

HONEY CREEK - A NATIONAL HERITAGE

"Honey Creek Monthly Meeting, organized in the fall of 1852, in the house of William Dobbins, composed of the following named: William Dobbins, Sr. and family, Levi Reece and wife, William Reece and family, William Hobson, a minister, James Tulburt and family, Joseph Dillon and family, Samuel Dillon and wife, James Rawnsly and family. First minister was William Hobson.

First meeting house, a double log building erected in 1854, when this burned, erected a frame structure in 1859." taken from History of Hardin County - 1883.

As membership grew, faithful members ventured forth to "set off" new meetings; records show meetings spreading from those nearby in the county to other states, from Iowa to the west coast. Honey Creek provided leadership, spiritual support, encouragement and advice to these new meetings until they were strong enough to become independent monthly meetings.

This spirit of honesty, courage, devoutness, desire for education and missions in foreign countries, as well as good-neighborliness is part of the rich heritage in this community today.

The Honey Creek Church Preservation Group is dedicated to preserve, maintain and provide access to those interested in learning more of this rich heritage in collections of records, documents, pictures, etc. In this way it is hoped something of value is being preserved as an inspiration to coming generations.



HONEY CREEK MEETINGHOUSE

Established 1852

National Historic Site

HOME COMING - OCTOBER 9, 2011

**Morning Service
11:00 a.m.**

**Organist: Jennie Barwick
Service leader: Paul Williams**

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME Paul Williams

PRAYER Justin Weber

HYMN NO. 330

SPECIAL MUSIC Quartet

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES Dee Reece

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC Kay Anderson

OPEN WORSHIP/SHARING

INTRO OF SPEAKER Paul Williams

MESSAGE Carl Kurtz

HYMN NO. 249

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING Justin Weber



AUTUMN DAYS

The summer time is all used up;
And winter days are near;
So now the season's steady grind
Sharpens the atmosphere.

The corn is solid; golden ripe—
The orchard yields a store.
And nature gladly brings to us
Abundance if not more.

—93—

A poem from Smile Thoughts, written by Edgar S. Kindley

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