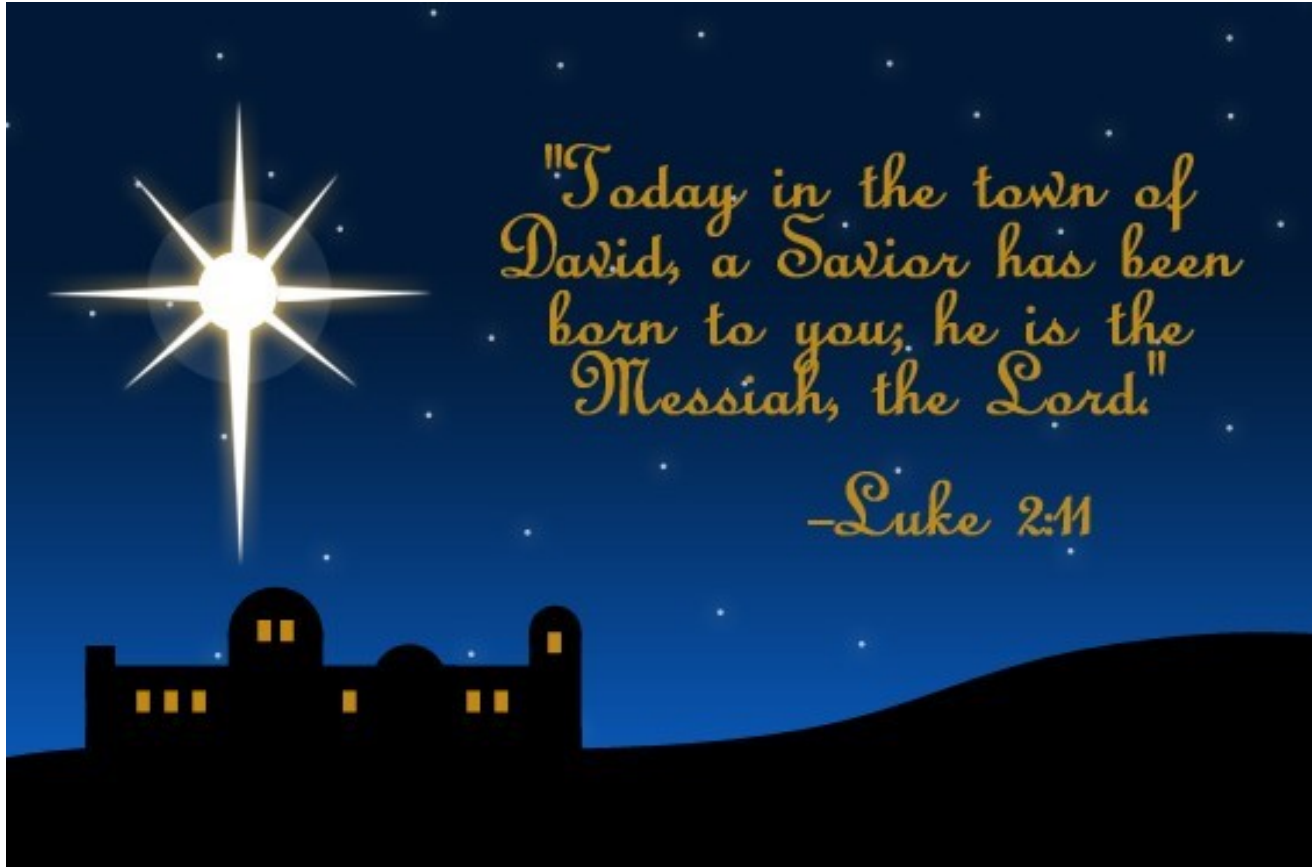


December 2017

THE IOWA FRIEND

Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends



May the wonder and awe of the magnificent gift of Christ
Jesus fill your hearts and homes this Christmas.

Merry Christmas!

Tom Showalter Scott Biddle Mary Thury

Chip and Alicia Daleske

Mac and Berny McDonald

Did 50 Days of Prayer awaken a desire for more of the Holy Spirit?

Then join us as we create time and space for the Holy Spirit to move among us.



Unprogrammed Worship

February 24, 1:00 p.m.
Grinnell Friends Church

Everyone Welcome!

Sponsored by IaYM M & C

Save the Date!

