

**Bethel Friends** serves supper at the Grant County Rescue Mission once a month. Following the meal, pastor Doug Haag will bring a message to those at the mission.

**Hinkle Creek Friends** will celebrate its many years of ministry during "Homecoming," Sunday, October 28, at 10:30 am with Mike Haemmerle bringing special music. A meal will follow—all are invited!

**Jericho Friends will host the USFW "Harvest & Harmony"** on Saturday, November 10, 4-7 pm. "Glory Bound Quartet" will bring music at 6:30 pm, and the meal will feature homemade chicken pot pie with a salad bar and desserts (meal—freewill donation). You may shop at the "Country Store" filled with homemade treats, crafts, and much more. Proceeds will go towards mission projects.

**Knightstown Friends:** In the aftermath of the fire at the Knightstown Friends office/parsonage, their needs are bookshelves, file cabinets, desks, etc. Please contact pastor Tim Basford if you can help at 765-969-3154 or [quakerfamily@msn.com](mailto:quakerfamily@msn.com).

**Mooreland Friends** is looking for a guitarist to share in praise and worship for Sunday morning services (a non-paid position). If interested, email Ross Smedley at [mfcfamilyministry@gmail.com](mailto:mfcfamilyministry@gmail.com). Their "Ham and Bean Dinner" will be held, October 27 (4-7 pm) at the church. The "Children's Fall Party" will be Sunday, October 28 (4-7 pm) and "Trunk or Treat" will be in the parking lot, October 31 (6-8).

**Sycamore Friends** invites you to a special night, October 28, 6 pm, with Doug Shoemaker and Pat Byers, along with the vocalists and musicians from several other monthly meetings for a night of worship and encouragement. They are seeking to "fan the flames of revival" that we have been experiencing at the IYM Sessions. Pat Byers and the IYM band will lead in a time of music and worship. Doug Shoemaker will

bring a message of encouragement and hope. In addition, Brock Sizelove, from Quaker Haven Camp, will give an update on the work at QHC.

**Wabash Friends** is seeking a full-time youth pastor. Resumes can be emailed to [brandon@wabashfriends.org](mailto:brandon@wabashfriends.org). Interested parties can contact the IYM office or Wabash Friends for a full job description.

### Youth Dates

\***Fall Impact**—Quaker Haven November 2-4

\***Youth Invasion** - Knightstown (Hoosier Gym) January 13, 5-8 pm

\***Winter Sneak**—Quaker Haven February 1-3

\***Friends Summit** for young adults (ages 16-25), December 28 through January 1 in Denver, Colorado. Contact Pat Byers at the IYM office or visit [www.friendssummit.com](http://www.friendssummit.com).

### Pastor Appreciation Month

Caring for your pastor is as important as managing a healthy congregation for your members, visitors, and attendees. The Congregational Resource Guide created by the Indiana Center for Congregations recommends numerous relevant resources to support clergy health. For more information go to Congregational Resource Guide website.

### Save The Date

The Annual IYM Pastors and Spouses **Mid-Winter Retreat** will be held at the Hueston Woods Lodge, near Oxford, OH, on February 15-17. Pastors, mark your calendars now. Churches, encourage your pastors to mark their calendars now.

**Friends Disaster Service is Calling for Volunteers!** There will be a work-week at Quaker Haven, November 4-10, working on the new duplex for staff housing. The camp will provide housing and FDS and the camp will provide meals. Bring your bedding/towels. Call the camp at 574-834-4193 if you can help, even if it is just for a day.

**Apex Workshop coming soon!** Dave Phillips and Paul Cochrane invite you to

attend the upcoming Apex workshop, Saturday, October 27, 8 am-4 pm. If you have previously attended a Focused Living workshop and have experienced the incredible ways God has been shaping and calling you, Apex is the next step. Apex builds on the new purpose and meaning you found in Focused Living and helps you discover more about your unique contribution. The cost is \$40 which includes a workbook, other materials, and a light lunch. Alumni and alumnae may attend at no cost. Contact Dave Phillips to register go to [dave@wabashfriends.org](mailto:dave@wabashfriends.org).

**Friends Ministry Training Courses** are almost here! If it has been years since you have done systematic study, FMT may just be the right way to sharpen yourself and/or your church. Why not multiply your church's ministry by developing your people, too! The Winter/Spring session begins February 4 with Orientation to Online Learning. Paul Cochrane will teach **Old Testament Survey** from February 18 to March 31. This is followed by David Phillips' course, **Introduction to Pastoral Ministry** from April 1 to May 12. **Enroll Now!** Contact Paul Cochrane for more information at 260-274-2257 or [paul.cochrane@barclaycollege.edu](mailto:paul.cochrane@barclaycollege.edu).

**You are invited to a catered lunch and presentation on the history of the Underground Railroad** in Grant County—the history of resistance, free black settlements, and the work of Christian abolitionists in the area. Presenters will be Dr. Bob Priest of Taylor University and Dr. Kersten Priest of Indiana Wesleyan University. This is a part of the *Theological Research Seminars* series led by Dr. Patrick Eby of Wesley Seminary to be held Monday, November 5, 11:30-1:15. Lunch will be provided by Wesley Seminary. Registration is required to participate in lunch. Register: [abolitionlunch.eventbrite.com](http://abolitionlunch.eventbrite.com)

Good Morning!

I met my wife at a Salvation Army Camp called Hidden Falls, near Bedford, IN. We worked there for two summers, the first as counselors. The second summer, I returned as a counselor, and she was the dining room hostess. We have a lot of wonderful memories of that place.

One such memory involves Psalm 19:14 *“May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.”* The first summer we were there, we would sing this scripture as a song at the end of the program day during dismissal back to our cabins. Depending on when I would be dis-

missed any given night, I must have sung that song 20-30 times over and over. And over the course of an entire summer, possibly thousands.

At the time, I was quite annoyed with these words because they became very muted after singing them over and over. Now, they speak to me quite differently. Expanding to this entire chapter, Psalm 19 is a prayer of adoration and worship. “The heavens declare the glory of God (verse 1)... The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul (verse 7)... The fear of the Lord is pure and enduring for-

ever.” (verse 9). And, it wraps up with verse 14 at the end with David basically saying that he desires for all the words that come out of him and all the words that reside within him to be words of worship and adoration.

How much better would our lives be if we lived this all the time? Lord, “may the words of *my* mouth and the meditations of *my* heart be pleasing in your sight...” May this desire be reflected in all of us throughout IYM.

-Pat Byers

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### IYM Upcoming Calendar

10/25 *Program Committee Conference Call, 6:30 pm*  
10/30 *Trustees, IYM office, 6:30 pm*  
11/10 *Representative Council, Riley Friends (Greenfield), 9:30 am*  
11/13 *Advancement Committee, IYM office, 4 pm*  
11/15 *Pastors Toolkit, Portland Friends, 10 am*

**Our sympathy to the family of Joan Huffman, 79, wife of retired pastor of IYM, Vernon Huffman, who passed away, October 18, after a brief illness. She was a member at Bear Creek Friends where her husband last pastored, and was a devoted pastor's wife for 41 years. She is survived by her husband, three children, and several grandchildren and other family members.**