

26th August 2018.

To Friends Worldwide,

RE: 2018 CONFERENCE EPISTLE... SOY YEARLY MEETING.

Receive our Calvary greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Soy Yearly Meeting of Friends Church (Quakers) held its 6th Annual General Conference at Huruma Friends Church in Eldoret Quarterly meeting, in Uasin Gishu County from 22nd to 26th August 2018.

Huruma Friends Church is located in the suburb of Eldoret town, off the main Uganda road at Tiri Mbili stage... (Two Tyres)... Eldoret experiences moderate climatic conditions, but during this period we had a lot of rains leading to cold nights.

Delegates started arriving on 22nd August 2018 at noon from all our Monthly meetings. The conference was officially opened at 5 pm by the Presiding Clerk, Samson M. Lutatwa.

The main speaker, Pastor Kissinger Alwende Kiluma, from Nairobi Yearly meeting, ably explored the theme "Shepherding the Church of God" derived from Acts of Apostles 20:28. We were reminded of how the church grew from Jerusalem outwards through Apostle Paul's missionary journeys and his teachings on how to shepherd the new converts.

The conference songs were Injili 165, and TTN 192, and supported by topics as below;

1. Resource Mobilization by Rosemary Luvandare,
2. Financial Stewardship by Pastor Herman Chibeyia,
3. Strategic Leadership by Ev. Steven Mundalo Bahati, Gen. Secretary EAYM-North,
4. Drug and Substance Abuse by Dr. Benedict Lusimbo
5. Christian Parenting by Pastor Elizabeth Anyira, Lugulu Monthly Meeting.
6. Evangelism by Pastor Enock Were of Huruma Monthly meeting.

We issued a Press Statement on the closing day, touching on issues which are negatively affecting lives of Kenyans; Security, domestic violence, high cost of living due to 16% VAT on petroleum products, corruption and Unrest in secondary schools.

The conference was officially declared closed by the Presiding Clerk on 26th August 2018 at 2.10 pm, with a total attendance of 439.

We were blessed by the following visitors; President/Quaker men-Kenya, PC/FCK, Director FUM/AMO, VPC/FUM International, a representative from FWCC-AS and FCPT-Kenya.

Next year's conference will be hosted by Matunda Quarterly Meeting.

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