



**Children & Junior Young Friends Epistle
Yearly Meeting 2022
of The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Australia**

Greetings to Friends everywhere.

The families with children and Junior Young Friends were offered several short recorded stories as part of Yearly Meeting this year. There was also an Acknowledgement of Country in Kaurna and Auslan recorded for viewing.

Tracy Bourne offered a lovely music session to multi-generations of families and Friends, new and old, that included singing and action games and musical instrument playing.

On Monday evening, David Nyuol Vincent, a South-Sudanese Australian, shared with the children, JYFs, families and Friends, some of his incredible life journey from refugee to conflict mitigation work, drawn by the power of his own survival to try to stop others from going through the same experiences. He spoke with a positive energy and deep conviction and engaged with all the questions from the audience. The session was followed by some reflection, including from a JYF present.

In the middle of the week, registered children's and JYF families were invited to connect on separate Zoom meetings in which they shared with each other, and parents discussed their hopes for their families in Quaker life. For those who attended, a strong desire to meet together in person again was expressed.

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