



Penal Abolition: A Search for Justice

A Free Workshop with Quakers Fostering Justice (QFJ)



Why is our criminal justice system based on punishment?

Why do we harm people when we could be healing them?

"Never forget that justice is what love looks like in public." – Cornel West

Penal abolition seeks to shift from punishment to justice that is restorative, transformative and healing – for victims, perpetrators, and society.

Registration is free; please bring a potluck lunch item to share as you are able. We will:

- Use videos, discussions, small-group exercises to learn about QFJ's work on penal abolition
- Explore alternatives to punishment
- Learn about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action for justice work
- Connect local people and organizations concerned about the need for change.
- Map our path to doing justice to ourselves, to faith-based and broader communities, and to our world.
- All who are want to build a more socially just world are welcome – Quaker experience not required

Sat, Oct. 21, 2017

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

441 Upper Canard St., Port Williams, Nova Scotia
(15 min. from Wolfville)

Facilitators:

Dick Cotterill is a member of Halifax Monthly Meeting and Quakers Fostering Justice. He also sits on the board of the Church Council on Justice and Corrections, is a member of the Canadian Criminal Justice Association, and volunteers in Truro with the John Howard Society.

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