

## 2017 Yearly Meeting Preview:

There was a moment, when Jesus entered the gates of Jerusalem, where the crowds joined together in the celebration of the anticipation of what was to come when Jesus arrived. In those moments, they were excited and no one wanted to miss it. Now, contrast that with our Yearly Meeting sessions. Just the mention of that probably does not get you all that excited... but in all reality it should. Last year, we were blessed to have a speaker that gave us a message that was truly from the Lord. This year will be no different as Mark Wright returns to deliver a message. It is a moment that we should get excited about. It will be a moment you won't want to miss. It should be treated as critical as the triumphant entry of the King, for it is the falling of the Holy Spirit among our gathering, united. If you do miss, you will continue to hear people talk about it for years to come. Join us for Yearly Meeting Sessions, July 27-29 at Quaker Haven, as we celebrate "Show Us Your Glory!"

Center Friends will share in Good Friday services with the community churches and will have a "SonRise" Service and breakfast, followed by regular scheduled services. Also, Center will hold a revival with Pastor Zack Kennedy and his wife Courtney, Sunday, April 30, 10:30 am and 6 pm and Monday, May 1, 7 p.m.

Charlottesville Friends will hold a revival with Jack Holliday speaking, April 30, 10:30 & 6:00, and May 1-3 at 7 pm. Fred Powers will lead the singing and Rowena Holliday will play the piano.

Dewart Lake Community Friends is hosting their annual Easter Egg-stravaganza, April 15, 10-12 am at Quaker Haven with over 1000 eggs.

Farmland Friends will present an Easter play on Good Friday and on Easter morning. "Crown of Thorns—More of the Story" will begin at 7 pm on April 14 and at 10 am on April 16. Admission is free.

Hinkle Creek Friends will hold a Good Friday service, April 14, 7:00 pm. Please join them as a short drama will be given to the music, "Arise My Love" by New Song along with other praise and worship music.

Iglesia Amigos will have an Easter Outreach event for the Hispanic community on

the east side of Indianapolis on April 15 with an Easter Egg Hunt and other activities for kids.

Jonesboro Friends is working hard on their new project of replacing flooring in their annex, kitchen, restrooms, and entrance to the sanctuary. Their youth group in doing much of the preliminary preparation before the professionals lay the tile and carpet. They are looking forward to the new, polished look.

Knightstown Friends will have a "Prayer Walk" and a Good Friday service on April 14.

Little Blue River Friends will host a 5th Sunday combined worship with Walnut Ridge and Westland Friends, Sunday, April 30, 10 am with pastor Markus Dennis speaking. A shared meal will follow. Come join us for a wonderful day of fellowship!

Shirley Friends will join other community churches for a Good Friday service, April 14, 6 pm at the Shirley Church of the Nazarene. Friends pastor, Jim Jackson, will bring the message.

Walnut Ridge Friends will host the Community Good Friday Service at 7 pm. Light refreshments will follow. Saturday, April 15, they will host a Community Easter Egg Hunt at 1 pm. Join them for a fun family event!

Westfield Friends will hold a concert, Sunday, April 30 at 5 pm with "Zion's Joy" and "A Better Day." A freewill offering will be taken. Also, Westfield's Kickapoo work crew left for Oklahoma on April 2.

West River Friends will hold their semi-annual Pork Chop Supper, Saturday May 6, 5 to 7 pm. A freewill offering will be accepted. Please join them for a wonderful meal and evening of fellowship.

The Winchester Quarterly Meeting Representatives will meet Sunday, April 30, 4 pm at Jericho Friends for the purpose of nominating members to IYM committees. Please make sure your meeting is represented and pass along any suggestions for committee appointments.

Representative Council will be held Saturday morning, April 22, at Kennard Friends at 9:30 am. Each church is asked to send your representative(s), but other interested Friends are also welcome to attend.



**Spotlight on Youth:** Rewire! Youth Invasion, April 23, 5-8 pm at Randolph Southern High School, hosted by Lynn Friends. For more information, contact Pat Byers at [pat@iym.org](mailto:pat@iym.org).

