

# Friend To Friend



HONEY CREEK - NEW PROVIDENCE FRIENDS CHURCH

JANUARY, 2011



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Whatever else this new year may mean to you, we hope that it reminds you of God's patience and love.

God has not given up on you or on any one of us. God accepts our repentance and our promises to do better with his help.

With God, any day can be New Year's Day for us. May God grant you grace to grow and keep growing in the likeness of our Lord Jesus.

## What happened in 2010?

In January, 2010, Arlen, Jean and Ben Daleske extended greetings and thanks for the privilege of serving Honey Creek - New Providence Friends Church. "Your cooperation, support, help and love are greatly appreciated. We look forward to 2010 with great hope. May we all continue to serve our Lord and Savior and seek new ways to show His light and love to this world."

Elsie Minear and her family were highlighted in the February issue of the church newsletter. Elsie's story states, "The most important things in Elsie's life are her consistent faith in the Lord, which has helped her overcome adversity, and sustained her strength, her family, and her loving concern for other people."

Marj Nelson gave the program at Friendly Fellowship on *Underground Railroad Quilts*.

Joey Longobardi and Hannah Gourley helped with relief in Haiti, serving with a group of sixty students from Cornerstone Church of Ames.

In March we caught a glimpse of Martha Eckhardt's life in her story *From Frankfurt To Freedom*.

The youth of our church and community were given the opportunity to earn part of their camp fees by participating in a new *Cash4Camp* program, helping in various service projects.

Young people presented the Easter Sunrise service and helped serve a delicious Easter breakfast.

In May seven graduating seniors were recognized during Sunday morning worship.

Justin Weber, his wife Krista, and children Jonathan and Rachel, were guests at HC-NP the weekend of April 23-26. Justin was presented by the Pastoral Search Committee for possible leadership following the resignation of Arlen Daleske.

On June 13, Arlen delivered his final message as pastor of HC-NP the past twelve years. A potluck meal took place in honor of the Daleske's and Lloyd and Martha McDonald. Lloyd has served our church and community as Visitation Pastor the past 23 years.

Worship in the Park Community Service was an important part of the 4th of July celebration.

Vacation Bible School in July for children ages 4 through 5th grade, had the theme SCUBA -- Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure.

Arlen Daleske was recorded as Minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Recording Service which took place at Iowa Yearly Meeting in Oskaloosa on July 31.

Vera Cutler and Opal Wilson were recognized by Iowa United Society of Friends Women at Yearly Meeting for their dedicated service in the work of missions and awarded Eliza Armstrong Cox Awards. They were also given certificates for years of completing the USFW reading program. (Vera - 59 yrs.; Opal - 54 yrs.)

In August the Justin Weber family moved from Ridge Farm, Illinois to Eldora to assume the pastorate at Honey Creek - New Providence Friends Church.

Friends Day Camp was held at Quaker Heights Saturday, September 11. The theme was "Building A Firm Foundation." Ron Bryan, Superintendent of Iowa Yearly Meeting was the speaker. A friendship quilt was completed and given to the Webers.

Two new youth programs began in September. Middle school youth meet every second and fourth Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Roundhouse with Chip and Alicia Daleske in leadership. High school youth, under the leadership of Dave Holm, Chaplin at Quakerdale, meet the first and third Sundays each month 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

Honey Creek Homecoming speaker was John Rains.

Joan (Marsh) Riskedahl became our new church secretary following the resignation of Kollene Steiner. Kollene was honored at a dinner Nov. 14 for her years of service.

A Choir Retreat was held November 20 under the direction of Elaine (McDonald) Hagenberg in reparation for Advent music.

Ninety two women from area churches attended the USFW Christmas Coffee in December. The program on MESSIAH was presented by Ruthie Tippin, pastor of West Branch Friends Church.

