



May Nursery Schedule

May 8

Randall and Denise
Nichols

May 15

John and Ann Rains

May 22

Jenn and Daniel Talbot

May 29

Les and Kay Clampitt

HCNP

Income/Expense March Report

Regular Income
\$18,187

Regular Expenses
\$13,797

Friend To Friend

Honey Creek-New Providence Friends Church

May 2011

Blessed Are The Cheesemakers!? by Justin Weber

“Did he say, ‘Blessed are the cheese makers?’” This line comes from a Monty Python movie entitled *The Life of Brian*. Brian is a man born the same night as Jesus and erroneously believes that he is the Messiah. Brian and some of his misguided disciples overhear Jesus and mistakenly believe he said, “Blessed are the cheese makers!”

Of course Jesus announced “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God!” (Matt 5:9)

As children of God we are to imitate Father God who has made peace with humanity through Christ and the cross! (Col. 1:20)

If we truly believe that we worship the “God of peace” and that God himself is the chief Peacemaker, then we too are to be people who make peace. (Rom. 15:33; 16:20; Phil. 4:9; I Thess. 5:23; Heb. 13:20)

Many of us, myself included at times, are not genuine peacemakers, but are peace-fakers and at other times peace-breakers. For the next few weeks we will be exploring the theological and practical ways of becoming genuine peacemakers. A message series on peacemaking will be offered in worship and then reinforced by a Sunday night study. Utilizing the resources of The Peacemaking Church a world renowned ministry, we will continue our spiritual adventure in becoming a peacemaking church. In preparation I would encourage us to read repeatedly and meditate upon James 4:1-5:6. And my apologies to all the cheese makers out there! Peace to all!

Sunday night class schedule:

(6:00 pm)

May 1, 8, 15, & 22

June 5, 12, 19, & 26

Quaker Membership Class

Recently I had the opportunity to attend the Quaker classes that lasted for 6 weeks. I was raised as a Methodist and had no knowledge of the Quaker faith.

I have been attending the church for over 2 years and was interested in becoming a member. After starting the reading, I was completely enthralled about the rich Quaker history. I was in awe of the sacrifices made by the early Quakers and how those changes helped to shape our country. The one thing that I came away with from these classes is that members of this church and the ones that are seeking membership are the most amazing people I have the pleasure of calling my friends.

I have formed new friendships with the members of the class that are God given. We all share a desire and need to improve our relationship with God.

Spending 6 weeks with this group of spiritual people has improved my relationship with God and I now have a better understanding of the Quaker faith and what I need to do to increase my understanding and relationships with those in the Quaker faith.

- Stacy Howell

USFW Work Day

Thirteen members of the United Society of Friends Women met at the church Thursday, April 7, 10:00 am—2:30 pm for the annual Work Day for mission outreach. Projects were planned by Alice Hadley and Connie Pemberton.

Chicken and noodle casseroles and cookies were baked for twelve individuals or families in our area. One hundred smaller cookies were baked, which will be distributed during the May 5th USFW gathering at Valley View Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

One group of women spent the day making and decorating over 40 May baskets.

Others had brought sewing machines, fabric, irons and other equipment, and made lap robes to be taken to the nursing homes.

A brief business meeting, led by President Mary Humrichouse, followed the work on projects. A request was considered from John Sellers, Chaplain at the Iowa State Training School, for USFW help with a birthday party for the boys. We will again provide refreshments and gifts for the boys who will be celebrating at the September/October birthday party. Approval was given to send a \$100 check with the women attending the Iowa USFW Spring Fling at Carlisle, April 9, for the Ramallah mission project.

Soup for the noon meal was provided by Jean Perry and Nancy Callaway. There was a salad and dessert potluck.

Text and photos by Evelyn Cook

USFW Spring Fling

On April 9th five women from Honey Creek-New Providence United Society of Friends Women attended the Iowa USFW Spring Fling at Middle River Friends in Carlisle, Iowa. The theme was “Sharing Our Gifts” and women from at least five Iowa Friends Churches spoke about ways women can share their various gifts. Among the speakers was our own Ardee Talbot speaking about the gifts of humor.

Ann Riggs of Baltimore Yearly Meeting gave an update on happenings at Friends Theological College in Kenya. The Kenyan students are learning to grow tomatoes in greenhouses to keep the monkeys from stealing them and to make charcoal briquettes from sawdust and other waste products. In this way they are able to help preserve the forests, and sell these products to aid in funding the college.

