

## Annual Retreat Planning Committee Report 2023-2024

### Online Retreat -- October 2023:

The online retreat went very well in 2023. There were a total of 99 registrations and 109 tickets sold. There were 29 scholarship registrations and \$127 was raised through scholarship donations. The total amount raised by the online retreat was \$2310.

There were a variety of workshops and panels, speakers, meetings, and a sobriety countdown.

The online retreat planning committee completed their work after creating a living retreat-planning instruction document that could be passed on from committee to committee for easier transfer of leadership.

A new committee took shape in October of 2023 to plan the in-person 2024 retreat.

### In-Person Retreat -- October 18-20, 2024:

The current retreat committee is planning the in-person retreat for 2024. A budget for an estimate of 25 people has been created and updated. The retreat will take place in Nanaimo, BC at the Bethlehem Centre.

The committee created a tentative schedule for meetings, speakers, panels, workshops, quiet time, fellowship time, and a sobriety countdown.

After some discussion, the committee decided that this retreat would be in person only and will not be accessible remotely. The committee decided to plan a short online retreat several months after the in-person retreat.

The retreat committee landed on the theme of "Embraced by Fellowship: A Retreat of Connection"

The next retreat planning meeting is scheduled for March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 2:00 ET.

Thank you very much and we appreciate your support. We hope to see some of you at the retreat in 2024!

Warmly,  
The Retreat Committee