

5th of Third Month, 2010

Dear SAYMA Friends,

The Revision Committee for SAYMA's *Guide to Our Faith and Practice* will present two proposed revisions for approval at the yearly meeting to be held from 10th thru 13th of Sixth Month, 2010, at Warren Wilson College in Swannanoa, North Carolina: revisions of Section III.C on Marriage among Friends and of Section IV.A.5 on our testimony of Community. The proposed texts are being sent in advance to all SAYMA's monthly meetings, preparative meetings, and worship groups with this cover letter, and will also be posted at the SAYMA web site, *sayma.org*.

These proposals are revisions of those that were sent out in October and December of 2009 to the constituent meetings of SAYMA. The committee reviewed and incorporated minuted suggestions from the many monthly meetings in SAYMA that responded. We very much appreciate the worshipful care evidenced in the observations and recommendations, especially because the timeframe for completing the task was so constricted. Thank you, Friends.

We are not asking for further communications from meetings before the beginning of yearly meeting in June. We do ask that meeting clerks and SAYMA representatives inform their meetings that these texts are available in advance of yearly meeting. The proposed revisions will be presented during yearly meeting business sessions and there will be opportunities then to suggest changes. We encourage attendance and participation in this ongoing process of worshipful discernment.

Respectfully submitted,

Revision Committee for the *Guide to Our Faith and Practice*

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