

Maury River Friends Meeting Time Line

1970s: The Decade of Gathering In

Buena Vista Group

Worshiped in the chapel of Southern Virginia University and other locations

Merged with Lexington Group to form a preparative meeting under the care of Charlottesville Monthly Meeting

Lexington Group

Met in various places including on the W&L campus, homes, and Helen Leer=s cottage at Boxerwood.

1980s: The Decade of Preparative Meeting Status

Lexington Preparative Meeting officers

1988:

Clerk - Richard Barnes
Treasurer - Robert Cecil
RE - Lois Leasure

1989:

Clerk - Melvin Leasure
Treasurer - Robert Cecil
Ministry & Council - Melvin Leasure
RE - Dorothy Cecil
Stewardship and Finance - Robert Cecil

1990s: Lexington Preparatory Meeting at Lincoln House

1990: became Maury River Monthly Meeting

1991:

Clerk - Dyson-Cobb
Treasurer - Bill King
Ministry and Counsel - Andy Johnson
RE - Dorothy Cecil

1992:

Clerk - Peggy Dyson-Cobb
Treasurer - Bill King
Ministry and Counsel - Andy Johnson
RE - Nancy Letcher

During 1993 - 1994 we moved several times. Circumstances regarding the property for Lincoln House changed and we were on the road again. At Grace Episcopal Church in Buena Vista we met for worship from 4-5pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by pot luck, and enjoyed rocking chairs and sofas. This move brought in individuals who lived in the southern part of Rockbridge County.

During the decade 1984 - 95, we conducted Our first marriage, welcomed our first child, and took a major role in the founding of Habitat for Humanity in our area. We also formed a committee to find a permanent home, as we felt led to do so. Eventually, after several years of searching, a property became available and through the good offices of Richard and Mary Barnes we worshiped in that building for six months or so before we decided to buy it. On August 14, 1995 we moved Maury River Friends Meeting to our present location on Waterloo Drive and set about rebuilding it.

Summary of 1980s and 1990s:

During these two decades with a permanent meeting place, child care, and an RE program we had an influx of young families. We also had permanent grandparents. We were a heterogenous group in that although many of us were religious we began to use Baltimore Yearly Meeting's *Faith and Practice* for guidance.