sonnets  
*Playing in the Presence* (2002 Swarthmore Lecture)  
Alcoholics I have met  
Contemplating the deepest things of life, through poetry  
The role of fantasy in film and literature  
*The Assassin's Cloak: Diaries of famous people*  
An Evening with Thomas and Nancy Taylor  
A Celebration of Water  
Yeats' Tin Can (The Friend)  
Prose and poetry on the joys of old age  
The Essence of Quakerism: Worship, Business, Action  
Healing as an essential part of Quakerism  
*Why Bother with Theology?* (Alex Wright)  
Bible: Beatitudes on Bonfire Night  
From the Rostrum  
Community Involvement in the UK  
*Little Gidding* (T S Eliot)  
Simone Weil

Gerald Moss & Ashok Jashapara  
Pat & Gordon Steel  
Alan Swanson  
Lesley Webster  
David Parlett  
Peter, Vanessa, Thelma, Coral  
Ann Janes  
Anne Davies  
Sara Kettle  
Gerald Moss  
Gordon Steel  
Lesley Webster  
Gordon Steel  
Bernard Crier  
Helen Drewery  
Jenny Steel  
Patricia Steel  
Sue Wilson

Pat Piqué  
Graham Ellis  
Gerald Moss  
Robin Page  
Alan Swanson  
Lesley Webster  
John Brown

## 2003

Bush Spirit: Exploring the ancient landscape of NW Australia  
Finding the Words (John Lampen, in *The Friend*)  
*Real Like the Daisies or Real Like I Love You* (David Boulton)  
The New Archbishop, and his Dimbleby lecture  
*Updating the Word of God* (Eugene Paterson)  
The Game of Life  
The Bach Choir, and its Repertoire  
An Evening of Storytelling  
My kind of music  
Books we have read  
Some People and Impressions of SE Asia  
Documents in Advance for Yearly Meeting  
Interfaith Pilgrimage by Eleanor Nesbitt (2003 Swarthmore Lecture)  
Cyprus – Island at a Crossroads  
Was Jesus a Pharisee ?  
My kind of music  
*Learning to Dance* (more extracts from Michael Mayne's book)  
America, in one evening

Jane Andrews  
Gordon Steel  
Gerald Moss  
David Parlett  
John Drewery  
Sue Day, and others  
Paul Piqué  
Graham Ellis, and others  
John Nicholson  
Margaret Deyes  
Gerald Moss  
Lesley Webster  
Graham Ellis  
Kirsty Noble

The Ancient Minoans	Pat Piqué
<i>Resurrection</i> by Rowan Williams	Alan Swanson
Taking stock: of ourselves, Society of Friends, the UK, and the world	Kurt Strauss
Qualities of the Human Spirit (two evenings)	Gordon Steel
The Coastal History of NE England	Anne Wren
What Jesus Means to Me (Friends Quarterly, July 2003)	Alan Swanson
Membership: Time to Change?	Kurt Strauss
A Christian Chaplain's Perspective on Prison	Rosie Idle
<i>Learning to Dance</i> (Meyn book, The Autumn)	Graham Ellis
Transition into Quakerism from other denominations or faiths	Gordon Steel
Famous Diaries	Douglas Day
<i>The Trouble With God</i> (David Boulton book)	Gordon Steel
An Evening of Storytelling	
<b>2004</b>	
Thoughts at the turn of the year: what Father Christmas brought	Sharing evening
Three evenings on the basics of Quakerism:	
Faith	Gerald Moss
Practice	Anne Wren
Nuts and bolts	Gordon Steel
Ernest Raymond: a Catholic Quaker	Douglas Day
Friends' World Committee and its Triennial Conference	Graham Ellis
Journalism, and the History of Sutton & Cheam	Sara Goodwins & George Hobbs
The Business of Acting	Nicholas Smith
Poetry	Helen Drewery
Why I love Bach	Gordon Steel
What the Metropolitan Police have been up to recently	Chas Bailey
<i>Jesus against Christianity</i>	Gerald Moss
Quaker Faith and Practice: Chapter 25 Unity of Creation	Sharing evening
An Evening in Ancient Athens	Stephen Cox
Insights from the writings of Karen Armstrong	Gordon Steel
My Favourite Music	Vanessa Browne
Documents in Advance for Yearly Meeting	Gordon Steel
What is Poverty?	Margaret Deyes
<i>Spirited Living: Waging Conflict, Building Peace</i> by Simon Fisher	Graham Ellis
Who was Emilia Fogelklou?	Malin Andrews
There is more to it than Jerusalem ! (the WI)	Thelma Cranford
Poems about animals	Jill Sheppard
Readings in Basic Quakerism (three evenings)	Gordon Steel
Coming Home to Quakerism	Blanche Clancey
Haydn's String Quartets	Elizabeth Heap
Cuba: A Brief Encounter	Marian Noble
The Baha'i Faith	Carol Contant
The Subtle Wit of Alison Lury	Lesley Webster
Congénies, and the Origins of French Quakerism	Paul Piqué
The Life and Work of Florence Nightingale	Sue Day
New interest in The Friend	Gordon Steel
Christian Aid in Nigeria	John Chettleborough
<b>2005</b>	
The Theology of St. Paul	Gerald Moss
Ethical dilemmas	Gordon Steel
Children's Literature for Oldies	Sharing evening
The Life and Writings of Jane Austen	Patricia Steel
Poetry: Living in a Dangerous World	Helen Drewery
The Impact of Cars on People	Jack Hamilton
Faith & Practice of Friends Worldwide	Tom & Nancy Taylor
<i>Evaluation of Human Consciousness</i> (book by Frank Parkinson)	Ken Aldous
<i>Why Life Speeds up as you get Older</i> (book by Douwe Draaisma)	Alan Swanson
Time and Remembrance (poetry evening)	Helen Drewery
Talking about Prayer: Prayers to be Read Aloud	Gordon Steel
Chapters into Verse (Poetry inspired by the Bible)	Malin Andrews
Idylls, Illusions & Incursions - Experiences in Palestine	Pat Price-Tomes
What would you like read at your funeral	Gordon Steel

