

## New York Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (NYYM) Actions

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NYYM Minute on Meet the Minimum Needs of All (MMNA), April 2, 2006 Minutes of Sunday, April 2, 2006  
Plainfield Meetinghouse, Plainfield, New Jersey, USA

2006-04-20. The Clerk introduced Anita Paul, clerk of Witness Coordinating Committee, who read a minute on Meeting the Minimum Needs of All from Peconic Bay Monthly Meeting and Long Island Quarterly Meeting.

After the events of 9/11/01, Friend Radh Achuthan (Peconic Bay) began to test a leading to travel to bring attention to the extent of global poverty, the connection between global poverty and world unrest, and the need for international organizations to address these issues.

With travel minutes from his monthly and quarterly meetings and from Yearly Meeting, he began this work. During the past year, Peconic Bay Meeting, Long Island Quarterly Meeting, the Witness Coordinating Committee, and monthly meetings throughout our Yearly Meeting have labored over how to deepen and broaden the commitment to meeting the needs of all people. Friends approved the following minute:

Friends share a concern about meeting the minimum needs of all people, which we define to be: providing adequate drinking water, nutrition, clothing, housing, primary health care and five years of primary education, to be achieved by the year 2030. Friends are advised to raise the issue on all occasions where it is possible to influence individuals, groups, and organizations. We charge our Clerk and General Secretary to make a special effort to speak about this issue with regional, national, and international groups. We encourage Radh Achuthan to continue his ministry on this issue under his existing travel minute.

Friends approved.

The full report may be viewed at [www.nyym.org](http://www.nyym.org) Publications and Minutes, Minutes of Spring and Fall Sessions (Representative Meetings) April 2006.