

FCNL Reps Report

During this last year we have had three appointed members to the General Committee. FCNL has suggested six positions for the Illinois Yearly Meeting. We need your assistance in finding four new appointees for the coming year. Thomas Simpson is completing his term this year. The current members are all from the Chicago area. If you are led to suggest yourself or a friend, it would be much appreciated.

Wil Rutt has been appointed to the FCNL Nominating Committee for a three year term. We are especially interested in identifying persons with knowledge of foreign affairs issue, financial management

During this year we have made group visitations to the offices of Senators Durbin and Kirk, both in Washington and in Chicago. Our visits were cordial and appreciated by the staff.

At the FCNL website, there are regular opportunities for creating an e-mail letter, snail mail letter or phone call. The priorities this year have included issues related to the federal defense budget, creation of prevention of conflict services and climate change. These fit well with Quaker leadings of peace and simplicity.

We hope that Meeting level activities to promote individual messages to our federal officials and also organizing of small group visits to Congressional office will be increased.

In the Light

Kevin Brubaker
Wilmer Rutt
Thomas Simpson