Follow-up Workshops:

Deeper with the Spirit

To be offered March 2018-Feb. 2019

Deeper with the Spirit 3-Hour Workshops

Date	TOPIC
March 24 (after Spring Body 2:00)	Surrender, Sanctification & Friends Baptism
April 14 9:30 a.m.	Hearing God
June 16 9:30 a.m.	Open Worship and Friends Communion
Sept. 8 9:30 a.m.	Spiritual Gifts (1 Corinthians 12 and Romans 12)
October 6 9:30 a.m.	Praying with others for Healing
November 10 9:30 a.m.	Roadblocks to Hearing God
Jan. 12, 2019 9:30 a.m.	Marketplace Ministry
Feb. 9, 2019 9:30 a.m.	Equipping Ministry & Leadership Gifts

Participants should plan to attend all eight workshops, if possible, because the content will build from one workshop to the next. There will be a reading list with one book to read in preparation for each workshop.

Year-End Giving Opportunities

Yearly Meeting Stewardship

By Allen Smith

Referring to the Addendum in the advance reports, Stewardship Clerk Allen Smith presented the challenge to members of Iowa Yearly Meeting (IAYM) to commit personal financial support of the budget. The reality is that additional assistance from individual members is needed or IAYM is at risk in using up residual funds and eventually be unable to fully fund the budget. The retained earning/contingency fund is necessary to continue a Godly stewardship approach to our budget. We do not want to approach that fine line of tempting God to meet our needs vs. trusting God to do the same! "We have agreed to a budget and need to do all we can, by the grace and blessings of God and for His glory, to support that budget."

Gifts for IAYM Staff

Wes Blanchard—Pastors Association

What do Tom Showalter, Scott Biddle, Chip & Alicia Daleske, Mac & Berny McDonald, and Mary Thury have in common?

They all love and serve God, and minister faithfully through the work of Iowa Yearly Meeting—on campus at William Penn, at Camp Quaker Heights, at Mesquakie Friends Center, and through the Main Office. These Friends serve to meet the needs of individuals and churches throughout Iowa Yearly Meeting. This Christmas, consider sending a gift of joy and appreciation to our staff. Checks can be mailed to:

Wes Blanchard, Iowa Pastors Association Treasurer, 12172 150th Avenue, Indianola, IA 50125.

All gifts will be divided equally, as per our testimony of equality. Thank you!

My Delegation to Iraqi Kurdistan

By: Nate Perrin—Pastor of Valton Friends

God has taken me on quite the soul-stretching, faith-growing adventure this summer. Although it is difficult for me to discuss and talk about because of the emotions surrounding my trip, I know that God has called me to discuss this. I pray that your heart is open as well and that the Holy Spirit convicts you to at least pray. On September 10th through the 23rd, I went on a peace delegation with Christian Peacemaker Teams to Iraqi Kurdistan. Christian Peacemaker Teams, or CPT, is a human rights report group inspired by Mennonite pacifist theology - although any denomination can work with them. Despite many warnings from people, I knew that God was taking me to somewhere unique and special. CPT's main work is working with villages along the border that have been getting bombed from Turkey and Iran. It is intentional violence against the Kurdish people. Violence against Kurdish villages started to escalate more and more during our delegation, although we did not see this violence first hand....



To read Nate's article go the IAYM Christian Social Concerns Blog: www.fieldsofjustice.org



MISSION BOARD'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Iowa Yearly Meeting Mission's Board is offering a college scholarship of up to \$1000 for the 2018-19 academic school year. **People within Iowa Yearly Meeting who want to pursue an education at a Christian college or an accredited college or seminary to prepare for full time mission's work with a Friend's organization** may contact the Mission's Board to receive an application. For the scholarship, please contact the Yearly Meeting office for more information.

The deadline is March 1, 2018



TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now being taken for a \$500 college scholarship to be distributed in the 2nd semester of the 2018-2019 academic school year (January of 2019). College students within Iowa Yearly Meeting are encouraged to seek an application through the Yearly Meeting Office.

Deadline for this scholarship is

January 1, 2018

A recipient will be determined at Spring Body 2018.

Iowa United Society of Friends Women (USFW)

William Penn University Scholarship Fund

Guidelines

Following are guidelines for the selection of candidates for this scholarship. The Scholarship committee shall consider applications for scholarships and make decisions as to recipients.

1. The amount of the scholarship will be determined by need of the applicant and by funds available.
2. The candidate shall be a participating member of Iowa Yearly Meeting.
3. A candidate from the Yearly Meeting shall have successfully completed secondary education requirements and shall have been accepted by William Penn University.
4. **Applications must be received by January 31st, 2018**
5. To be considered for a scholarship for the succeeding academic year, recipients must submit a request to the committee each year.
6. Scholarships shall only be awarded for a maximum of four (4) academic years.

