



# Canadian Friends Service Committee

## E-Newsletter



### **Beware the Popular Idea That You Know a Hidden Truth**

From "woke" to "red pilling", a simple idea—that your side is awake to the secret way things are while everyone else sleepwalks—has made its way across intense ideological divides. Our [newest post for Psychology Today](#) looks at the phenomena and its impacts.

**Canadian Coalition for Children with Incarcerated Parents**

INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC RELEASE OF THE FILM  
**BONDS THAT HURT: BONDS THAT HEAL**  
IN HONOUR OF NATIONAL CHILD DAY  
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 18, 11:00 AM MOUNTAIN TIME



This film demonstrates that the harmful impact of having a parent in prison does not end when you grow up; the trauma and stigma can be insidious and last a lifetime.

Join an online presentation and panel discussion that includes participants from the film facilitated by Dr. Barbara Pickering



Pacific time: 10 am. Mountain time: 11 am. Central: 12 pm  
Eastern: 1 pm. Atlantic: 2 pm. Newfoundland: 2:30 pm.

To register please email  
**[bjpicker@ucalgary.ca](mailto:bjpicker@ucalgary.ca)**

Please include in the subject line  
"CCCIP Event Registration"  
You will be sent a link to the event before Nov 18.



**Free screening of *Bonds That Hurt: Bonds That Heal***

Join CFSC and the Coalition for the Children of Incarcerated Parents on Friday November 18 for a free online screening of the film *Bonds That Hurt: Bonds That Heal*. This film looks at the life long impacts on a child when their parent is incarcerated. [Email bjpicker@ucalgary.ca to register](mailto:bjpicker@ucalgary.ca) and get a link to watch the film.



*Long-time CFSC associate member for synthetic biology Anne Mitchell speaks at a conference CFSC co-hosted at Friends House in Toronto, 2017. The implications of gene drives were one topic that came up frequently over the course of the conference.*



## Calling for a moratorium on gene drives

Some scientists and corporations want to alter wild animals, insects, and plants. One technology being worked on for this is called a gene drive. It would force a genetically engineered trait to be inherited by an abnormally high number of offspring. In theory this might make that trait take over in an entire wild population, or even a whole species.

We're concerned that the far-reaching [ecological, social, and spiritual impacts](#) of gene drives are being largely ignored. CFSC has joined again with groups from around the world to call for a pause on gene drives, at least until meaningful regulations exist. [Find out more.](#)





*Demonstration in Stockholm against the Russian invasion of Ukraine Feb 27, 2022 CC-BY 4.0 Frankie Fouganthin*



## **Quaker agencies issue collective statement on Ukraine and the peace testimony**

CFSC has joined our sister Quaker agencies in other countries to publish a new joint statement about the situation in Ukraine and the Quaker peace testimony. [Read the statement](#) (PDF). Our [April 2022 article](#) discusses this issue in more depth.