All women are invited to attend the USFW meetings held on the first Thursday of the month and to participate in the yearly Iowa USFW Spring Fling and the August 6th Celebration of Service to be held at Camp Quaker Heights.

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” I Peter 4:10



Lillian and Betty construct May baskets



Jean and Twyla complete their quilting



Twyla, Jean, Nancy and Connie help prepare lunch

Submitted by Mary Humrichouse

Celebrate Iona's 90th Birthday!

Iona Lepley was born on May 17, 1921 to Ed & Jesse, the middle daughter of 3 girls and 1 boy. She grew up working hard on the family farm assisting their mother with cleaning, canning, and cooking, and helping their dad outside with farm duties.

Of course, as for many growing up during the Great Depression, Ony remembers hearing adults say, "The Union bank is broke." She says that all she could picture in her mind was a whole in the exterior wall of the bank with money spilling out into the streets! That seemed like a good thing to a little girl!

When Iona graduated from New Providence High School, she went to Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa. She enjoyed her studies there, but felt that her tuition was a hardship on her parents during those economic times, so she decided to go to Chillicothe Business School, complete a degree, and go to work.

Ony moved to Chicago where she had several secretarial positions including Time/Life Publishing. She also took a part-time job working at Marshall Fields during the Christmas shopping season where she learned to wrap beautiful packages! She lived in a boarding house on North Lake Shore Drive and attended the World Series at Wrigley Field.

In Chicago, a high school classmate visited her while on leave at Great Lakes Naval Base. Harold Marsh won Ony's heart and they were married in May of 1945. Harold went back to serve our country and Ony stayed in Chicago until he returned home. They lived in various places during their marriage including New Providence and Lemars, but settled into their permanent home in Union which Iona's dad had built in 1920. Harold and Iona were blessed with three children, Howard, Robert, and Charlene.

Once again, Iona worked hard to keep a home, tend to

three children, and assist Harold with farming duties as much as possible. In the mid-60's she began working at Lawn Hill Co-op as a bookkeeper, continuing her role there for over 20 years.

Iona endured a tragedy that no one should bear, the loss of her son Robert as a young man in 1974. Iona and Harold felt the desire to help those less fortunate than themselves and planned to join the Peace Corp. After Harold passed away in 1982, Ony searched to find a way to volunteer. She traveled to Zimbabwe in 1984 to serve for one year in the mission field where she kept computer records for the missionaries.

While attending a high school reunion in 1993, Iona was reunited with her high school friend, Beryl Perisho. Beryl and Iona were married and lived between Ames and Sun City, Arizona until 2005 when they decided to spend all of their time in Iowa.

Since Beryl's death in 2007 Iona has been living at Waterford Assisted Living in Ames. She spends time with Char in Chicago throughout the year, but Iowa is home. She enjoys reading the paper and books, especially biographies. She loves visitors, especially her 5 grandchildren and 3 great-granddaughters.

After reading this, if you're thinking, "This is quite a lady," you are right!
-Charlene Raines

Community Open House honoring Iona

Sunday, May 15
2:00-4:00 pm

HCNP Fellowship Hall
The family requests no gifts.

(Howard and Kay Marsh
and Char and Tom Raines)



Celebration!

Upcoming wedding of
Hannah Nichols and Lucas Maselli
July 23, 2011

-Lillian and Cherakee Elliott
-Megan Ingledue, Mary Lu Ellis
-Diane Rogers
-Lola Callaway
-Alan McDonald, with the Peace Corps in Panama
-Those serving our country: Emely Shore, Caleb Humphrey and

Wes Burnham
-Dan Whitehead family, challenges of MAF ministry
-Providential Homes
-Quakerdale
-Judy (Tatum) Davis
-Darlene Frahm
-Stan Hughes
-Noma Hadley
-Elsie Minear