**From IYM Treasurer, Max Smith:** We have three additional meetings reporting with IYM Sunday activities and their special offerings. The 19 total meetings reporting: Amboy, Arba, Bear Creek, Center, Hemlock, Jonesboro, Long Lake, Maple Run, Portland, Rural, Shirley, South Marion, Spencerville, Vermillion, Wabash, Walnut Ridge, West River, Westfield, and White River. Our total donations and pledges—\$56,054.88, 55% of the goal for the 2018 campaign.

**Quaker Haven** will have cleanup/fixup Saturdays May 6, 20, 27. (No work on Mother's Day weekend!) A Sunday school class, a youth group, a men's group or a family could go and work together, and enjoy a meal in the dining hall. Contact the camp at [info@quakerhaven.com](mailto:info@quakerhaven.com).

**Friends Disaster Service of Indiana** will hold a "work week" in Kokomo, April 17-21. Workers can stay overnight or drive in each day—food and lodging provided, gas reimbursed with receipts. For more information contact Eldon Studer at 812 879-4236 or cell 765 346-0587 or e-mail to [Eldon.studer@yahoo.net](mailto:Eldon.studer@yahoo.net). Also, Friends Disaster Service of Indiana will hold a Celebration of the Friends Disaster Service, April 22, at Carmel Friends (651 W Main) with a social gathering at 5:30 and dinner at 6 pm and program at 7 pm. Dinner will be provided by Indiana FDS. Guest speakers will be Wiley Shore and Hugh Spauldin. A freewill offering will be used to support FDS Relief Work. Please, RSVP by April 15 by contacting Lane Sims: [pam-lane@juno.com](mailto:pam-lane@juno.com) or 317-774-0787.

**A Memorial Service for John Punshon will be held at First Friends in Richmond, 2010 Chester Blvd., Friday, April 28 at 4 pm.**

Good Morning!

He is risen! Even though we have the advantage of knowing the end of the story...the fact that Jesus rose from the dead...as we celebrate the Passion Week in the next few days, we get all aspects of the Gospel. We get the hard stuff (the arrest, the denials, the abandonment, the flogging, and ultimately the cross), and we get the beautiful stuff (the Resurrection, the appearances, the empty tomb). From death and darkness comes light and life! God putting His full measure on display!

This is also the season where we are putting the last touches on preparation for a big summer of camp programming at Quaker Haven. From Beginner's Camp for K - 2<sup>nd</sup> graders

(plus a parent) all the way to Senior High Camp (either Senior High 1 in June or Senior High 2 in July), we have a camp for all ages of youth. We also have many needs for adults who might be willing to give up some time to pour into kids as counselors. Please contact me if you are one of those adults. The biggest need, right now, is for Little Friends Camp (2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grades). Head to [qhcyouthprogram-ming.com](http://qhcyouthprogram-ming.com) to register your campers.

The reason I bring up camp now as we are heading into Easter weekend, is we also attempt to put the full measure of the Gospel of Jesus Christ on display during

our camps. Yes, we will give kids an opportunity to make a decision for Christ. *And*, we will give them safe space to be real about the hard stuff too. Our kids are dealing with a lot, and we want to give them space while they are with us at camp, to jump in with both feet and live into what God is calling them towards. We want to introduce kids to Jesus, *and* we want to help them walk with Him as well. The ultimate goal is to *be* disciples of Jesus Christ, and to *make* disciples of Jesus Christ.

- Pat Byers

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### IYM Upcoming Calendar

4/20 *Bicentennial Committee, IYM office, 6 pm*  
4/22 *Representative Council, Kennard Friends, 9:30 am*  
4/23 *Iglesia Amigos Process Committee, 3 pm at Iglesia Amigos*

Indiana USFW is sponsoring a Spring Gathering, Saturday, April 29, 10 am, at Sycamore Friends. Registration starts at 9:30. The gathering will highlight the work at the Belize Friends School with Nancy McCormick speaking. Lunch: \$10. Please send head counts to Pat Shrock, [psh613@aol.com](mailto:psh613@aol.com). New books for the reading program, Blueprints, and calendars will be available. <https://www.facebook.com/events/230275824047188/>

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Is  
Risen!!