

**Portland Friends** will have a USFW Family Night Meal, September 9; Fall Festival activities, September 22; and Spiritual Renewal Retreat, October 19-21.

**Spencerville Friends** has called Howard Dudley to serve as pastor beginning September 1. Originally from IYM, he has been a student at Barclay College in recent years. His wife, Joy, is the daughter of the late Job Stagner, a long-time IYM pastor.

**Wabash Friends** will hold short-term experiences for dads and their kids. It is fun, challenging, memorable, and life changing—it's DADCAMP! K-5 Dad/Daughter(s), K-5 Dad/Son(s), Middle School (6-8th) Dad/Son(s) or Daughter(s) all will meet in the coming weeks for a great time of building relationships and growing in the Lord together.

## IYM Youth Ministry Dates:

\***Youth Invasion**—Mooresville Friends (WYM) October 14th...5-8pm

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

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

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

\***Youth Invasion**—April (Date and place TBA)

\***2019 Summer Camp**—Quaker Haven (Early Bird registration due by May 30, 2019)

**2018 Summer Camp** was an awesome summer!! We had close to 500 campers that had the opportunity to come rest, encounter Christ, and respond. It was such a joy to be a part of not only what God did at camp, but what he is going to do through decisions made this summer. To get a taste of what we did this summer, watch the highlight video below! -*Brock Sizelove* <https://www.dropbox.com/s/ar9ly53sgzrxjss/ALL%20CAMP%20HIGHLIGHTS%202018.mp4?dl=0>

**Focused Living and Apex workshops** will again be offered at Wabash Friends. Dave Phillips and Paul Cochrane will be facilitating these workshops. The cost is \$40 which includes a workbook, other materials, and a light lunch on Saturdays. Alumni and alumnae may attend at no cost.

Focused Living is scheduled for Saturday, September 22, from 8:00 to 4:00. It will also be offered on four consecutive Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30, September 18 and 25, and October 2 and 9. Apex will be held October 27 from 8:00-4:00. Contact Dave Phillips to register for the workshops or for more information.

**Friends Curriculum:** Orders are now being taken for the series of 13 lessons designed for the December 2018 – February 2019 quarter. Cost is \$5 per booklet plus postage if applicable.

**Committee Day:** New committee appointments were approved at yearly meeting and we expect a big crowd at our first “Committee Day” of the year – actually an evening – at South Marion Friends on August 21 beginning at 6:30 pm. Please plan to attend if you are on one of these committees: Evangelism & Outreach, Communications & Publications, Missions, Stewardship & Finance, Christian Education, Christian Service (formerly Peace & Christian Social Concerns), or the IYM Meeting on Ministry & Oversight.

**LDP Groups** (Leadership Development Program) are forming and we hope that two groups, (one for men, the other for women) will be offered beginning this fall. Contact the yearly meeting office if you are interested in participating or have questions.

**Golf Scramble at Quaker Haven:** The annual QHC Golf Scramble will be held September 8. There will be a shotgun start at 2 pm with an awards banquet at approximately 6:30 pm. It is \$75 per golfer, which includes cart, and the banquet that follows. The goal of this scramble is to raise money for their capital fund. The different ways you can contribute to this event are as follows: Banquet Sponsor, \$300; Hole Sponsors, \$100; Refreshment Cart Sponsor, \$100; Cart Sponsorship, \$20. If you, or your church, would like to contribute, please contact Brock Sizelove at [brock@quakerhaven.com](mailto:brock@quakerhaven.com) or 765-618-8042.

**USFW Fall Retreat** - September 10-11, 2018 Quaker Haven Camp - Cost \$75. The theme this year is Great is thy Faithfulness and the speaker is Kelly Haemmerle who will share her testimony of hope, redemption, and victory through Jesus Christ.

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## Words from Abroad

**\*\*from Shawn and Katrina McConaughy, Program Officers for FUM Africa Ministries, Kisumu, Kenya:** *Dear Friends, Thank you! We are so very grateful for your kind and generous support of our work here in Kenya. . . We are getting acclimated to all sorts of very new-to-us relationships, duties, customs, and climate. Also, we love getting to know Friends here—they have loved and cared for us in big ways. We have been to Turkana and plan to get to Samburu later this month. Thanks again for your support. It means a lot to us. It is one of the many ways we see God at work here. We sense God protecting, guiding, and loving us on a regular basis.*

**\*\*from Robert and Nancy Wafala, Principal of Friends Theological College:** *Dear Friends, The FTC faculty, staff, and students send you greetings. Nancy and I write our appreciation to all of you for your continued commitment to our FTC ministry. There are high spirits within the Quaker community in Kenya because of this ministry. May God bless each of you.*

**\*\*from Mac and Berny McDonald, pastor and Co-Directors of Mesquakie Friends Church:** *In August we will be celebrating our third year at Mesquakie Friends. It seems that recently opportunities to grow closer in relationships have begun to reveal themselves. We are overjoyed to take active rolls in the lives of the people we serve. We ask that you join us in prayer that God, the Creator, will continue to open doors for these opportunities.*

**\*\*from Brad Wood, Director at Kickapoo Friends Center:** *Thank you so much for your support for the Kickapoo Friends Center and our family. There are many times when we feel overwhelmed by the work that needs to be done but we are so grateful that the Lord provides and strengthens us to the task at hand. I am often amazed how God gives us opportunity after opportunity to share the Gospel with native people of many different tribes.*

Good Morning!

Being a musician (or at least acting like one, at times), the word *volume* tends to come up quite a bit. Is it too loud? Not loud enough? Can we hear the singer over the drums? That old pipe organ can really pump out some *volume*!

This has me thinking about that inner voice that speaks to us from time to time. This is the voice that motivates us to do or to be certain things. And is that voice really the voice of Jesus, or is it my own voice? I really want to believe it is Jesus.

That's where we come back to volume. If I

am at the 'sound board' that controls that inner volume, and I get to decide which voice, my own or that of Christ, gets turned up or turned down... am I placing those volume levels correctly? I *want* to turn down the volume on my own voice, and I *want* to turn up the volume on the voice of Christ. But, am I always getting that right?

As we experienced Christ in such a powerful and meaningful way through our IYM Sessions a few weeks back, I feel now is a time to really check that volume. We can easily leave the experi-

ences we had together behind, as we move into the next phase of our year or calendar. I think if we are really going to head to the places God is calling us as a Body of Believers, we might need to linger in that space for a while. We may need to really be thinking hard about where we are setting the volume.

How might God be using the experience of worship, prayer, celebration, etc. at IYM Sessions this year to spur you into a place where you can get the volume set correctly? *-Pat Byers*

<sup>11</sup> *The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake.* <sup>12</sup> *After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.* <sup>13</sup> *When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.* **1 Kings 19:11-13**

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### IYM Upcoming Calendar

08/21 *Committee Day, South Marion Friends, 6:30 pm*  
08/31-9/03 *Family Camp, Quaker Haven*  
09/06 *Advancement Committee, IYM office, 4 pm*  
09/10 *Executive Committee, IYM office, 6:30 pm*  
09/17 *Bicentennial Committee, IYM office, 7 pm*

IYM Office Secretary Betty Ison and her husband, Tom, will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary August 24. Congratulations, Tom & Betty!

**Quaker Haven upcoming activities:** August 31-September 3—Family Camp; September 8—Golf Scramble; September 13-16—Quilt Camp; October 4-7—Scrapbooking Retreat.