



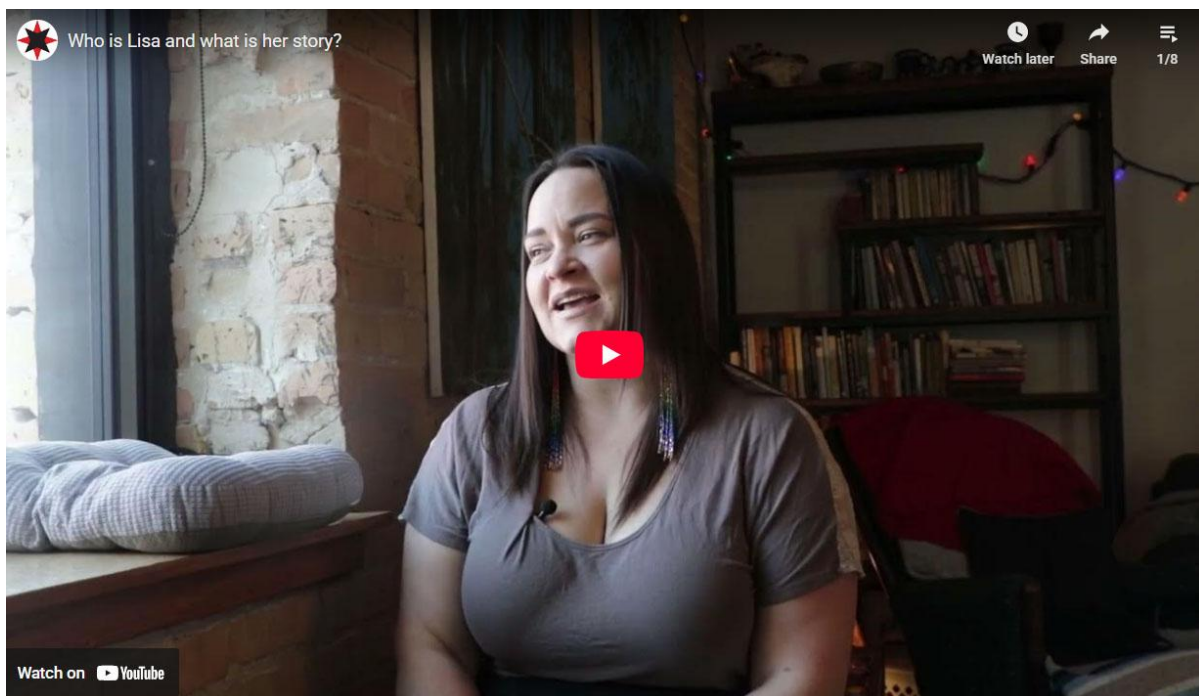
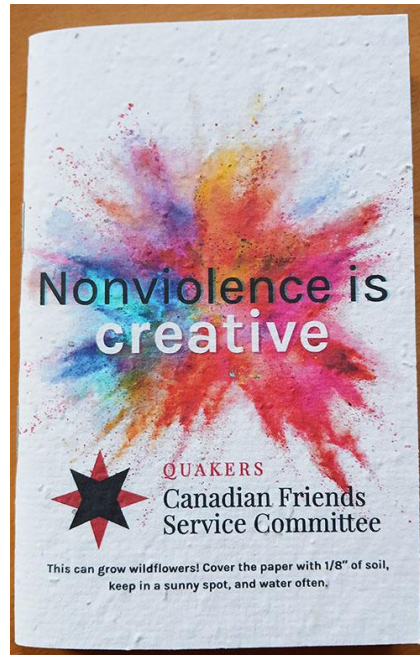
## Canadian Friends Service Committee E-Newsletter



### Please donate today

A huge thank you to everyone who's given so far in response to our annual fundraising appeal! We're still short of our goal so please [read and share our Annual Accountability Report](#) and [donate](#) to support all of this peace and social justice work.

Donors over \$150 will also get a special thank you gift: this beautiful *Nonviolence is* creative pocket notebook. Not only is the notebook ethically sourced, but if you plant the paper, it can grow wildflowers!



## Unshackled: wisdom from a formerly incarcerated Métis woman

Over the next year, we'll be posting a series of very special short videos. Watch as Lisa—a dynamic and engaging storyteller—shares her experience of incarceration, what

prison life is really like, and the impacts that transformative justice and time in a Healing Lodge have had for her. The first videos in the series are already available: <https://QuakerService.ca/Unshackled>



Canada's AI Minister Evan Solomon speaks at the ALL IN artificial intelligence conference in Montreal. Photo courtesy ALL IN

## CFSC joins calls for extended national AI consultations

A national artificial intelligence strategy is too important to “sprint” through in 30 days. Recently Canadian Friends Service Committee signed an open letter alongside 160+ civil society and human rights groups, academics, field experts, and privacy and equality advocates across Canada, protesting rushed “consultation” and calling for a re-do: <https://QuakerService.ca/AIConsultation>



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## Canada needs to be a leader on peacebuilding

We write to you today as a collective of organizations committed to the role that peacebuilding plays in building bridges and creating sustainable change in moments of conflict and crisis. As you review Canada's foreign policy and lead the G7 Foreign Minister's track, we ask that peacebuilding be prioritized as a focus area for Canadian leadership and that Canada publicly recommit to peacebuilding and conflict prevention...

Keep reading this open letter: <https://QuakerService.ca/PeacebuildingLeadership>



## Featured resource: webinar on advancing *UN Declaration*

At the end of November CFSC and the Coalition for the Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples hosted a conversation between a dynamic panel of experts. The topic? The urgent need to advance implementation of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*. The video of this event is now available:

<https://QuakerService.ca/AdvancingImplementation>