## YOUTH SCHEDULES

### Junior High Youth

Wednesday, January 12  
Wednesday, January 26  
6:30 - 8:00 PM  
at the Roundhouse

### High School Youth

Sunday, January 2  
Sunday, January 16  
3:30 - 5:30 PM  
at the Roundhouse

### The exact meaning

A Christian businessman who had suffered heavy losses was tempted to doubt the goodness of God. "Why did He allow these reverses to come to me?" he questioned. One night as he sat dejected and discouraged before the fireplace, his six-year-old son came and sat in his lap. Over the mantle hung a motto that read, "God's works are perfect." "Daddy, what does perfect mean?" asked the boy. Before the father could reply the boy continued, "Does it mean that God never makes a mistake?" The thought was just what the father needed. Hugging his son to him he said, "Yes, Johnny, that's just what it means."

### Missing pronouns

You cannot pray the Lord's Prayer and even once say I.  
You cannot pray the Lord's prayer and even once say my.

Nor can you pray the Lord's Prayer and not pray for one another,  
To ask God for "our" daily bread, you must include your brother.

For others are included in each and every plea,  
From the beginning to the end of it, it does not once say me.

## JANUARY EVENTS

### Sundays

9:00 am Doughnuts & Coffee  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship

### Mondays

6:30 - 9:30 am  
Community Breakfast

### Tuesdays

7:45 am Mothers of adult children -- Prayer

### Sunday, January 2

Mission Offering  
Retired Minister's Fund

### Wednesday, January 5

Inter-generational Bible Study  
6:45 - 7:45 pm

### Thursday, January 6

USFW 1:30 pm

### Sunday, January 9

Monthly Meeting

### Tuesday, January 11

Friendly Fellowship 10:00 am

### Thursday, January 13

HOME for mothers of pre-schoolers 9:00 am

### Sunday, January 16

*I Love Quaker Heights*

Program for all ages - 9:30 am

Worship 10:45 am

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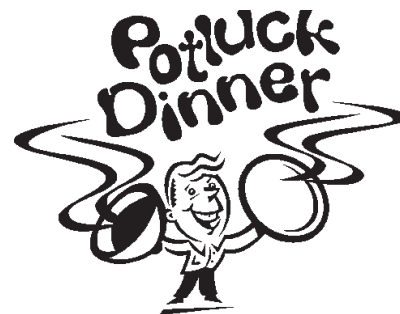
**POTLUCK DINNER**

### Wednesday, January 19

Inter-generational Bible Study  
6:45 - 7:45 pm

### Thursday, January 27

HOME for mothers of pre-schoolers 9:00 am



Sunday, January 16

**Celebrate  
I Love Quaker Heights  
Sunday !!**

Camp Quaker Heights staff will present programs in both the Sunday school hour and worship hour. All Sunday school classes will gather in the fellowship hall.

Plan to hear what's been going on at the camp and plans for the coming season.

Everyone is invited to the noon potluck.

### NEW ADDRESS

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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

4. Lisa Burns
- Jarod Giguere
6. Ann Longobardi
- Charlie Talbot
7. Cathy Callaway
- Eli Giguere
8. Hannah Gourley
10. Phil McDonald
13. Dan Cook
15. Merel Steinfeldt
18. Ken Cook
19. Karla Minear
20. Julie Burkett
25. Lloyd McDonald
27. Rob Talbot
30. Shane Gast



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# January



*With Sincere Sympathy*

For Marj Nelson and Roger Hildreth. Their brother **Bob Hildreth**, 77, passed away Dec. 15.

For Joan Riskedahl and family. Joan's father-in-law, **Stanley Riskedahl**, 89, passed away Dec. 17.

For the family of **Ed Faris**, 87, of New Providence who passed away January 5.

For Dale Schwarck, Bob and Brenda Crabb and the Sayer family. **Marjorie Schwarck**, passed away January 7 at Eldora Nursing and Rehab.

Elsie Minear

Vera Cutler, out of the hospital and in her apartment at the Embers

Eunice Broer, recovering in Arizona from a fall

Cherokee Elliott, dealing with health issues

Lillian Elliott

Art and Donna Williams, parents of Marlene Reece

Dale Schwarck

Lola Callaway, Bob Callaway's mother

Noma Hadley

Megan Ingledue

MaryLu Ellis

Providential Homes

Quakerdale

Alan McDonald, serving with the Peace Corps in Panama

Dan Whitehead and family, challenge of MAF ministry

Those serving our country, including: Emely Shore, Caleb Humphrey, and Wes Burnham

