



Western Work

July, 2010

News of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church

Co-Superintendents' Bible Study, Ephesians 4:15, 16

Steve & Marlene Pedigo

This summer at Western Yearly Meeting we have the opportunity to hear Terry Wallace, this year's Quaker Lecturer, on Sunday afternoon, August 1, 2:30 p.m. Friends United Press has recently re-printed a book he edited, *A Sincere and Constant Love, an Introduction to the Work of Margaret Fell*. Margaret Fell, and her husband, George Fox, fervently declared the power of Christ Jesus to transform lives. Their ministry helped to establish the Religious Society of Friends. Early Friends also realized that transformed lives were a powerful witness to the world around them. The ministry of the gathered meeting helped individuals to hear the Gospel message and grow in truth. Friends learned to "speak the truth in love" so that all might grow up into Christ, the Head of the Church.

How does truth fare in Western Yearly Meeting?

"All that desire godliness and the truth as it is in Jesus, they must turn from them that have the form and deny the power, who bring forth the fruits before mentioned, for as many as receive Christ Jesus (the Light), to them He gives power to become the Sons of God. It is the word of His power by which all things were created, by which He upholds all things. It is His power that brings His seed out of bondage and out of the house of darkness. The gospel of our Jesus Christ which the apostle was not ashamed of to preach, is the power of God unto salvation, unto every one that believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." (2 Timothy 3:5, John 1:9-13, Romans 1:16)

[*A Sincere and Constant Love, An Introduction to the Work of Margaret Fell*, Edited by Terry Wallace, pp. 66-67]

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church

153rd Annual Sessions --- July 30 – August 2, 2010

We hope you will join us this summer for the 153rd Annual Sessions of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church. All Friends are encouraged to pre-register this year by July 15. You may obtain a registration form from the WYM Website: www.westernym.net.

Friday, July 30, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. – Registration & Unprogrammed Worship
- 8:30 a.m. – New Attender Orientation
- 9:00 a.m. – Opening Minute & Bible Study – **Bob Stubbs, Phil 4:4**
- 10:00 a.m. – Business Meeting
- 12:00 noon – Lunch
- 2011 FUM Triennial Representatives Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. – Business Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. – Dinner
- WYM Pastors Dinner at the Golden Corral
- 7:00 p.m. – Multi-Generational Worship, WYM Youth Cabinet
- 9:00 p.m. – Desserts & Fellowship

Saturday, July 31, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. – Training/Recording Fund Raiser Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. – Unprogrammed Worship
- 9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship & Bible Study - **Jason Grant – Phil 4:5**
- 10:00 a.m. – Business Meeting
- 12:00 noon – Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Workshops
- 3:00 p.m. – CM&E Workshop: Everyone Encouraged to Attend
- 5:00 p.m. – USFW Tea & Quaker Men Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. – Missions Program – USFW & Quaker Men

To register for housing, please contact Baymont Inn in Plainfield, Indiana, (317) 837-9000 and state you are with "Western Yearly Meeting"
The group rate is \$67.00 plus tax per night. This discount is available until June 30, 2010.

Sunday, August 1, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. – Training/Recording Fund Raiser Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. – Unprogrammed Worship
- 9:00 a.m. – Sunday School (all ages)
- USFW/Quaker Men – *Adults*
- Central Area – *Children*
- 10:30 a.m. – Morning Worship – **Della Stanley-Green, Phil 4:6**
- 12:00 noon – Young Friends' Fund Raiser Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. – Memorial Service – **Marilynn Bell**
- 2:30 p.m. – Quaker Lecture – **Terry Wallace**
- 5:00 p.m. – Dinner
- Earlham Gathering
- 7:00 p.m. – Unprogrammed Worship

Monday, August 2, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. – Unprogrammed Worship
- 9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship & Bible Study – **Jeff Wolfe, Phil. 4:7**
- 10:00 a.m. – Business Meeting
- 12:00 noon – Lunch (*on your own if needed*)
- 1:00 p.m. – Business Meeting
- Closing Worship
- Concluding Minute

Ministry Leadership Classes

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church is pleased to announce the continuation of the Barclay College Advantage Satellite Campus for 2010-2011. The 2010 fall class schedule includes:

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| July 23-24 & July 30-August 2 | Christian Church History & Ministry (Lou Herchenroeder) |
| August 20-21 & Sept. 10-11 | Wisdom Literature (CG White) |
| September 24-25 & Oct. 22-23 | Pauline Epistles (Marlene Pedigo) |
| November 12-13 & Dec. 10-11 | Systematic Theology I (Mike Thornburg) |

Western Yearly Meeting has approved providing tuition scholarships for those individuals who are currently in the Training & Recording process. However, if you are a Bible study leader, Sunday School teacher, youth leader, or pastor interested in these continuing education learning opportunities please feel free to consider enrollment for these classes. To take a class and receive credit, the cost is \$150 per credit hour. The cost to audit a class is \$150. The 2011 spring classes includes: Old Testament Prophets, Systematic Theology II, Biblical Evidences, and Spiritual Formation. If you would like to donate towards the fund to provide scholarships, please send your contribution to Western Yearly Meeting, Box 70, Plainfield, IN 46168 and indicate in the Memo this is for the WYM Scholarships.

