



Newly restored Clear Creek Meetinghouse, gathering site for Illinois Yearly Meeting

Report from the Dream Gathering Project

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The Dream Gathering Project has had two missions: clarifying and forwarding the *mission* of Illinois Yearly Meeting, and reaching a sense of unity about the *future* of the Yearly Meeting. Dream Gatherers visited each monthly meeting in the spring of 2005 and synthesized the hopes of monthly meetings. The Dreamfest Report was presented at the annual session in July 2005. In September 2005 a subcommittee of the Dream Gathering Project studied the Dreamfest Report and formulated several recommendations, which were presented to Fall Continuing

Committee in October 2005.

Among the recommendations presented at Fall Continuing Committee 2005 were:

1. The creation of an Advancement Committee, separate from Ministry Committee, charged with deepening relationships between monthly meetings and between monthly meetings and IYM, developing leadership in monthly meetings and yearly meeting, reaching out to monthly meetings and educating our newcomers in creative ways.
2. The enlargement of Ministry Committee to include traveling ministry to monthly meetings, ongoing spiritual growth, and discernment of leadings of the Spirit.