<i>A Church at War</i> (book by Stephen Bates)	Lesley Webster
<i>No Extraordinary Power</i> (2005 Swarthmore lecture)	
The History of Quakerism in Two Evenings	Gordon Steel
Reflections on a Year in Beirut	Gillian Turner
The Life and Work of Henry Williamson	Will Harris
Children's Understanding of Sibling Relationships	Alan Swanson
What have we learned from life? (Life's Great Lessons)	Gordon Steel
The Origins of Christian Doctrine	Gerald Moss
My adventurous life in music from Br. Guiana to the wilds of Europe	Carol Contant
The Poetry of Stevie Smith	Helen Drewery
James Nayler	George Davies
<i>Twenty Questions about Jesus</i> (by John Lampen)	Graham Ellis
<i>The Boundaries Game</i> (from Quaker Life)	

## 2006

<i>A Short History of Myth</i> (by Karen Armstrong)	Gordon Steel
Approaches to God – Worship & Prayer (Chapter 2 of QFP)	
Mozart: it's his 250 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Patricia Steel
A marvellous time in Madagascar	John Harris
Reflections on the Bible by well-known people	Alan Swanson
<i>Origins of English Idioms</i> (by Michael Quinion)	Stephen Cox
Current Issues in Policing	Chas Bailey
<i>The Essential Jesus</i>	Gerald Moss
A Strauss Evening : 'Changing Communities'	Kurt & Ann Strauss
Play Reading: <i>The Sugar Wife</i>	Malin Andrews
Don Cupitt Spoke in Sutton Friends Meeting House	Gordon Steel
Impressions of The Koran	Alan Swanson
<i>Bury the Chains</i> (by Adam Hochschild)	Lesley Webster
Joyce Grenfell	Thelma Cranford
Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre: How it changed my life	Helen Drewery
Belief: The Joan Bakewell Interviews	Gordon Steel
Quaker Summer School in Geneva	Anna Page
Happiness: our experience of it ; how to promote it?	
The BYM Game	Helen Drewery
The Unexpected Side of Concert Tour Management	Liz Page
Quakers Worldwide – Similar Testimonies but Different Witness	Jeanne Pomeroy
English Medieval Mystery Plays	Roger Haworth
<i>Pascal's Fire: Scientific Faith and Understanding</i> (by Keith Ward)	Ken Aldous
The Gospel of Mary	Gerald Moss
<i>The Infinite Way</i> (by Joel Goldsmith)	Steve Cox
<i>Making Sense of Generation Y</i>	Alan Swanson

## 2007

In Jerusalem with the Non-violent Peaceforce	Susanne Ratcliffe Wilson
An Appreciation of China	David Jarman
<i>Mother Tongue</i> (book by Bill Bryson)	Gordon Steel
Chapters into Verse	Helen Drewery
Judas Iscariot: Betrayer or Friend ?	Gerald Moss
An Evening of British Songs	
<i>The God Delusion</i> (book by Richard Dawkins)	Douglas Day
<i>God: A Guide for the Perplexed</i> (book by Keith Ward)	Alan Swanson
<i>Patterns and Examples</i> (by Peter Jarman & Eva Turner)	Stephen Cox
<i>Inner Journey, Outer Journey</i> (by James Roose-Evans)	Enid Boxall
Friends and the Christian Church (Chap 27 of QFP)	
Women Going Home from Prison	Rosie Deedes
<i>The Great Transformation</i> (book by Karen Armstrong)	Gordon Steel
<i>Ground and Spring: Foundations of Quaker Discipleship</i> – 2007 Swarthmore Lecture by Beth Allen	Graham Ellis
The Life of Booker T. Washington: 'Up from Slavery'	Carol Contant
Swarthmore Lecture: follow-up evening	
Hans Kung, a Roman Catholic Radical	Alan Swanson
News of Friends Worldwide (FWCC Triennial)	Graham Ellis
My Favourite Music	Leslie Bell
William Blake: his ideas and his art	Gareth Sturdy

