

What I love about IYM!

Quakers may appear meek and mild upon first glance, so peaceful and quiet. But, as they say, still waters run deep. I have met, through my association with Indiana Yearly Meeting, some of the most courageous and steadfast people I've ever had the privilege to know. I've witnessed IYM Friends standing firm in their faith, confident in God's providence, and soldiering on when it would've been easier to quit. But onward they go, with the mighty Holy Spirit leading the way.

Moving forward together as a united body of believers takes conviction, reliance on God, and trust in one another. God honors the commitment, sacrifice, and obedience of His people. God is faithful!

All of scripture rings with God's promises of forgiveness, strength, help, and comfort. It is a great blessing to be around such trusted Friends, we should not take it for granted. I thank the Lord for this Society of Friends who display such confidence in God and in one another through their enduring patience and love. I pray for God's presence,

revelation, and anointing upon Indiana Yearly Meeting.

May we always keep Jesus in the center of our relationships. May He bless our meetings and touch us with His powerful presence, so we are renewed in the Spirit, going forward with forbearance, goodness, and inspiration.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when we were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:4)  
*Kelly Haemmerle*

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### IYM Upcoming Calendar

10/6 Program Planning Committee, IYM Office, 7:00 pm  
10/7 Westfield Area Pastors' Meeting: Hinkle Creek, 9:30 am  
10/8 Van Wert Area Pastors' Meeting: Bob Evans, 12:30 pm  
10/15 Marion Area Pastors' Meeting: White's, 9:30 am

*A reminder that  
October is  
Pastor Appreciation  
Month.*

**Fall Impact for Youth  
Spring Arbor, Michigan  
October 10-12  
Registration due by September 30.**

**Cost: \$40 plus incidentals  
Speaker: Kevin Lipsey  
Music: Pat Byers**

**Contact Brock Sizelove for more information  
at [bwsizelove@hotmail.com](mailto:bwsizelove@hotmail.com)**

**Frederick Chiropractic,**  
IYM's new tenant located next door to the IYM office, is having a Grand Opening, October 4, 11 am to 2 pm. There will be face painting, chair massages, food, and other freebies. Everyone is welcome.

**Anderson First Friends** will host Mike Haemmerle who will bring special inspirational music during their worship service, October 19, 10 am. His music has a hint of country and a whole lotta soul. Come and be blessed! Also, Anderson First Friends (along with Community Hospital) will host a neighborhood Health Fair, November 8, 10-2 pm so mark your calendars now. More information coming later.

**Bear Creek Friends** recently hosted several Quaker Haven staff members and camp director Brandon Dennis to speak at their meeting along with ten campers who shared about camp experiences. Also, Bear Creek recently recognized all those who work for school districts. Six of them mentor students through Kids Hope.

**Farmland Friends** will host Dr. Michael Barry, Sunday morning, October 26, 9 am and 10:45 am, and again that evening at 6 pm. Dr. Barry was the Director of Pastoral Care at Cancer Treatment Centers of America in Philadelphia where he specialized in the connection between spirituality and health, particularly as it relates to cancer. He has written four books, his most recent book, being *The Forgiveness Project: The Startling Discovery of How to Overcome Cancer, Find Health, and Achieve Peace* (Kregel Publishing, Grand Rapids). In it he details the spiritual and physical benefits of forgiveness, as well as teaches readers "how to forgive" based upon his years of experience in mentoring cancer patients.

**Knightstown Friends** will host a CareGivers Information Meeting, October 14, 7 pm, an evening of learning about resources for you. Topics will include: Alzheimer's Association Greater Indiana Chapter, INhouse Primary Care, Intrepid Hospice, and Intrepid Healthcare Services-Home Health Care.

**Maple Run Friends** will spend most of the day making 1100 apple crumpies on October 4. They sell for \$8, ready to bake, and proceeds will go toward missions.

**Shirley Friends**, along with three other community churches, will hold their Fall Blast VBS, October 7, 8, 9 at the Shirley-Wilkinson Community United Methodist Church, 5:30—8 pm. It will highlight "Workshop of Wonders." Everyone welcome!

**Sycamore Friends** will host Tab Beechler, a celebrated pianist/vocalist and seasoned worship leader, Sunday, October 19, 10:30 am. His six recordings and thousands of performances have brought hope, encouragement, and God's Truth to countless listeners.

**Wabash Friends Church/Counseling Center** will host their annual Live Life to the Fullest Conference (formerly known as Day of Healing) for the 22nd year, Saturday, October 25 at the Honeywell Center in Wabash. Their desire is to provide support to those who are facing difficult situations and growth to those who desire a more enjoyable and meaningful life. Their hope is that you will experience acceptance, encouragement, understanding, strength and discover new ways of being and relating. Registration, list of workshops, and other information is available at [www.wabashfriendscounseling.com](http://www.wabashfriendscounseling.com) Dr. John Townsend will be their keynote speaker. Wabash Friends phone: (260) 563-8453 fax: (260) 569-0335 toll free: 877-350-1658.

**West River Friends** will hold their Fall Pork Chop Dinner, October 4, 5-7 pm. There will be a free-will donation. For more information or carry-out orders call: 765-238-0300 or 765-489-5512.

A seminar, "Christmas Blitz," will be presented October 12, 4:30 pm at Maple Run Friends and on October 19, 6:30 pm at West River Friends. These seminars will highlight how we reach people for Christ during the holiday seasons? This is part of IYM's E&O Committee's focus to bring growth and vitality to our local meetings. Who should attend—

pastors, M&O and E&O committee members, and any member who wants to see their meetings grow. For more information or to register, please call Paul Hamrick at 419-771-9378.

**Youth Work Day** will be held October 25 at Quaker Haven. Youth, junior high and up, are invited to join in the service ministry. Outdoor tasks will be done in the afternoon, supper will be provided, then there will be a youth lesson and games. For more information, contact Brock Sizelove at [bwsizelove@hotmail.com](mailto:bwsizelove@hotmail.com).

**Winchester Quarterly Meeting** will meet at West River Friends (at the corner of 35 and 1, north of Hagerstown) on Sunday, October 19. Business will begin at 6 pm followed with worship at 6:30 pm. Paul Hamrick, pastor of First Friends in Van Wert, Ohio, will share about how to conduct a "Christmas Blitz" for outreach in the community. Snacks and fellowship will follow the worship.

**Several Work Group Meetings** were held with Indiana Yearly Meeting churches following reconfiguration this past year to get ideas from our local meetings on how to move forward as a yearly meeting. Following is a summary of your thoughts brought to these meetings:

\***Communication Needs:** Who we are, improved website

\***Education about IYM:** IYM job description/responsibilities of employees, shopping center info, financial info, committees and available services for meetings/individuals.

\***Director of Youth and Camping Ministries:** expanded youth ministry at the local level, emphasis on young adults (ages 18-40+), social networking

\***Training** of pastors, M&O responsibilities

\***Program for Estate Planning**

\***Review Quarterly Meeting structure**

\***Church Growth**

\***Develop incentives** of meetings to join IYM

\***Prayer** and more prayer

**Follow-up on these is in the works!**