

Appendix 4: History of Intermountain Yearly Meeting Constituent Meetings and Worship Groups

At the first meeting of Intermountain Yearly Meeting in 1975, there were nine affiliated monthly meetings: Pima (Tucson), Tempe, Phoenix, and Flagstaff in Arizona; Paradise Valley Monthly Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada; Albuquerque and Santa Fe Monthly Meetings in New Mexico; and Boulder and Mountain View Monthly Meetings in Colorado. Logan Monthly Meeting in Utah was an associate member, and there were several worship groups and one preparative meeting (El Paso, Texas). Over the years, several new monthly meetings joined and some disappeared. In 1977, El Paso was recognized as a new monthly meeting, and in 1978, Cochise in McNeal, Arizona, and Las Cruces in New Mexico, were recognized. The first monthly meeting to be recognized as an independent monthly meeting wishing to seek affiliation was Salt Lake Monthly Meeting (Utah), which joined in 1979, followed by Logan Monthly Meeting in 1980. Midland Monthly Meeting (Texas) requested affiliation in 1982, Gila Friends Meeting (New Mexico) in 1985, Fort Collins Monthly Meeting (Colorado) in 1986, Colorado Springs Monthly Meeting and Durango Monthly Meeting in 1987, and Moab Monthly Meeting (Utah) in 2001. A brief history of the monthly meetings and worship groups under their care follows.

Arizona Half Yearly Meeting

Arizona Half Yearly Meeting was released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting in 1973 (PYM 1973-23).

Cochise Monthly Meeting: Became a monthly meeting under Arizona Half Yearly Meeting in 1978. Laid down as a monthly meeting and became a worship group under the care of Pima Monthly Meeting in 1999.

Flagstaff Monthly Meeting: Released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting in 1973. No further history is available. Had care of Prescott Worship Group, which is no longer active.

Paradise Valley Meeting: Listed in the 1975 minutes of Intermountain Yearly Meeting as one of the original monthly meetings affiliating with the yearly meeting. Indications are that it became a worship group after a visitation from Tempe Monthly Meeting on behalf of Arizona Half Yearly Meeting and then was laid down shortly before 1979. There is a Las Vegas Worship Group, currently in Las Vegas, Nevada, which is a member of Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Phoenix Monthly Meeting: Became a worship group in November 1949 and a monthly meeting in May 1950. Was released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting, effective 1974.

Pima Monthly Meeting: Was a worship group in 1940. Became a monthly meeting in April 1944. Divided from Southwest Tucson Friends Meeting in 1961. Released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting, effective 1974. Previously had the Hermosilla (Mexico) Worship Group under its care and currently oversees the Cascabel Worship Group and the Cochise (McNeal, Arizona) Worship Group.

Tempe Monthly Meeting: Originated as an outgrowth of Phoenix Monthly Meeting. Was a worship group in September 1968 and was recognized as a monthly meeting by Arizona Half Yearly Meeting in February 1973. One of the original members of Intermountain Yearly Meeting, not previously having belonged to Pacific Yearly Meeting. Previously cared for a worship group in Sun City.

Colorado Regional Meeting

Colorado Regional Meeting was formed as a general meeting and subsequently was changed to a regional meeting after the formation of Intermountain Yearly Meeting.

Boulder Meeting of Friends: Began as a worship group in May 1950 and became a monthly meeting under the auspices of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in October of the same year. Affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting in 1974. Has had several worship groups under its care at various times, including Fort Collins, Western Slope, Steamboat Springs, and Laramie, Wyoming, (which became part of Wyoming Monthly Meeting in 1990 but is not currently affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting), and currently, the Roaring Forks Worship Group in Carbondale, Colorado.

Colorado Springs Monthly Meeting: Began independently as a meeting in 1954 and came under the care of Mountainview Monthly Meeting as a worship group in 1985. Recognized as a monthly meeting in March

1987 and affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting at that time. Currently has the Buena Vista Worship Group under its care.

Fort Collins Monthly Meeting: Began as an evening gathering in 1960 and became a formal worship group under the care of Boulder Monthly Meeting in 1975. Set off as a monthly meeting in April 1986 and affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting at that time.

