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The Quaker Sanctuary Tradition – Linda Rabben

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Sanctuary has been part of the Quaker faith and practice since the sect's earliest days. Friends and their organizations have rescued people from persecution and war and provided them with refuge, sometimes at great personal risk. Quakers have been prominent participants in sanctuary movements, such as the Underground Railroad, as well as rescue and relief efforts, such as the Kindertransport, before, during and after wars. Quaker testimonies and writings underlie the practice of sanctuary, which continues today.



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