

FALL WESTERN HALF YEARLY MEETING (Religious Society of Friends)



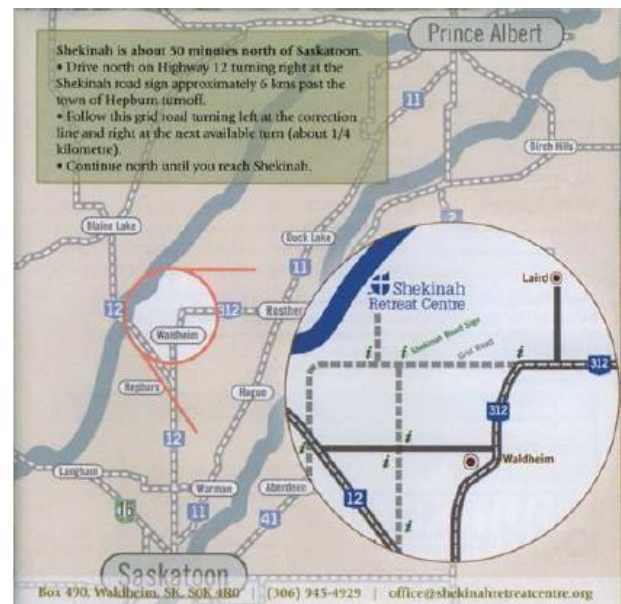
SHEKINAH RETREAT CENTRE, SK October 11th-14th, 2019

Registration form is at the end of this document. Read below for more info.

Location

Shekinah Retreat Centre is situated along the banks of the North Saskatchewan river. About 45 minutes north of Saskatoon, Shekinah is able to showcase some of the tremendous beauty and diversity contained in the natural world. Look carefully and you will uncover an abundance of life. Plants, flowers, birds, mammals, reptiles, insects, birds and fish make this environment their home.

From Saskatoon: Drive north on Highway 12 and turn right at the Shekinah Sign approximately 6 km past the Hepburn turnoff. Follow this grid and keep going straight until you hit a T-junction. Turn Left at the T-Junction - there is a Shekinah Sign. Drive 400 m and turn right - another Shekinah Sign. This road ends up at Shekinah.



GPS Coordinates: N52.727581, W106.731117

Program

Program begins on **Friday** evening with supper and an intergenerational event coordinated by Ministry & Counsel. Please don't arrive on site before 4 pm Friday.



Saturday and **Sunday** daytime will include time for worship, Meeting for Worship for Business, Special Interest Groups and plenty of free time. Children's Program will be led by the community, with many fun activities both indoors and outdoors. Outdoor activities will include, as our Shekinah tradition, the flying fox zipline (as pictured)!

On **Saturday** evening there will be an intergenerational presentation and/or activity. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Sunday evening will be Family Night, a fantastic opportunity

to share talents, fun, and artistry together.

WHYM ends **Monday** morning and we are responsible for cleaning up after ourselves at this time.

Accommodation

There are 2 choices for sleeping accommodation. In either case, bring your own sleeping bag or bedding, including a pillow. There are mattresses on the beds.

- 1) Timber Lodge. There are 17 rooms on two floors, with varying numbers of beds in each room and washrooms on the main floor. Most rooms are a combination of double beds and bunk beds. There are a few private sleeping spaces. If you need a room with privacy, notify the registrar (whymregistrar@gmail.com)
- 1) Tenting. Please note that October in Saskatchewan can be very cold, so only choose this option if you are well equipped.

Meals

The rental of Shekinah Retreat Centre requires us to use their food service. They are very good at accommodating various food requirements so please let the registrar know as soon as you can if you have allergies and/or restrictions.

On Friday night we provide our own light meal, including soups and snacks. We also provide our own snacks throughout the weekend. You are encouraged to contribute to this, as long as it is easy for you to do so (ie. don't worry about it if you are flying in). Please email the registrar if you have any questions about this.



Cost (see registration form for full breakdown):

Note that Shekinah is a more expensive site than many of our gathering places. Before you are deterred based on price, please talk to your meeting about supporting your travel and attendance. WHYM may also be able to help cover some costs. If you are in the inverse situation and think that you may be able to help others attend, while we commonly take donations on site, this would be great information to have in advance. Please talk to the registrar about any of these options.

Fees are collected on site.

<i>Examples (staying in the lodge):</i> Adults (over 18): \$300/full weekend (includes food) OR \$110/one day+night (includes food) OR \$80/day only (includes food)	Young Friends (11-18): \$225/full weekend (includes food) OR \$60/one day+night (includes food) OR \$30/day only (includes food)	Youngest Friends (0-4): FREE (includes food) Youngest Friends (5-10): \$90/full weekend (includes food)
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Transportation

If you need a ride from the airport, bus terminal or train station, contact the registrar, Beth Curry (whymregistrar@gmail.com). If you need travel assistance funds, first, request assistance from your monthly meeting and then, if you still need assistance, notify Beth as early as possible. Your request will be forwarded to finance committee. Decisions regarding travel assistance will be made during the WHYM weekend gathering.

Please ask Beth (whymregistrar@gmail.com) for more information on taking the train (VIA Rail) to this gathering!

Registration

To register, please fill out the following registration form and/or contact the registrar (Beth Curry) directly at whymregistrar@gmail.com or 306-540-2384 by Wednesday, September 18th.