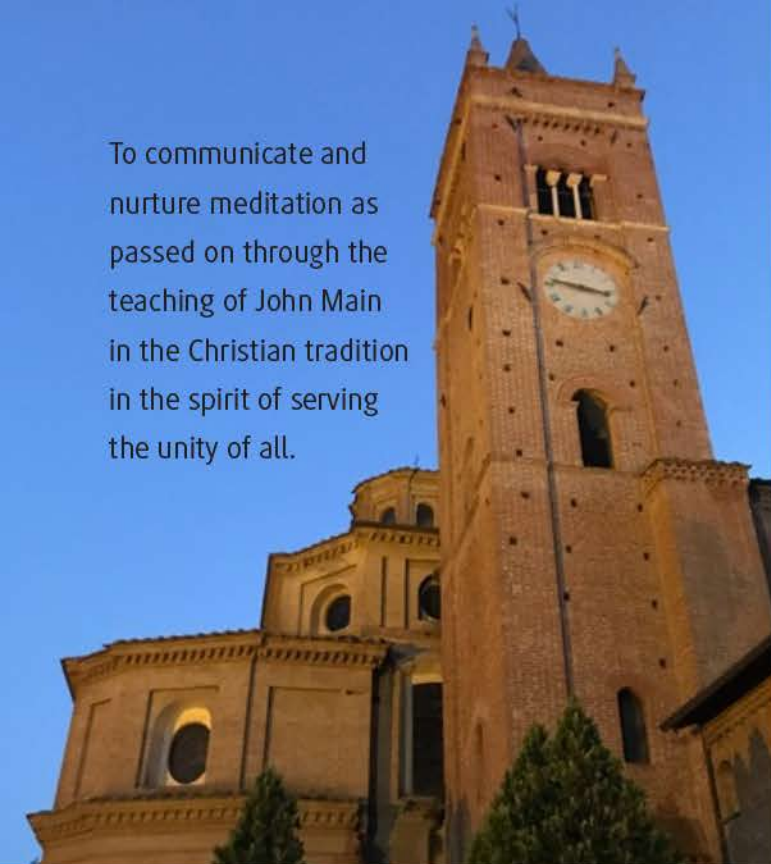


To communicate and nurture meditation as passed on through the teaching of John Main in the Christian tradition in the spirit of serving the unity of all.



View video about the Monte Oliveto retreat here: <http://tiny.cc/MtOliveto>

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REGISTRATION

The cost of the retreat is **€850 for a single room** (shared bathroom) or **€610 for a double room per person sharing** (private bathroom).

Do not hesitate to contact us in case of financial difficulties. Please note, all costs are in Euro.

Young people may request a triple/quadruple room at a **special rate of €460**. Please write or call to: monteoliveto@wccm.org; +44 (0) 20 72782070.

Please return your registration form as soon as possible in order to secure your reservation. **Full payment must be made by 1 March, 2018**. We will charge a cancellation fee of **50% of the total retreat price for cancellations prior to 30 April**. **After this date your payment is non refundable and non transferable**. It is important that you have comprehensive travel insurance to cover this contingency.

WHERE TO SEND YOUR PAYMENT

In order to simplify the administrative procedures and to avoid bank charges we thank you for making a bank transfer to our euro account:

Bank: Barclays Bank, 83-85 Notting Hill Gate
London W11 3JS

Account Name: World Community for
Christian Meditation

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SILENT MEDITATION RETREAT

Monte Oliveto
Siena, Italy

Saturday 2 June — 9 June 2018



BEING ALONE TOGETHER
Solitude and Community

Led by
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Giovanni Felicioni

The World Community
for Christian Meditation



Theme of the retreat

BEING ALONE TOGETHER

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If meditation creates community it is because it teaches us to discover the real nature of solitude and to love it as the cure for the worst of human ills - loneliness. Making a silent meditation retreat in friendly company is a fast track to make this transformative discovery and to share it at a deep level.

The Monte Oliveto Retreat

Situated on a rise, among cypresses, overlooking the beautiful, natural landscape of the Sienese hills, the Abbey of Monte Oliveto Maggiore is the Mother House of Laurence Freeman's monastic family. It is an exceptional monument to art as well as a centre of Benedictine spirituality.

The WCCM international retreat has been held in this place of beauty and peace for 30 years and leads its participants into a deeper and more peaceful place from which to continue their life's work and journey.

The day is made up of times of meditation, yoga, teaching, worship, solitude and sharing. The surrounding countryside invites for afternoon walks and artistic creation. The spirit of silence during the day renews the spirit, while the evening meal is a time of relaxation and friendship with retreatants from different countries.



Laurence Freeman OSB



Giovanni Felicioni

The retreat is open to all, though it is advisable to have some experience of regular meditation. It begins on the evening of the 2nd of June and concludes on the morning of the 9th of June 2018. Participants commit to the whole week and this is a condition of acceptance on the retreat.

Travel

Participants are responsible for their own travel to Italy – either directly to Monte Oliveto, or to Pisa. The WCCM will have a bus departing from Pisa airport at 14.00 hours on Saturday 2 June and returning on Saturday 9 June 2018 (leaving Monte Oliveto at 10.00 hours).

Bus one way €25, both ways €50.

Pisa airport is within easy reach of Florence by direct train. Participants should make their own arrangements for either getting to Pisa airport and meeting the bus, or travelling independently to Monte Oliveto to arrive at 17.00 hours. There is a good train network (all timetable information is on the web: www.trenitalia.it), and one can travel south from Florence, or north from Rome to either Asciano-Monte Oliveto or Buonconvento – the local stations. From either of these towns you can get a taxi to Monte Oliveto. Taxi phone numbers will be provided.

REGISTRATION FORM

I would like to reserve a place on the
Monte Oliveto Retreat — 2-9 June 2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email/Phone: _____

Accommodation

I would like to reserve —

- ☐ Shared double (private bathroom): €610 pp
- ☐ Single room (shared bathroom): €850
- ☐ Quadruples and triples: €460

Have you been on a WCCM silent meditation retreat before?

Motivations for coming on this retreat?

Do you attend a WCCM meditation group?

Do you have a medical condition?

Do you have special dietary requirements?

(Please answer on separate sheet.)

I understand that I will pay for these by bank transfer once you confirm a place for me on the retreat —

- ☐ Payment for shared double room €610
- ☐ Payment for single room €850
- ☐ Payment for triple/quadruple room €460
- ☐ €50 for bus Pisa/Monte Oliveto/Pisa (or €25 for one way only, please state which way)
- ☐ A donation towards scholarship assistance.
Please contribute according to your means
- ☐ A donation towards the work of the community