

At Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern and Western Districts held Ninth month 5th. 1899, in joint session.

A report was received from Bendersville Preparative Meeting.

The following minute was received from the Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight held Ninth month 28th. 1899.

The subject of the best use of our First-day evenings during the coming months has claimed our serious attention. After full expression of unity it was decided to suggest to the Monthly Meeting the propriety of deferring the re-opening of the regular First-day evening Meetings for the present, and of holding in their place others, more on the lines of the devotional Meetings held during the Yearly Meeting, at which special topics may be introduced, it being understood that whenever it is felt to be best, a meeting after the manner of a usual Meeting for worship may be held.

Taken from the minutes

A. Morris Carey, Clerk.

After a full consideration, this Meeting united in approving the proposition of the Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, and John R. Carey, Margaret H. Elliott, John L. Thomas, Mary D. Nicholson, A. Morris Carey, and Margaret T. Carey were appointed to propose to an adjourned Meeting the names of Friends to constitute a Committee to arrange for and carry out the concern of the Preparative Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

All the queries were read, together with the answers from Bendersville Preparative Meeting, and the following answers were adopted for this meeting, and were directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, to attend which as our representatives, we have appointed Ella Cowman, Elizabeth J. Hopkins, Elizabeth T. King, John L. Thomas, Richard H. Thomas, Miles White Jr. and Lelawissa Davis, who were directed to report to our next Mtg. 1st. ans. All our Meetings have been held, but owing to the absence from Baltimore during the summer of many of our members, the meetings in that city have been small: to