For more information about these classes, please contact the WYM Office (317) 839-2789. To register online: www.barclaycollege.edu.

Prayer Requests

- Quaker Haven Camp Ministry
- United Society of Friends Women International Triennial, July 1-4
- Friends United Meeting General Board Meetings, July 9-11
- Western Yearly Meeting, July 30-August 1

Choctaw Friends Center Needs

The Choctaw Friends Center as asking for donations of backpacks for students this fall filled with the following items: notebooks, notebook paper, pens, pencils, markers, pocket Bibles, rulers and glue. There is a special need for backpacks for young children. Teacher packs should include the above items but please add an **electric pencil sharpener** for their class rooms. Schools starts on August 9, so please send them to the center as soon as possible: MOWA Choctaw Friends Center, 66 Academy Lane, McIntosh, AL 36553.

USFW

Mission Service

Western Yearly Meeting USFW & Quaker Men Missions Service will be held on Saturday, July 31, at 7:00 p.m. in the Western Yearly Meeting Room. This year's speaker is Pat Shrock. An offering will be received with half for Lindi School of Kibera in Nairobi, Kenya and half for the Belize Boys School Scholarships. Pat will recently have returned from the USFWI/QMI Triennials in Kenya.

Fall Conference

Westfield Friends will host the USFW Fall Conference with assistance from Hortonville and Sheridan Friends on Saturday, September 25, 2010.

Statistical Report

Deaths

Carl Bennett, b. – 7.5.1965 d. – 6.16.2010

Carl Bennett attended First Friends Kokomo and served as a pastor of Carmel Friends. He is survived by his wife, Sheri, and their two children Hannah and Ethan. You may send cards to Sheri at: 107 Silver Sage Place, Homedale, Idaho 47360 and donations to the Homedale Friends Community Church Building Fund, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder, IN 83676. For more information: www.flahiffuneralchapel.com/index.cfm.

Missions Update

Working Together for Haiti

Friends Outreach Board would like to encourage everyone to join us in sewing dresses and shorts for boys and girls in Haiti. How many children could we provide new clothes for if we all worked together? Boys: Any elastic waist shorts pattern, made from light weight cottons. Girls: Light weight cotton dresses, the girls shoulders must be covered, so the dresses need to at least have cap sleeves. Any simple dress pattern with short or cap sleeves will be great or you can contact Florence Emma Peery for the pattern she has been using. Encourage your church to make dresses and shorts and then bring them with you to Yearly Meeting. We will display all of the shorts and dresses that are donated. Please consider donating \$1 per item to help cover the cost of shipping. There will also be pattern templates available for you to trace at Yearly Meeting for those who don't work on the project ahead of time. In a future Western Work we will tell you about the Health Kits your Meeting can put together and bring to Yearly Meeting for children in Haiti.

2010 Special Project, Adopt-a-Nurse

The WYM Outreach Board 2010 Special Project is "Adopt-a-Nurse," salaries for nurses at Kaimosi Hospital in Kenya. The goal is to raise \$10,000. There is a great need for qualified nurses and the only way to attract them and keep them is if they are paid regularly. If each area could raise at least \$1,000 we could reach this goal! A Power Point presentation is available through the WYM Office, and speakers are available by contacting Candi McDonald, (317) 773-9034.

Collection Projects for WYM

The Outreach Board requests that you collect empty pill bottles, cancelled postage stamps, and Campbell soup labels to bring to the 2010 Western Yearly Meeting Sessions.

FUM Summer Mission Project Goal --- \$10,000

Friends United Meeting encourages church Vacation Bible Schools to consider donating to provide clean water to villages in Kenya. It costs roughly \$60 for a bio-sand water filter and about \$2,500 for a borehole in western Kenya.

Sam & Becky Barber

WYM Friends are invited to Friends United Meeting, 101 Quaker Hill Drive, in Richmond to hear Sam & Becky Barber on "Tune In Tuesday" for an evening simple meal and program to learn more about FUM's ministry in Belize. RSVP with FUM at (765) 962-7573.

Christian Education Opportunities

Youth Cabinet

The Youth Cabinet Road Show will provide a Multi-Generational Worship Service on July 30.

Young Adult Connections

Western Yearly Meeting Young Adults are invited to the next Connections Meeting on Sunday, June 27, 3-6 p.m. at Westfield Friends. For more information contact Mariya Jones, (317) 839-2789.

2010 Quaker Haven Camp

Senior High II, July 11-16

Lift up this summer's camping ministry in prayer as we look at our theme:

iGod; the only thing you need!

*Jesus answered,
"I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father
Except through me."
John 14:6*

Yearly Meeting Sunday School

Friends are invited to yearly meeting Sunday School hour to hear the report from those who will be traveling to Kenya during the month of July for the USFWI Triennial and the FUM General Board Sessions. This will be an opportunity to learn of the recent development among Friends in Kenya. Children Sunday School will be provided by Central Area Friends.

