



Southeast Regional Gathering

January 3-6, 2008

Hosted by Jamaica Yearly Meeting

Friends everywhere are invited to join us for a unique experience of worship, community and learning at the Madge Saunders Conference Center near Ocho Rios on the northeast coast of Jamaica. The conference will begin with registration and supper Thursday evening, January 3, and continue through worship and lunch on Sunday, January 6, with optional stay-over until Monday morning, January 7.

Themes will include

- Friends' heritage in Jamaica
- Ministering to young people
- Teaching and living non-violence

Possible activities include

- Visit local meetinghouses and historic sites
- Visit Friends children's homes in nearby Highgate
- Experience Jamaican music and folklore
- The beach!

Featured speakers, sharing groups, and many opportunities to worship in silence, word and song will fill our time together.

Look for registration forms to appear in early October. The cost for the gathering (four days with food, lodging and ground transportation) is likely to be around \$400. Transportation will be provided from the international airport in Montego Bay on Thursday afternoon and back to the airport Sunday afternoon and Monday morning. Many Jamaican Friends will join the gathering during the day or make their own arrangements for overnight. You may also want to take some time to enjoy the island on your own before or after the conference.

The planning committee is currently looking for speakers on the above topics and working on the details of the program. Keep the dates open and plan on coming to sunny, warm Jamaica in January!

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