

June 2022



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IOWA YEARLY MEETING

The Iowa Friend + Yearly Meeting Details!

Kick-off BBQ in the Park

Wednesday, July 27th, 5pm
Yearly Meeting Park (across from church)
Join us for a simple meal of

BBQ burgers/hotdogs
Chips
Fresh Fruit
Pop/Water
\$5 per person—payable at event

Opening Worship at College Avenue Friends
6:30 pm
Speakers: Kaleo Staff

**SMOKEY
ROW** Coffee Co.
good coffee. good people.



After Service Fellowship

Tickets will be
provided for a treat
at

Smokey Row Coffee
Downtown Oskaloosa



Calling All Friends!

In just a few weeks, we will be gathering in Oskaloosa, Iowa for our annual sessions. The rhythm of gathering to worship, fellowship, and celebrate has been deeply embedded in the ethos of who we are for 160 years. Over those years, however, other responsibilities and activities have kept some Friends from participating in this assembly. That being said, I think one of the many lessons we have learned in recent years is that being together is vital to our well-being and is indeed the lifeblood of our movement's ability to engage our neighborhoods, communities, and the world with the full Gospel of Jesus.

Let us begin anew this year with a grand celebration of all that God has done through our history while agreeing together that the work is far from finished. God is still on the move in Iowa Yearly Meeting. Each of you is essential to the kingdom work ahead of us. We need the fullness of the Body of Christ, IAYM to engage in this next season of life and service. Join us July 27-30 and let us once again gather to be edified, encouraged, and recommissioned for the journey ahead of us. We are IAYM—One Church!

Look for information and registration details starting June 8.

Manny Garcia—General Superintendent

Visit growIAYM.org
Find on-line registration, workshops details, schedules,
speaker information!



Golf Cart Transportation

Meals on Thursday and Friday will be served at the cafeteria in the Student Union. There is time built into the schedule so that folks can walk between location.

We will also have Golf Cart Transports available before and after meals! This will aid in going to and from the Musco Technology Center and the Student Union.



MISSIONS BANQUET

Location: Musco Technology Center

Time: Served at Noon

When: July 30th, 2022

Cost: \$20 per person

Guest speaker Kelly Kellum



**“Cultivating Seeds of New Life
A new paradigm for Global Ministries”**

Menu:

Apricot glazed Turkey

Vegetarian Stuffed Peppers with Herbed Tomato Sauce

Rice Pilaf

Balsamic Herb-roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potato Bar served with:

Country Brown Gravy, shredded cheddar cheese,

Chopped scallions, toasted pecans, fried onion crisps

Desserts are: Assorted Pies and Cookies & Brownies

Served with Unsweetened Ice Tea and Lemonade



Lloyd M. Patterson, age 99, of Oskaloosa died Monday, May 2, 2022 (just a week shy of his 100th birthday) He was born May 9, 1922, in Maxwell, Iowa, the son of Lloyd Newman and Neva Elizabeth Weaver

Patterson. He graduated from East High School in Cleveland, Ohio in 1940. Following high school, he enrolled at Iowa State College in the Forestry Program. In 1943 he enlisted in the United States Navy. on May 14, 1944, Patricia Pierce was united in marriage to Lloyd.

He had been a member of the College Avenue Friends Church where he served in various roles including Custodian of the Records for the Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends and served as the sexton for the Friends Cemetery in Oskaloosa. He was a talented photographer and enjoyed teaching photography to 4-H groups and adults.



Robin Gray, 72 of Searsboro passed away September 24, 2021. William Robert “Robin” Gray was born on December 5, 1948 to William and Mae Meredith Gray in Steubenville, OH. Robin graduated from Lynnville-Sully High School in 1967 and graduated from William Penn College in 1971.

Robin and Nancy Miller were married on September 16, 1972 and lived in the Grinnell and Washington, Iowa areas. They had 2 daughters, Jennifer and Susie.

Robin was a member of Grinnell Friends for nearly 50 years. He loved being outdoors and spending time with his family.

Daniel Francis Konic was born January 9, 1951 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota to Philip & Mary Kathleen (Wright) Konic. He grew up in Sioux Falls and attended Sioux Falls College and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Criminology. He was the head jailer at the Minnehaha County Jail during the American Indian Movement clashes in 1975. He was a Veteran and served in the National Guard during Viet Nam.

He moved to Virginia in the 1980s and began his career as a Commercial Form Work Carpenter. He built custom forms for high rise buildings, large parking garages, the Bengals Football Stadium, and grain elevators throughout the east and midwest.

