

# Kids Quake Quaker History by Month

**January 3, 1793** - Lucretia Coffin Mott, abolitionist and women's rights advocate, is born.

**January 8, 1672** - Early Quaker minister Elizabeth Hooton died while on a mission to Jamaica

**January 19, 1748** - Birthday of Elias Hicks Quaker minister, abolitionist

**January 21, 1661** - George Fox and ten other Friends wrote the Declaration of 1660 to convince the king that Quakers were not a threat because they did not believe in the use of violence. They hoped to end persecution of Quakers.

**January 21, 1950** - Former State Department official Alger Hiss, was found guilty in New York of lying to a grand jury while under investigation for being part of a Communist spy ring.

**January 31, 1713** - Quaker abolitionist Anthony Benezet is born.

**February 18, 1688** - Quakers in Germantown Pennsylvania adopt resolutions against slavery in the first known public protest against slavery in the American colonies.

**March 4, 1681** - King Charles II granted a Royal Charter to William Penn, to establish the colony that became Pennsylvania.

**March 23, 1699** - Birth date of American botanist & Quaker John Bartram

**March 19, 1748** - Birth date of Elias Hicks Quaker minister & abolitionist whose ministry led to the Hicksite/Orthodox split in 1828

**April 7, 1927** - An image is transmitted of U.S. Commerce Secretary Herbert Hoover, a Quaker, in the first successful long distance demonstration of television.

**April 21, 1649** - Maryland's assembly enacts the Toleration Act providing for freedom of worship for all Christians including Quakers.

**May 19, 1795** - Johns Hopkins, founder of Johns Hopkins University & Hospital was born.

**May 21, 1780** - Birth date of Elizabeth Fry - Quaker Prison Reformer

**June 1, 1660** - Mary Dyer executed for preaching Quakerism in Massachusetts

**June 4, 1893** - Birth Date of Thomas Kelly Quaker mystic

**June 13, 1652** - George Fox preaches to about a thousand people at Firbank Fell. This is said to be the first Quaker Meeting

**June 23, 1683** - William Penn, the English Quaker, signed a treaty with chiefs of the Lenni Lenape Tribe to ensure peace in his new American colony.

**July 11, 1656** - Quakers Ann Austin and Mary Fisher are arrested in Boston for their Quaker beliefs and preaching. They were kicked out of the colony.

**July 18, 1663** - Rhode Island's charter guarantees religious freedom.

**August 9, 1974** - Quaker Richard Nixon resigns the United States presidency.

**August 21, 1789** - Birth date of Thomas Garrett a Quaker merchant from Wilmington, Delaware. He helped over 2,700 slaves to freedom through the secret network known as the Underground Railroad. August 21 is Thomas Garrett Day in Delaware.

**September 19, 1839** - Birthday of George Cadbury, Quaker chocolate manufacturer and social reformer.

**September 29, 1758** - The Yearly Meeting of Philadelphia Quakers adopts a ban on members participating in the slave trade.

**October 3, 1863** - The Yearly Meeting of American Quakers petitions Congress to end slavery.

**October 14, 1644** - Birth date of William Penn

**October 19, 1720** - Birth date of John Woolman

**October 27, 1659** - Quakers William Robinson and Marmaduke Stevenson executed for religious beliefs in Massachusetts

**October 28, 1789** - Birth date of Levi Coffin the Quaker "president" of the Underground Railroad

**October 29, 1682** - The founder of Pennsylvania, William Penn, landed at what is now Chester, Pennsylvania.

**October 31, 1517** - Martin Luther nails his '95 Theses' to the church door at Wittenberg, Germany triggering the Protestant reformation which eventually led to the birth of Quakerism.

**November 2, 1773** - Birth date of Stephen Grellet

**November 28, 1984** - William Penn and his second wife, Hannah Callowhill Penn, were named honorary citizens of the United States by President Ronald Reagan and an Act of Congress

**December 4, 1833** - The American Anti-Slavery Society is formed in Philadelphia with many members being Quakers.

**December 9, 1833** - The Philadelphia Female Anti-Slavery Society is founded by black and white women also with many members being Quakers.

**December 16, 1656** - James Naylor was convicted of blasphemy

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