

A Quaker Journey Story—Read More About It!

From the beginnings of Quakerism in England in the 1640s, Quakers have been on the move: England to the American colonies, the mid-Atlantic states to the South, the South to the Northwest Territory, the Ohio country to the West Coast, and beyond.

Juvenile Fiction

The Beckoning Road (1929) by Caroline Dale Snedeker—A Quaker family moves from Nantucket to the socialist community of New Harmony, Indiana, and has many adventures along the way.

Never Call Retreat (1957) by Anne Sayre—A Quaker family moves from Pennsylvania to Alabama hoping to teach Southerners modern farming methods after the Civil War.

Stowaway to America (1959) by Borghild Dahl—To escape her harsh life, a Norwegian girl stows away on a tiny ship bearing a group of Norwegian Quakers to America in 1825.

Susanna's Candlestick (1970) by Lillie V. Albrecht—An English Quaker girl travels to the American colonies and faces persecution by the Puritans.

Tomorrow Will Be Bright (1958) by Mabel Leigh Hunt—A fictionalized account of the Harvey family's journey from North Carolina to Ohio in 1806.

Uncharted Ways (1935) by Manning de V. Lee—An English Quaker girl (based loosely on the historical Mary Dyer) comes to 1650s Massachusetts where she faces hanging because of her faith.

Fiction

Angle of Repose (1971) by Wallace Stegner—A middle-aged man researches the story of his grandmother, a Quaker pioneer in 19th century California.

Bush River: A Story of Quaker Migration to the Northwest Territory (n.d.) by Wilson S. Doan—A fictionalized account of Quaker migration from South Carolina to Ohio.

Fruit in His Season (1961) by Helen Corse Barney—Following the Revolutionary War, a group of Virginia Quakers seek a new life on the Ohio frontier.

Give Me Your Golden Hand (1951) by Evelyn Sybil Mary Eaton—The son of King George III and Quaker Hannah Lightfoot spends his boyhood in France, then emigrates to America where he marries a Quaker woman and serves in the Continental Army.

The Good Crop (1946) by Elizabeth Holaday Emerson—The story of a Quaker couple who move their family of 11 children from Tennessee to Illinois in the 1830s.

In My Youth (1914) by Robert Dudley—A story of Quaker pioneer in Indiana prior to the Civil War, believed to be autobiographical.

The Inner Voice (1940) by Nina Wilcox Putnam—A young Quaker man in 19th century North Carolina moves to Kansas to live in an area free of slavery.

The Mill on Mad River (1948) by Howard Clark—Set in Waterbury, Connecticut, in the early 19th century, a neighbor of the hero is a Quaker who moved there from Virginia to get away from slavery.

Nancy Lloyd, The Journal of a Quaker Pioneer (1927) by Anna Lloyd Braithwaite Thomas—Based on the life of an ancestor of the author, and written in the form of a journal, a Quaker woman faces hardship in early colonial Pennsylvania.

The Quaker Cross (1911) by Cornelia Mitchell Parsons—A novel of the founding of the Society of Friends by George Fox, the persecution of the early Quakers in England and the colonies, and the founding of Pennsylvania by William Penn.

Non-Fiction Books

Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America (1989) by David Hackett Fischer

"The Best Man for Settling New Country": The Journal of Timothy Rogers (2000) edited by Christopher Densmore

Claiming Our Past: Quakers in Southwest Ohio and Eastern Tennessee (1992) by D. Neil Snarr and Associates

A Community of Letters: A Quaker Woman's Correspondence and the Making of the American Frontier, 1791-1824 (2008) by Barbara Kathleen Wittman

Loudoun County, Virginia: Quaker Migration Patterns (1995) by Ann Whitehead Thomas

Migration in Early America, the Virginia Quaker Experience (1980) by Larry Dale

Migration of Church Groups to Midwest: Routes and Sources (1987) by Nita Neblock

A Peaceable Pilgrimage: Quakers Migration and the Creation of Leesburg, Ohio, Highland County, and Southwestern Ohio, 1775-1820 (2002) by John Fitzgerald

Portrait in Grey: A Short History of the Quakers (1986) by John Punshon

Quaker Crosscurrents: Three Hundred Years of Friends in the New York Yearly Meetings (1995) edited by Hugh Barbour

A Quaker Forty-Niner: The Adventures of Charles Edward Pancoast on the American Frontier (1930) edited by Anna Paschall Hannum

Quaker Migration to "Miami Country," 1798-1861 (1975) by Leonard E. Brown

Quaker Migration to the Western Waters (1946) by Dorothy Lloyd Gilbert

Quaker Migration to Southwest Ohio (1967) by C. Clayton Terrell

A Quaker Migration to Southwestern Ohio (1996) by Jack Thomas Hutchinson

Quaker Pioneers (1940) by Harriet Fyffe Richardson

Quakers in the American Colonies (1966) by Rufus Jones

Time Travels: 200 Years of Highland County History (2007) by Charlotte Pack

William and Sarah Biddle, 1633-1711: Planting a Seed of Democracy in America (2012) by C. Miller Biddle

William Penn and the Dutch Quaker Migration to Pennsylvania (1935) by William I. Hull

Articles

"Held Captive by the Irish: Quaker Captivity Narratives in Frontier Pennsylvania" in *The New Hibernia Review* (2004) by Joanna Brooks

"In Search of a New Jerusalem: A Preliminary Investigation into the Causes and Impact of the Welsh Quaker Emigration to Pennsylvania, c. 1660-1750" in *Quaker Studies* (2004) by Richard C. Allen

"The Journey of a Pennsylvania Quaker to Pioneer Ohio" in *The Cincinnati Historical Bulletin* (1968) by Dwight L. Smith and Winifred S. Smith

"Memoir of David Hoover" in *The Indiana Quarterly Magazine of History* (1906) by David Hoover

"Mount Pleasant and the Early Quakers of Ohio" in *Ohio History* (1974) by James L. Burke and Donald E. Bensch

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