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9:00 am Breakfast 9:30am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Mission Sunday 6:00 pm Peacemaking class Kyle Cook </p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30-9:30 am Community Breakfast Alonzo Gast </p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:45 am Mothers of Adult Children Prayer Paul Williams </p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 am Prayer w/ Justin 6:45-7:45 pm Bible Study Jean Perry Jimmy Giguere </p>	<p>5</p> <p>1:30 pm USFW meeting at Valley View Nursing & Rehab. Center Jean Perry Jimmy Giguere </p>	<p>6</p> 	<p>7</p>
<p>Mother's Day 8</p> <p>8:30 am Monthly Mtg. 9:00 am Breakfast 9:30am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Peacemaking class</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:30-9:30 am Community Breakfast Nicholas Whitehead Joel Steiner </p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:45 am Mothers of Adult Children Prayer</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00 am Prayer w/ Justin 6:30-8:00 pm Jr. High Youth 6:30-8:00 pm CrossTrainers For Christ Larry Pemberton </p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Marlene McDonald  Meredith Garrison</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:00 am Breakfast 9:30am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Guests: Bob & Hope Carter 6:00 pm Peacemaking Class Marnie DuChane </p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30-9:30 am Community Breakfast</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7:45 am Mothers of Adult Children Prayer 10:00 am Friendly Fellowship Patti Shore </p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 am Prayer w/ Justin 6:45-7:45 pm Bible Study</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Ryland DuChane Emma Nichols </p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9:00 am Breakfast 9:30am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Peacemaking class</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30-9:30 am Community Breakfast</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:45 am Mothers of Adult Children Prayer Olivia Ingledue Darryl Gast </p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:00 am Prayer w/ Justin 6:30-8:00 pm Jr. High Youth 6:30-8:00 pm CrossTrainers For Christ 7:00 pm Ministry & Counsel</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Nancy Callaway </p>	<p>28</p> <p>Dolores Whitehead Jeff Schwandt </p>	
<p>29</p> <p>9:00 am Breakfast 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Allison Brown Tracey Whitehead </p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:30-9:30 am Community Breakfast Memorial Day Derek Brown Caleb Gast </p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:45 am Mothers of Adult Children Prayer 4:00 pm Christian Ed. Linda Garrison </p>				

Congratulations Graduates!

Sophie Cook, daughter of Daniel and Nancy Cook plans to attend Iowa State University double majoring in English and music. (photo courtesy 'Images Photography')

Julie Gast, daughter of Daryl and Rosie Gast plans to attend Ellsworth Community College.

Spencer Nelson, son of Dan and Diane Nelson is planning to attend Marshalltown Community College to receive his AA degree from there next spring. He then intends to complete his last two years at Iowa State University earning a degree in education.

Emma Nichols, daughter of Randall and Denise Nichols plans to attend Asbury University in Wilmore, KY. double majoring in Communications and Theater and Cinema Performance.

Jada Staples, daughter of Alan and Judy Staples plans to complete pre-Vet Studies at Ellsworth Community College, then continue at Iowa State University.



Sophie

Julie

Spencer

Emma

Jada



Congratulations to a College Graduate!

Heather Talbot, daughter of Rob and Jenn Talbot, is graduating from Northwestern College in Orange City.

Bob and Hope Carter to speak Sunday, May 15



In January of 2009 Bob handed over leadership of the HOPE for AIDS program to a seasoned team member, and the following month the Carters moved from Nairobi to Kijabe, where Bob joined the medical teaching staff of Kijabe Hospital as a Family Medicine consultant.

Hope, a physician assistant ("clinical officer" in Kenya), has been serving part time on the AIDS team, attending to patients infected by HIV. She also conducted nutritional research on children enrolled in the hospital's AIDS support program in the community of Naivasha. The findings of that research are now being used to galvanize community efforts to address the rampant malnutrition seen in the children of HIV-infected parents.

Bob and Hope have four children: Nathan, 25; Levi, 22; Hannah, 20; and Josiah, 18.

The Carters have quite an extensive speaking schedule throughout their Home Assignment. (18,000 miles to travel!).

Prepare to be blessed as they share during Sunday School and Worship May 15.

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Friendly Fellowship



Although the day of April's get together brought some winter-like weather, our program had us all thinking spring! Kathleen Ziemer of 'ButterfliZ of Iowa'



brought some 'friends' for us to meet as she educated us on these beautiful creatures. A butterfly called Painted Lady was especially social!

May 17, 10:00 am Skin Cancer Awareness Month

Tam Elerding will be with us representing the upcoming American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Hardin County. She will acquaint us with this fund raising event that celebrates, remembers, honors, and encourages us to fight back against this disease.



Only One

Most of all the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in the whole world.

-Kate Douglas Wiggin



Is it enough to think today
Of all our brave, then put away
The thought until a year has sped?
Is this full honor for our dead?
Is it enough to sing a song
And deck a grave; and all year long
Forget the brave who died that we
Might keep our great land proud
And free?

Full service needs a greater toll,
That we who live give heart and soul
To keep the land they died to save,
And be ourselves, in turn, the brave!

- Annette Wynne