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Editorial

At the July 1965 conference of the Quaker Theological Discussion Group at Richmond, Indiana, new officers and an executive committee consisting of the following were appointed: A. Burns Chalmers, chairman; Christine Downing, program chairman and editor of *Newsnotes*; Canby Jones, editor of *Quaker Religious Thought*; John McCandless, promotion and printing; T. Vail Palmer, treasurer and circulation manager.

Most members of the Steering Committee present, and those heard from subsequently, agreed that we should formulate and adopt a more adequate statement of purpose for the Quaker Theological Discussion Group.

The original statement of purpose, which has not appeared in *Quaker Religious Thought* since 1959, was:

The objective is not to formulate a Quaker creed but to explore more fully the meaning and implications of our Quaker faith and religious experience. This should include both an historical and contemporary approach, and should be concerned with both the content and application of our faith.

The proposed new statement reads:

The purpose of the Quaker Theological Discussion Group is to explore both by discussion and publication the meaning and implications of our Quaker faith and religious experience. This should include both an historical and contemporary approach and the search for unity in the claim of Truth upon us concerning both the content and the application of our faith.

Comments, suggestions and reactions to the new statement are invited from our readers and from committee members from whom we have not heard. Please send your comments to A. Burns Chalmers, 1822 "R" Street N. W., Washington, D. C. 20009. Following this further consultation we expect to carry the statement of purpose on the inside cover of each issue of *Quaker Religious Thought*.

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