

# JOHAN MAURER

## SPEAKING, WRITING, MOTIVATING...

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- I am a lifelong communicator with international experience in educational, NGO, denominational and interchurch settings. I enjoy working with people, assessing resources and obstacles, assembling workable plans, and moving forward together. I'm an experienced speaker, teacher, retreat and seminar leader. In an era of specialization, I'm an unapologetic generalist!
- My administrative experience includes budget-building; overseeing audits; contracting and procurement; human resources (hiring, care, conflict resolution, and termination); donor relations; computers and networks, HTML, and Web site maintenance.
- Born in Norway, educated in the USA and Canada; comfortable in English and Russian.

## SERVICE AND EMPLOYMENT

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### **CURRENTLY Freelance writer/editor, Elektrostal, Russia**

Affiliated with Crane MetaMarketing Ltd. (Alpharetta, Georgia) since 2004. Clients include Calvin College, Houghton College, Pace University, California Western School of Law, Catlin Gabel School, College Preparatory School (Oakland, California), Fulbright Program in Russia.

### **CURRENTLY New Humanities Institute and School of Foreign Languages, Elektrostal, Russia**

*Senior Instructor at the Institute (college level) and School (high school level)*

Teacher of conversational English and American studies since 2007. Occasional lecturer 1996-2007.

### **2003-2004 Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, Birmingham, UK**

*Academic Fellow - Ferguson Quaker Fellowship*

Research, writing, and speaking on issues of missiology and Friends discipleship.

### **2000-2003 Reedwood Friends Church, Portland, Oregon**

*Pastor (member of pastoral team)*

Responsibilities included directing the Center for Christian Studies; adult education; crisis counseling; outreach; worship leadership and preaching.

### **1993-2000 Friends United Meeting, Richmond, Indiana**

*General Secretary*

Head of staff of the largest of the Quaker denominations, and editor of its periodical *Quaker Life*.

Oversight of staff of 23 in USA and 15 in international placements. Responsible to international board for all programs, administration and fundraising. Highlights of service include:

- increased financial stability with transparent procedures and controls
- substantially increased international outreach and collaboration
- improved trust levels among staff and within larger constituency
- confronted issues of corruption and paternalism in international affiliations
- administrative and research visits to Israel and Palestine, Russia, Jamaica, Kenya, Uganda, Cuba, Mexico, Belize, Lithuania.

### **1983-1993 Friends World Committee for Consultation, Richmond, Indiana; Wilmington, Ohio**

*Midwest Field Staff, coordinator of Right Sharing of World Resources*

FWCC maintains relationships with all Friends constituencies and agencies worldwide.

- Traveled among Friends in USA, Canada, Bolivia, Mexico. Organized nine regional conferences. Supervised staff, interns, volunteers; raised funds.
- Right Sharing, a program of development aid and education, involved evaluating projects; monitoring funds; speaking tours, newsletters, and fundraising; coordinating international network of volunteers; field visits (India, Jamaica, Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador); leading study tours (Jamaica, El Salvador). Project funding increased 2.5 times during tenure.

## OTHER EMPLOYMENT (1970-1983)

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Restaurant (cook), telephone factory, hotel, university library, three Christian bookstores, a Canadian Quaker periodical and a Quaker residence and program center (Beacon Hill Friends House, Boston, as assistant director, then director).

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

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- 2014-present: Advisory Group member, Friends of Jesus Fellowship
- 2011-2014: presiding clerk of Moscow Monthly Meeting of Friends
- 1994-2012: Friends International Library, Board member
- 1996-2004, 2009-2015: Friends House Moscow Board of Trustees (presiding clerk 2004)
- 1997-2003: Earlham School of Religion Board of Advisors
- 2002-2003: Russian Oregon Social Services, bilingual tutor
- 1998-2002: Right Sharing of World Resources Board
- 1978-80: Jewish Family and Children's Services, Boston, Massachusetts, bilingual volunteer for refugees
- 1978-80: Social Action Ministries of Greater Boston
- 1982-1988: US-USSR Church Relations Committee, National Council of Churches
- 1975: Summer internship, Voice of Calvary, Mendenhall, Mississippi

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Numerous articles, editorials, and book reviews in Friends periodicals.
- "Experiences of a Small-Scale Funder," *Hunger Notes* 18:3-4, Spring 1993.
- "Was there a War Going On?" in *Friends and the Vietnam War*, Chuck Fager, Editor, Pendle Hill, 1998.
- "Membership," "Sin," "Friends United Meeting," and "Disownment" in *Historical Dictionary of the Friends (Quakers)*, by Margery Post Abbott and others, Scarecrow Press, 2003.
- "Friends Organizations and Ministry" in *Led by the Voice of the Light: Friends public ministry in the 21<sup>st</sup> century*, edited by Margery Post Abbott and Peggy Parsons, Friends United Press, 2004.
- "Evangelical Friends Consider Good and Evil" in *Good and Evil: Quaker Perspectives*, edited by Jackie Leach Scully and Pink Dandelion, Ashgate, 2007.
- "Future of Friends in Europe," *Quaker Religious Thought*, vol. 123-124 (November 2014). PDF version available on request. Excerpted in FWCC European and Middle East publication *Among Friends* in issue 115, Summer 2009.
- "Discipleship-based evangelism in today's Russia," Northwest Regional Conference of the Evangelical Missiological Society, George Fox University, April 11, 2015.
- Articles in the proceedings of the New Humanities Institute's annual conference on teaching methodology: "Towards a Dialogue of Cultures" (2007); "Teaching English-Language Idioms: A Thematic Approach" (2009); "Five Common Features of the Russian-English Interlanguage" (2011); "A Gap-Fill Exercise with Songs: Enjoyable and Useful" (2012); "Political Correctness in the Classroom" (2013); "Three Questions About Cheating" (2014); "It Ain't Necessarily So: Rules, Audiences, and Arakin." All available in PDF form through [nounci.academia.edu/JohanMaurer](http://nounci.academia.edu/JohanMaurer)

## EDUCATION

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BA (Russian), 1976, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario. Other education includes Spanish (Wilmington College, Ohio); accounting and theology (Harvard Extension School, Cambridge, Massachusetts); Bible, theology and church administration (Earlham School of Religion, Richmond, Indiana); conflict resolution and leading change (Alban Institute, Chicago); Laubach Literacy certificate; TESOL certificate.

## REFERENCES

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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