

Communicator

IYM Preview: Registration for yearly meeting sessions will be open beginning May 14. Brochures and registration forms are being sent to past attendees and current member churches of IYM this week. These forms will also be available at www.iym.org in the next few days. Lodging fills up quickly, so we encourage you to register early. We have also reserved a block of rooms at Brook Pointe Inn for additional lodging options. You may contact Brook Pointe directly at 574-457-4466.

Hemlock Friends was the recipient of an Easter Morning breakfast served by their pastors, Rob and Brenda Schwarzee. It was a beautiful example of servanthood. Recently, a volunteer group from Hemlock gathered at Cross America in Kokomo to fold crosses that are being sent to every household in the country. It is a beautiful facility where your church may like to help. Check out their website for this worthy cause at info@crossamerica.net. They are also on Facebook.

Iglesia Amigos would welcome prayers and support for a member who has been detained and is facing probable deportation to El Salvador. In addition to holding a prayer vigil on her behalf, the church has started a fundraising campaign to help the family with detention and resettlement expenses at <https://www.gofundme.com/solidarity-with-sonia?member=140950>. Letters of encouragement can be sent to "Sonia" at Sonia Marlene Pocasangre Avilas A#8-759, Clay County Jail, 611 East Jackson St., Brazil, IN 47834. For more information email pastor.katy.moran@gmail.com.

Manantial de Vida invites you to a dinner of tacos, rice, refried beans, and other Hispanic delights to be held May 19, 5-7 pm at **Maple Run Friends**. A free-will offering will be taken.

Mooreland Friends Family Ministry Pastor, Ross Smedley and his wife Sharese, welcomed their new son, Emmett Charles Wheeler Smedley, who was born May 6 weighing 9 lb. 7 oz.

Riley Friends, as a part of its community outreach, is participating in the Greenfield "Bikes in Bloom" during the month of May, an event sponsored by Greenfield Main Street Association. You can vote for your favorite "Bikes in Bloom" bike at www.facebook.com/GreenfieldMainStreet.

Quaker Haven Camps are accepting registrations! Early-bird pricing ends May 31. To register go to <http://www.qhcyouthprogramming.com/>.

Edwin and Ruby Katherine Barker were humble servants that blessed several Friends

meetings in IYM through pastoral ministry and ministry at Quaker Haven. In their estate, they left a generous donation to Quaker Haven that will bless the ministry for years to come.

Live Life - Young Adult Camp at QHC: Just because you have graduated from high school does not mean there is not a camp for you. Over the past few years, those who program the summer youth camps at Quaker Haven have offered a weekend camp to those who are in their **20s or 30s** and want to continue to have the Quaker Haven camping experience. The weekend will feature camp games and activities (like the climbing wall), camp food, times of worship and reflection, and Biblical teaching. The dates are **June 8-10** and cost is \$50. Go to qhcyouthprogramming.com for information and to register.

News from the Advancement Committee: We are so gratified to announce that the fund-raising effort of IYM Sunday has garnered over \$13,500 toward the 2019 operating budget. We are thankful to the Lord for these rich gifts. As of Monday, May 6, we have received from our donors \$73,600 toward our goal of \$102,000. Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

Pastors Short Course will be held July 2-4 at Quaker Haven Camp. Kyle McCutcheon, an attorney with Alliance Defending Freedom, will be our speaker. Registration information will be in the mail soon.

Faith & Practice revisions have been mailed to each monthly meeting, with feedback requested by July 1. Proposed revisions can be viewed at www.iym.org.

Friends Church Multiplication Conference, August 1-3 at Barclay College, will feature special speaker Dave Ferguson a pastor, author, and president of the Exponential Conference. Register by May 1 for just \$125 per person at <http://www.barclaycollege.edu/pdf/nfcmc-information.pdf>.

Turkana Flooding: Friends may have seen news reports about devastating flooding in Kenya. Turkana is one of the places where there has been a lot of destruction, and John Moru reported that many Friends in Lokoyo Meeting have lost their homes.

Friends Ministry Training (FMT): Why Should I Consider Barclay's FMT Program? ... I am already "Recorded"!

