



To Northwest Yearly Meeting,

In the spirit of honesty and open communication that has been part of the restructuring process of Northwest Yearly Meeting, we as Metolius Friends Community Church feel it necessary to publicly declare that we are staying with Northwest Yearly Meeting. We as a Church Body stand behind NWYM and the current Faith and Practice. This decision was made from time in prayer individually and corporately, discernment together, and being led by the Holy Spirit.

Metolius Friends Community Church met on March 19, 2017 in a special called Meeting for Business to present all the information regarding the restructure as well as the history leading up to the decision, and the options that we could make moving forward. On March 22, 2017, we had a follow up Listening Meeting for thoughts, questions, and feelings to be expressed considering the information and our future decision. On April 9, 2017 at the Quarterly Meeting for Business the MFCC Elders recommended to the Church Body that Metolius Friends Community Church stay with the current Northwest Yearly Meeting. This recommendation was approved unanimously.

We are hopeful for the future of NWYM, and we are encouraged and excited to continue to have a voice and influence in NWYM. With the help and guidance of God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit we know that people's lives will be transformed, God's Kingdom will expand, and Jesus will be lifted high throughout the Northwest.

In Christ,
Metolius Friends Community Church