## Lubbock Friends of Christ Quaker Meeting

State of Society Report Sixth month 2020

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul; "therefore I will hope in him." Lamentations 3:22-24 (NRSV)

Though the world is beset with extraordinary challenges at present, the Lord has been good to Lubbock Friends of Christ Quaker Meeting. For most of the year, we met as regularly as possible on First Days for Friendly Bible Study and unprogrammed worship. We have been blessed by the arrival of Friend Sally Shelton, who returned to her hometown of Lubbock in January to take a position at the local university. Over the next several weeks, we completed our study of the Gospel of Luke, finding, as always, that reflecting on scripture together strengthens our faith and knits us together in community.

We suspended our weekly gatherings in mid-March as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and the disease's arrival in Lubbock. To date, we have not resumed. Although we miss being together, we are thankful that everyone has remained healthy and gainfully employed (if not retired already). We contributed financially to a local fund established to assist those who have experienced more serious negative repercussions from the pandemic.

We look forward to the return of some semblance of normalcy, placing our trust in the Lord.

Approved via email