Here are some questions that give answers!:

If a parishioner doesn't believe that Jesus is God incarnate, are you biblically prepared to answer questions and help from a Friend's perspective? If not, FMT's **Friends Theology** course can make a difference.

Can you explain the purpose and nature of the Church? If not, FMT's **Church History course is for you!

Is your church doing evangelism and growing? If not, consider enrolling in FMT for Carol Wright's course on **Evangelism, Missions, and Church Growth. Carol knows your context and has prepared a course for you and your church leadership. **Can you remember struggling to understand the application of Leviticus to your preaching of the Gospel? If so, FMT's Old Testament Survey can give you insight and clarity. (O.T. Survey returns in January 2019)

2018 Fall Schedule of Courses:

Orientation to Online Learning
(July 30-Aug 12 *required of all new Barclay students*)

Introduction to Friends Theology
(Aug 13-Sept 23)

Introduction to Church History
(Sept 24-Nov 4)

Introduction to Evangelism, Missions Church Growth (Nov 5-Dec 16)

To enroll now, go to <https://www.barclaycollege.edu/undergraduate/online/certificate/friends-ministry-training/index.html> for more information and begin the online application process. Contact Paul Cochrane if you have questions: paul.cochrane@barclaycollege.edu or 260-274-2257.

White's Residential and Family Services welcomes Rev. Rick Carder, Director of Church Engagement, Foster Care and Adoption. He can be reached at 765-603-6828 or rick.carder@whitesrfs.org. Need someone to talk to your congregation or group about White's? Rick is eager to connect with Friends in IYM.

Our Sympathy and Prayers are extended to the family of **Sandra Boone** (Wabash Friends) who passed away Thursday, April 26. Her husband, Darrell, is clerk of the IYM Faith & Practice Review Committee. We have also received word that **Ed Nicholson**, a former member of IYM, passed away April 20.

Good Morning!

What do Dale Lewis and the late Delbert Brown have in common? Both were camp directors at Quaker Haven around 45-50 years ago when I was a camper. Funny thing: years later I can still remember bits and pieces of what they said and what they did, which is especially amazing seeing that I can't remember much of what I said or did last week!

A few years ago, a major research project called the "National Study of Youth and Religion" identified three key factors that help Christian youth maintain their faith into adulthood. They are (1) parents who practice the

faith at home and in daily life, (2) at least one other significant adult mentor/friend who practices their faith seriously, and (3) at least one significant spiritual experience before the age of 17.

Do you have any youth or children in your church or neighborhood? What will they remember 50 years from now?

In just a few weeks, summer camps at Quaker Haven will begin again, and chances are 45-50 years from now there will be gray-haired grandparents remembering some of the things Pat Byers or

Brock Sizelove said or did – and the lasting impact God had on their lives through it. Hopefully they will also remember people like you who practiced their faith seriously.

Don't underestimate the impact your life is having on young people and children who will quickly grow up to be adults. And let me encourage you, too, to do all you can to encourage young people in your church to attend Quaker Haven – a great place to have at least one significant spiritual experience!

-Doug Shoemaker

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IYM Upcoming Calendar

05/15 *Committee Day, Upland Friends, 6:30 pm*
05/21 *Program Committee Conference Call, 6:30 pm*
05/29 *Trustees, IYM office, 6:30 pm*
06/04 *Executive Committee, IYM office, 6:30 pm*
06/8-10 *Young Adult Camp, Quaker Haven (ages 20-35)*
06/10-15 *Jr High Camp, Quaker Haven (ages 11-13)*
06/15-17 *Beginners Camp, Quaker Haven (ages 5-7)*
06/17-22 *Sr High Camp 1, Quaker Haven (ages 13-18)*
06/18 *Investment Board, Muncie Red Lobster, 11 am*
06/24-29 *Adventure Camp, Quaker Haven (ages 9-11)*

After 22 years of service to USFW, Tish Dain has handed over the State Treasurer position to Andrea Long. She has considered it an honor to have served. Please send gifts for the USFW- INTL projects to: Jericho Friends Meeting, 4010 E CR 100 S, Winchester, IN 47394, atten: Andrea Long. Andrea's phone # is 765-584-2700, email is along@pceaze.com. Thank you for all your continued support of our missionaries on the fields and the areas in which they work.