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## Contributors

*William W. Stafford*, a member of Rockland Monthly Meeting (New York Yearly Meeting), says that his process of conviction has been continuous and changing since he first joined Friends in 1967. But he feels he has a better footing now than ever before. He is a lawyer who found his livelihood as a tax writer and editor after successive experiences with a New York law firm, with the government in Washington, and as a union organizer in Georgia for three years in the late 1940s. This review-essay is based on a paper he presented at a gathering sponsored by the New Foundation Fellowship at Camp Neekaunis, Ontario, in June 1980.

*R. Ward Harrington*, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy at the City University of New York, is a member of the Board of Directors of the World Federalists Association, and Clerk of Ministry and Counsel of Long Island Quarter (NYYM). Delving into George Fox's *Doctrinals* has given him a deep appreciation of Fox, who, he says, "was solidly grounded in both theology and church history" although it is not clear how he acquired that knowledge. He also had a "natural bent for logic," and "his wit and humor have been much neglected." Research on these aspects alone, Ward Harrington adds, could keep him busy until age 125 or 150, God willing.

*Dale W. Brown* exemplifies Church of the Brethren insistence on both the inner quality of Christian life and its expression in obedient service. A Ph.D. from Northwestern University (1962), he has been Professor of Christian Theology at Bethany Seminary, Oak Brook, Illinois, since 1970. Wichita, Kansas, which remains his church home, was his birthplace and the starting point for his ministry. Pastoral service from 1946 to 1960 overlapped some of his 26 years of teaching. Dale Brown has also served as Annual Conference Moderator, 1971-1972, the highest office his church bestows. He is father of three, author of eight books and numerous articles, and has long been aware of the foibles as well as the faith of Friends. During a Des Moines, Iowa, Brethren pastorate he served on regional AFSC committees, and was one of two appointed "listeners" at the 1974 Indianapolis Faith and Life Conference. He is currently offering a course at Bethany on Francis, Fox, and Francke — a comparison of Franciscan, Quaker, and Pietist styles of spirituality.

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