He returned to Sioux Falls to help take care of his mother and other family members. He met his wife Trish while she was a pastor in Iowa and they married on November 14, 1993.

After their marriage he was a great supporter of his wife Trish and her ministry. He loved to read the Psalms and other scriptures, and practice his gift of mercy. He was willing to help anyone in need.

He loved to hunt, especially pheasants. He found new hunting buddies in his step-sons and they had several good adventures. He also liked to travel and toured the Holy Land twice and took several cruises with his wife, Trish.

Turkana Update

by Rita Davis,
for Iowa
Yearly Meeting
Missions*



Because we can turn on a faucet when we are thirsty, and drink safely without a second thought, it is hard for us to identify with the critical need for water filters in order to maintain our health. That remains a reality for our Friends in Turkana, though there has been some improvement in availability of biosand filters to provide clean safe drinking water.

Other challenges in Turkana include the “forceful acquisition of land by a government agency of Highway construction, which picked out a weakness in the constitution of Kenya that classifies Turkana land as Community land, to carve out portion of church plot in Lodwar, to construct a public truck park.”

Inflation has been a source of stress as well, and staff wages have not increased to accommodate that challenge. Ongoing costs of schools, health services, and need for additional pastors in the area are other challenges.

Successes have been in providing income for staff, rotating pastoral training opportunities, supporting the high school education of 28 girls and “training of women and formation of empowerment groups” (funded by Right Sharing of World resources) and relief food to monthly meetings (assisted by FUM).



John Moru’s leadership is assisted by a new Mission Director Peter Eman Loteng’an who serves in administrative efforts in the Turkana mission work. A thanksgiving service and “colorful prayer meeting” was held in

January 2022 to honor John and Grace Moru for their service “through songs, dance and gifts.”



Looking “forward to actualize the Mobile Clinic Project” by finalizing its proposal, the facelift of old mission buildings, acquiring title deeds for church property to avoid another

land grab by the government, physical improvement of office space and furnishings, and revival of spiritual programs that have been laid aside during the pandemic, and hiring more pastors for service in new areas are priorities in the Turkana mission. It is notable that Dr. Robert Wafula, principal of FTC has also prioritized “training pastors among the Turkana communities of northern Kenya, the most arid land in the country.”

**This information was gleaned from a March 2022, Turkana Friends Mission brief report to the FUM Board, by Peter Eman Loteng’an and an article by Dr. Robert Wafula in the May-June 2022 Advocate (a USFWI publication)*



WORKSHOP

Recovered Addicts, Uncovered Ministry

—Robert Radcliff, Riverside Friends

Navigating our Digital World

presented by the Kaleo Staff

Living and Giving and Saving in Turbulent Times

Everence Lyle Miller

The 5 'R's of Spiritual Formation

Kay Wilson, Sturgeon Bay Friends

This workshop will be offered 2 parts!

Living Letters to Tanzania -Kelly Kellum

Mission Work Updates with OMF

Nathan Martin

Worship Arts: How Preparation & Planning Can Support Spirit Inspired Worship

Jared Harvey – Worship Ministry



Guest Speakers

Katy Moran and
Brockie Follette



Worship Leaders

Jared & Catherine Harvey from
Northridge Friends Church in
Wichita, KS



Manny Garcia, General Superintendent,
will lead our Friday evening
Celebration Service.

Mission's Banquet Speaker

Kelly Kellum

General Secretary of FUM



Oscar Mmbali

Pastoral Ministry at Belize City Friends.
He will lead our morning devotions.



All youth registered with their
parents stay free at the dorms and
have free meals on campus with
their families!

Youth 6th-12 Grade Led by Sarah Radcliff

Come to Yearly Meeting to be inspired by people's stories and to share some of your own story. Be inspired on what the bigger community of friends is doing. Dig in with us to have good conversations like why would God test us? Isn't life hard enough?

Please prepare to bring clothes to possibly get wet in, tennis shoes for active games, a board game that you enjoy, sun scree/bug spray, and the funniest shirt you own!

Nursery (through age 4) Available at College Avenue Friends. Please preregister so we can secure appropriate staffing.

Children ages 4-5th grade are invited to join College Avenue's VBS program at the Yearly Meeting Park. Lunch and snacks are provided at the program.

Hours of program are 8:15 am drop off time

Thursday & Friday 4:30 pm pick up time

Saturday 8:15—2 pm

Pre-registration is REQUIRED for this event!

Information needed at registration: Names and ages of children, medical or dietary needs, any allergies, contact info for parent/guardian, and days & times needing care.

