

It's time to send in your registration for yearly meeting sessions scheduled for July 24-27, at Quaker Haven Camp. Please pray for God's Spirit to cover us and plan now to be present.

Don't miss out!

Rod and Judy Dennis will be honored at a retirement celebration open house on June 29 from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at Bethel Friends Church. Rod is concluding 15 years of ministry at Bethel. He and Judy will be moving to Sheridan, Indiana.

Del & Suzanne Livingston from Northwest Yearly Meeting have done great work fabricating and installing bio-sand water filters providing clean drinking water in needy areas of Africa. A training session originally scheduled following the FUM Triennial has been cancelled, but the Livingston's would be available to visit your congregation to talk about this fascinating ministry. To learn more go to www.friendlywaterfortheworld.com. To schedule the Livingston's call 253-468-3622 or email them at waterforafrica@gmail.com.

Joe Reece who served several churches in IYM will mark his 90th birthday with a celebration service in North Carolina on July 5. His family is compiling a scrapbook to present to him on that day. Cards or notes should be sent to Joe in care of Rebecca Reece Gregson at 703 Robeson Avenue, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450.

Ardith Talbot passed away on Tuesday, June 3. She served as pastor of White River Friends in Winchester from 1998 - 2008 as well as clerking the IYM Evangelism and Outreach Committee for several years. A celebration of Life service in her honor is planned next month on July 5 at Quakerdale in Iowa. Condolences can be sent to her husband, Dick, at 1518 12th St. Eldora, IA 50627

Please pray for the VBS events that many of our meetings are having this time of year. Each child is important and must come to make Jesus their Lord and Savior. Please pray for the many volunteers.

Back Creek Friends will be hosting the 2nd annual Back Creek Run – Open Car Show Saturday, June 7, from 10 -2. Door prizes will be awarded every hour with music and fun all day. Food will also be available. For more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/1404911869772244/>.

Center Friends will be celebrating their 150th anniversary on June 22. As a prelude, their pastor, Duane Cox, will be preaching from the rooftop on June 15! The schedule on June 22 will include a special afternoon celebration from 2-4 pm featuring Gary Wright, Doug Shoemaker, and the Trinity Trio. Former pastors will be honored as well. Friends are invited to join Center Friends for this day of celebration.

Hinkle Creek will host Tri-County Quarterly Meeting on Sunday, June 29. Dinner will be served at 5 pm and the worship/business will begin at 6:30pm.

Westfield's Centennial Celebration of Helen & Jefferson Ford's Departure for Kenya. Celebrate the Ford's call to Kenya 100 years ago. Learn how they helped translate the Bible, planted Friends churches, and started the Friends Theological College. Meet current Kenya Friends, John Muhanji and Robert Wafula. A carry-in dinner is Sunday, June 15, at 6 pm. For more details call 317-896-9233 or go to www.westfieldfriendschurch.org.

Certificate of Recognition – Time to think about who you would like to recognize in your meeting at IYM Sessions! Local M&O or Monthly Meeting Clerk approved nominations were due by June 1, but will be accepted thru July 1. Form is at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PXZJGHH> or request a paper copy of this form from M&O and mail to the IYM office, to the attention of "M&O".

National Friends Church Multiplication Conference is Aug 6-8. This is for anyone who has a heart for Church planting and fulfilling the Great Commission through the Friends Church For information or to register call 620-862-5252 or email deb.folkerts@barclaycollege.edu.

Quaker Haven Camp Ambassadors are a new contact between QHC and the area Friends Meetings. To date 27% of IYM congregations, have appointed Ambassadors. The Ambassador Program is still quite new and some may not have heard about it. For questions, email Steve@QuakerHaven.com.

Barclay College representatives will be in Indiana in late June and early July attending the IYM Pastors Short Course. The college offers a Full Tuition Scholarship program for undergraduate students on campus and was listed in the Forbes Top Ten Colleges with No Tuition last summer. Prospective students or their parents can schedule home visits with Barclay leaders by contacting Royce Frazier at royce.frazier@barclaycollege.edu.

FUM Triennial Sessions are nearly here! Please check at www.fum.org for details. If you are not pre-registered you can still attend for the commuter fee of \$90 per day which includes lunch and dinner. Evening sessions can be enjoyed by all, but a donation box will be available at the door to offset expenses.

Belize Friends Mission: Dale Graves, Interim Director, is looking for 110 individuals or groups who will commit to \$25 per month for one year.

Each year IYM prepares a Memorials Booklet listing the members who have passed away to be used at the Memorial Service on Sat afternoon at YM. We want to list the member/members who have died since June 2013 from your church in the IYM booklet and if you want to write a short paragraph about the person, this will be included. Please send to IYM by July 1 the following info:

1. Name
2. Birth date
3. Death date
4. Monthly Meeting Membership

Good Morning!

The congregation was rejoicing as their pastor announced that God had provided funds to completely pay off the mortgage for their new building. Their expressions changed when he added, "The only problem is – the money is still in your bank accounts!" He then invited the ushers to come forward to collect the offering. It's likely that your church already has all the money needed to do what God has called you to do.

"Thank you for the opportunity to do something important with my life," is what an elderly woman said to a man raising funds for a children's hospital.

She had just given two million dollars, and rather than feeling used, she felt joy in being able to use her resources to make a real difference in the lives of desperate families.

A proposal will be considered at yearly meeting this summer that will reduce assessment obligations for most of our churches and depend more upon voluntary contributions to fund the program budget of IYM in the future. My prayer is that many will want to do something important by personally investing in a yearly meeting that is impacting churches and individuals for the glory of God.

By the way, this month I'm participating in a golf marathon seeking to raise money for the kids at White's Residential & Family Services. To read more go to this link: http://www.marathoneventmarketing.com/mem_participant.cml?u=DougShoemaker where you can click on the "sponsor me now" link to make a contribution. God has already provided funds for the White's kids, the only problem is – it may still be in your bank account.

Doug Shoemaker

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IYM Upcoming Calendar

6/9 *Faith & Practice Review Committee; IYM Office, 6:30 pm*
6/11-15 *FUM Triennial; Indiana Wesleyan University*
6/16 *Investment Board; Red Lobster (Muncie), 11 am*
6/30-7/3 *Pastors' Short Course; Quaker Haven*
7/24-7/27 *IYM Sessions; Quaker Haven*
7/29 *Trustees; IYM Office, 6:30 pm*
8/6-8 *National Friends Church Multiplication Conference*

Pastors Short Course will be held June 30-July 3, at Quaker Haven Camp. Registration brochures have been mailed. Please encourage your pastoral staff to take advantage of this carefully planned week of refreshment designed just for them.