## 2008

Gifts and Giving (based on book by Lewis Hyde)	Gordon Steel
Engaging with the Quaker Testimonies:	
<i>Let Your Lives Speak</i> (book by Jan Arriens)	Pat Piqué
<i>From the Bottom of the Pond</i> (book by Simon Small)	Carol Contant
Climate Change – Ways Forward	Maha Soundranayagam
<i>The Resurrection</i> (book by Geza Vermes)	Gerald Moss
<i>A New Christianity for a New World</i> (book by John Spong)	Alan Swanson
Adhyatma Yoga and 3 songs of Simon and Garfunkel	Stephen Cox
<i>In Praise of the Secular</i> (book by Lloyd Geering)	Gordon Steel
A Celebration of British Birds	Patricia Steel
<i>Quaker Stewardship</i> (2008 Swarthmore Lecture)	
The Life and Thought of John Woolman	Gordon Steel
Chapters into Verse	Helen Drewery
Green Issues	Gay McDonnagh
A Stroll Across the Heavens	Gareth Sturdy
Musical Memories	Patricia Steel
<i>The Bible</i> (book by Karen Armstrong)	Alan Swanson
Origins of the Earth as we know it (a bit of science)	Gordon Steel
Darwin, Evolution, and Creationism (a bit more science)	Gordon Steel
Suffering – viewed through readings in poetry and literature	Douglas Day
A Memorable Visit to Hong Kong	Stan Lee
Music in My Life	Enid Boxall
The Development of Cultures – a Comparison	Louise Murch
Not Forgotten: The Men Who Would not Fight	

## 2009

Gerard Winstanley and the Quakers	Gordon Steel
Patient-centred Care and Respecting that of God in Everyone	Eva Kalmus
<i>The Gospel of Jesus</i> (book by James Robinson)	Gerald Moss
Gleanings from The Church Times	Alan Swanson
Gleanings from The Friend	Gordon Steel
The Life and Writings of Thomas Paine	Graham Ellis
Poems that have Influenced Me	Stan Lee
An Evening based on Non-Quaker Spiritual Writings	Gordon Steel
Friends in the City (Quakers in 17 <sup>th</sup> and early 18 <sup>th</sup> Century London)	Simon Dixon
The Life and Writings of Thomas Hardy	Patricia Steel
Unpicking Stalin's Laws	Rob Clark
Musical Memories	Tessa Lockyer
Serendipity, Good Luck, and Ill-fortune	
<i>The Case for God</i> (book and tape by Karen Armstrong)	Gordon Steel
Why I went to Africa, what I learnt there, and how it changed me	Margaret Onians
A Zero Growth Economy? What would it mean for us all?"	Fay Mealor
Mahatma Gandhi – his successes and failures	Gordon Steel
The Life and Legacy of Gerard Hoffnung	Patricia Steel
An interview with Rowan Williams	Graham Ellis
My Trip to Costa Rica	Tessa Lockyer
The poetry of TS Eliot	Stan Lee

## 2010

<i>Rooted in Christianity: Open to New Light</i> (book by Alec Wildwood)	Gordon Steel
A Celebration of Trees	Gordon Steel
A Wonderful time in Trinidad and Florida	Carol Contant
Experiences as a Nurse in Romania	Margaret Ashley
Quaker Quietism	Alan Swanson
Faith in Politics	Alan Swanson
Mystery Evening (extracts from The Times)	Gordon Steel
<i>Bad Science</i> (book by Ben Goldacre)	Gordon Steel
We must Talk about Death	Gordon Steel
Amnesty International	Chris Lawson
Poetry as Discomfort	Lawrence Upton
Beauty	Ken Aldous
Quaker Poetry	Helen Drewery
Essays on <i>The Future of the Society of Friends</i>	Graham Ellis
The Spread of Early Christianity	Gordon Steel

The Social Witness of Friends  
Three Early Quaker Biographies  
Mother Ann and the Shakers  
In Praise of Water  
Recent Developments in Policing  
The Life and Music of JS Bach  
'Momentous' – A Life of Mo Mowlam  
Visiting an ashram: teachings of Sri Kaleshwar

Graham Ellis

Stan Lee

Gordon Steel

Chas Bailey

Paul Piqué

Lesley Webster

Jane Vellacott