William Penn University Ministries

IAYM Missions Board

Campus Ministry is alive and well at William Penn University! There are so many activities for a student to be involved in that he or she must choose. These are all connected together by the Campus Ministry Committee which consists of student leaders and the following: Pastor James Tower, Prof. Ron Bryan, Prof. Jeanne Marshall, Scott Bidle, Tom Palmer and Seth Hedman. This year's campus ministry grad assistant is Chuck Sellers.

William Penn shares Seth and Jodie Hedman with Central College. They are fulltime staff with InterVarsity which gives our students contact with that campus and the large InterVarsity family. This includes state and national conferences and a weekly leadership development meeting. This group meets on Tuesday evenings.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is connected to a worldwide movement as well. William Penn places a heavy emphasis on athletics so this is a vital ministry. FCA meets on Wednesday night and has a contact list of over 100 students. Tom Palmer is the huddle leader and receives excellent help from the regional director, Gary Gravert, each week.

The newest group on campus is Team Christ (TC). This began under Spencer Thury's ministry and has grown since then. They have organized Bible studies on campus for Friday and Saturday evenings. On Sundays TC either has another Bible study/prayer group or an afternoon campus worship event once a month. This features students leading worship and speaking.

This year students wanted an evening worship service so Campus Worship is on Thursday evening with various students leading and Pastor James giving support. This includes a full meal provided by community members.

There is also a week-day worship on Thursday s at 11:10 a.m. This is organized by the faculty and also has a meal provided by the faculty or community. Week-day worship is the one time when faculty and students worship together.

All of this has attracted many students and there are some outstanding young leaders at William Penn. There is a religion minor and talk about reinstating a religion major. Your prayers and support of William Penn Campus Ministry is greatly appreciated. Should enough funds be available, the University and many of its supporters would like to provide a Campus Minister again. Present giving goes to support this programming and the salary of the graduate assistant. Contributions may be directed through Dorothy Taylor for WPU Campus Ministry.

Dorothy Taylor
1121 Parkway Dr. Apt. 1
Boone, IA 50036

Mesquakie Friends Church

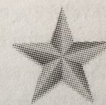
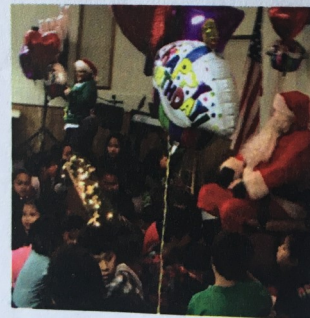
REMINDER:

Wed., Dec. 13 - Please have monetary donations to Mac and Berny McDonald for the gift bags for the

Mesquakie Friendly Kidz

Christmas party on Dec. 20.

It was just the other day (October 2nd) we saw our first Christmas commercial on TV! It may see a little early, however, we are planning a Birthday Party for Jesus! Our plan is to send each of our Friendly Kidz home with a gift bag. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Planning for approximately 80 kids from Kindergarten thru 8th grade—blessed with a few extra for Christmas.



Creator,
Open our
Hearts to peace
And healing between
All people.
Creator, open
Our hearts to provide
And protect for all children
Of the earth.
Creator, open our hearts to respect
For the earth and all the gifts of the earth
Creator, open our heart to end exclusion, violence
And fear among all. Thank you for the gifts of this day
And
Every
Day.
Mi'Kmaq Prayer



IAYM Youth Ministries

2017/18

I'm single-minded

IN PURSUIT

*of you; don't
LET ME MISS
the road signs
you've posted.*

Psalms 119:10

IAYM.org Youth Ministries

January 26th

winter jam

February 9th

Blizzard Blast

MARCH 9th-11th

ignite

June 8-10



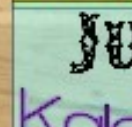
LITTLE TINY

June 10-15



Middle/High School

June 17-22



Kaleo Academy

June 24-28



Elementary

July 13-19

Chicago Mission Trip

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January

- **January 10-17, 2018: Quaker Men-Friends Response Team Trip to Belize**

February

- February 17, 2018: **Quaker Men's Winter Banquet**
- **February 9-10: Blizzard Blast**
- **February 24:** Unprogrammed Worship/revival @ Grinnell Friends

March

- March 3, 2018: **Board on Coordination (BOC)** Meeting
- March 24, 2018: **Spring Body Meeting** (Location to be Determined)

July

- July 18-22, 2018: **Youth and Young Adult Board** sponsored trip to Chicago
- July 25-28th **Yearly Meeting Conference**



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**