Mountain View Friends Meeting: Began as a worship group in September 1949 and organized as Denver Friends Meeting in December 1957, under the care of the Friends Fellowship Council of Friends World Committee for Consultation. It changed its name to Mountain View Meeting in 1958. It is one of the original members of Intermountain Yearly Meeting, after participating in the Missouri Valley Association. It has had several worship groups under its care, including Cityview, Westside, Colorado Springs, and Wingo Junction. Currently the Westside Meeting for Worship meets in the Lakewood area of metropolitan Denver but is no longer considered a separate worship group. The Three Rivers Worship Group is under the care of the meeting.

New Mexico Regional Meeting

New Mexico Regional Meeting was set up as New Mexico Quarterly Meeting in the 1950s by Santa Fe and Albuquerque Monthly Meetings and was later joined by Las Vegas Monthly Meeting. Beginning as a representative meeting, it held its first residential meeting in 1964. Released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting, effective 1973. The regional meeting continues to meet for fellowship biyearly but at this time does not have a standing committee structure. The Southeast New Mexico Allowed Meeting for Worship is under its care.

Albuquerque Monthly Meeting: Started in October 1947 as a worship group, it declared itself a monthly meeting in December 1949. Several worship groups have been under its care, including Taos, Clearlight (Taos), Gila, Los Alamos, El Paso (Texas), Durango, Lamb's Community (Cokedale, Colorado), Lubbock (Texas), and several allowed meetings for worship in the local area. Currently has under its care the Socorro Worship Group, Gallup Worship Group, Bonito Valley Worship Group (Lincoln, New Mexico), and an allowed meeting for worship in West Amarillo (Texas).

Durango Monthly Meeting: Began as a worship group under the care of Albuquerque Monthly Meeting. It became a monthly meeting in 1987 and affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting at that time. Currently has the Farmington Worship Group and the Mancos Valley Worship Group under its care.

El Paso Monthly Meeting: A worship group under Albuquerque from December 1971, when Friends World Committee for Consultation ceased to recognize remote groups of Friends in North America. Became a preparative meeting in 1975 and was set off as a monthly meeting in 1977.

Gila Friends Meeting: Established as the Gila Valley Worship Group about 1979 under the care of Albuquerque Monthly Meeting, it became a monthly meeting in 1984. It affiliated with Intermountain Yearly Meeting in 1985.

Las Cruces Monthly Meeting: A worship group from 1971 and then a preparative meeting (1975) under the care of Albuquerque Monthly Meeting. It became a monthly meeting in October 1977 and was recognized as a member of Intermountain Yearly Meeting in 1978. Has had the Carlsbad Worship Group (now the Southeast New Mexico Allowed Meeting for Worship) under its care.

Santa Fe Monthly Meeting: Began as a worship group and declared itself a monthly meeting in 1948. Was released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting in 1973, being one of the original members. Has had the Taos Worship Group and the Chamisa Preparative Meeting under its care. Currently has care of the Los Alamos Worship Group, Clearlight Worship Group, and Las Vegas Worship Group.

Utah Friends Fellowship

Utah Friends Fellowship was established in 1982 by Salt Lake Monthly Meeting and Logan Monthly Meeting.

Logan Monthly Meeting: Recognized as a monthly meeting in 1975. Released to Intermountain Yearly Meeting by Pacific Yearly Meeting in 1980. Had care of the Jackson Hole Worship Group until the formation of Wyoming Monthly Meeting in 1990.

Moab Monthly Meeting: Established as a worship group in 1980 under the care of Salt Lake Monthly Meeting. Set off as a monthly meeting in 2001 by Utah Friends Fellowship and Salt Lake Monthly Meeting, and joined Intermountain Yearly Meeting that same summer.

Salt Lake Monthly Meeting: Began as an informal gathering of Friends associated with the Wider Quaker Fellowship in 1948 and recognized by the College Park Quarterly Meeting of Pacific Yearly Meeting as a monthly meeting in 1958. It was laid down in 1961. A worship group was established in 1966; this became a monthly meeting under Intermountain Yearly Meeting in 1979 after being first recognized by Pacific Yearly Meeting and released from that body. Has had several worship groups under its care, including Ogden, Richfield, Cedar City, and Moab.

Mexico City Monthly Meeting and *Midland, Texas Monthly Meeting* are associate members of Intermountain Yearly Meeting.