News Among Friends

Attention all WYM Youth and Youth Leaders!

You are invited to come to Danville on Sunday, July 11 from 4-6 p.m. to do some much-needed pre-work before our mission work for WYM. We'll be meeting at Cypress Gardens, the Hendricks County Home, to begin our work which we'll finish during WYM Sessions. The home is located at 865 East Main Street, Danville, IN, next to the Hendricks County Sheriff's Department. Afterwards, we'll head down to Danville Friends Church for pizza and drinks! All Youth and Youth Groups are invited, including their adult sponsors who we need as well. Please contact Susann Estle-Cronau at jsestle-cronau@sbcglobal.net (even that day!) so we can plan our pizza numbers. Looking forward to seeing you a lot in July!

Young At Heart Camp

Western Yearly Meeting Friends, 55 years of age or older, are invited to Young at Heart Quaker Haven Camp on August 9-12, with John and Jean Myers as Directors. Devotional speaker is Keith Huffman. Activities include: basket making with John Kinsinger (if interested, bring a Cool Whip container for the lining of a cracker basket), an art demonstration called the "Savior" from Adam Ross, student at Indiana Wesleyan University, pontoon boat rides, SonRise Ministries musical concert, and ice cream sundaes. Cost is \$110 per person, without lodging \$75; one-day cost: \$30 (includes lunch & dinner). You may register by contacting Quaker Haven Camp: 111 EMS D 16 C Lane, Syracuse, IN 46567, (574) 834-4193, or e-mail info@quakerhaven.com.

WYM Memorial Service

All monthly meetings are reminded to submit their current Memorial Reports to the Western Yearly Meeting Office by July 1, 2010 for names to be included in the bulletin of the Western Yearly Meeting Memorial Service.

Volunteers Needed for Yearly Meeting Annual Session

Volunteers are needed for set-up on Tuesday, July 27, @ 9:00 a.m. and for clean-up on Tuesday, August 3 @ 9:00 a.m. Call Frances Kinsey if you can help (317) 758-5331.

Pastoral Openings

- Bloomingdale Friends
- Hopewell Friends
- New Salem Friends

Work Crew to New Orleans

Gale Stutz, Associate Pastor of Indianapolis First Friends, organized a youth work crew to New Orleans in June.

Board Workshops, 8/1/2010

Intergenerational Programming - CE

"Young men and maidens, old men and children. Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens." (Ps. 148:12-13) Intergenerational programming can benefit the entire Meeting if you are willing to explore the dynamics of the generations. This can be an uncomfortable, yet truly fulfilling commitment. We'll have fun looking at different generational quirks and worldviews and have some practice at planning intergenerational programming. All ages welcomed and needed for this workshop! We are the one body of Christ!

Technology & Worship – MD&N

This workshop will acquaint you with the tools needed to bring technology into your worship service. Specifically, the use of *Easy Worship* and *Power Point* will be demonstrated. You are encouraged to bring your own computers, however, it is not necessary to bring a computer to learn about these programs. If you bring your computer you will need to have *Easy Worship* installed before you come. It is available as a 30-day free trial off the internet at www.easyworship.com and *Power Point* is a part of Microsoft Office.

Caring for Our Political System and our Earth – P&CSC

Join Marshall Gibson, representing both Indiana Friends Committee on Legislation & Quaker Earthcare Witness, for this workshop sponsored by the WYM Board on Peace & Christian Social Concerns.

"What Do all the Letters Mean?" – Outreach

Come and learn about FWCC and ACFIA and what they are doing in the world.

Treasurer's Workshop – CM&E

Join a panel to discuss "best practices" for church treasurers and learn more about the Pastoral Ministry Excellence Grants.

WYM Faith & Practice – CM&E

The Western Yearly Meeting Board on Christian Ministries & Evangelism invites Friends to a workshop on Saturday, July 31, at 3:00 p.m. for you to talk about the study of the *Western Yearly Meeting Faith & Practice* in your meeting. There will be a time for sharing in small groups with other Friends.



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MATERIALS DEADLINE

FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER:

8/23/10, 9:00 a.m.

Our Purpose Statement

Seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit,

Western Yearly Meeting equips

Friends Meetings

in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

by exercising mutual care and

extending cooperative ministries.

Through various expressions of our

Christian faith,

we strive to inspire ministry and

the release of gifts of leadership.

Office Hours:

9:00-12:00; 1:00-3:00;

Monday-Thursday

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church Calendar

Seventh Month

- 1-4 USFWI Triennial, Mombasa, Kenya
- 5-9 Westfield VBS, 6-8 p.m.
- 9-11 FUM General Board Meeting
- 11-16 Senior High II Camp at Quaker Haven
- 17 Called Executive Committee Mtg., 9:00 a.m.
- 19-23 Mooresville VBS, 6-8 p.m.
- 23-24 Christian Church History & Ministry Class
- 23-25 Ridge Farm VBS
- 27 WYM Set-up, 9:00 a.m.
- 30-8.2 WYM Annual Sessions

Eight Month

- 3 WYM Clean-up
- 6-7 Valley Mills Chicken BBQ