

Asheboro Community Bible Study

The 2024-2025 Study will begin at Asheboro Friends Meeting on September 9, 2024. You can choose between Monday nights at 7:00 PM or Tuesday mornings at 10:45 AM.

So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

— *Matthew 1:17 (ESV)*

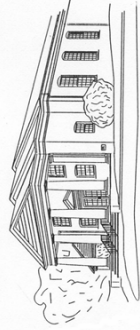
We will study the Gospel of Matthew. Registration is open and the cost is \$35.00 per adult.

For more information contact Jay Brownfield at 336-653-9002 or visit the website at <https://asheboroeve.cbclass.org/>.

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“I Have Called You Friends”

John 15:15

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A Meditation from Samuel L. Haworth – September 1, 2024

THE OLD ORDER CHANGES

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant. ... In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

—Hebrews 8:8, 13 (Read Romans 8:1-4)

The old covenant, through the law of Moses, set up a standard to live by. But it was easier to adopt religious forms and ceremonies than to keep the law. Even these became a yoke of bondage which the people were not able to bear. The law, with its ceremonies and traditions, became to them the law of sin and death. Christ by his life and teachings, by his death and resurrection, and Paul by his missionary activity, brought to the world the good news of deliverance from the bondage. The old order was passing away, giving place to the new.

We do not yet see its full realization. We are still bound by social and religious ideas and by individual and national habits of thought and action. We look into the future and long for the new world of freedom, righteousness and peace. Whatever the many plans we make to bring it in (and planning *is* necessary) it is still the power of God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, working from within us that must set us free and lead us in the new way.

Lead on, O King Eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet Amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums,
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

—ERNEST W. SHURTLEFF

O God, may I be guided by Christ rather than by custom. May His power enable me to do Thy will at all times. Amen

Reprinted from Quaker Meditations, edited by Cecil E. Haworth, reprinted 1989.

Samuel L. Haworth served as minister to several Friends Meetings, as Clerk of North Carolina Yearly Meeting, and as Professor of Biblical Literature and Religion in Guilford College, North Carolina.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

A Jerry & Carol Bullins — September 1
A Ernest & Betty Davis — September 1
A David & Lynn Pierce — September 2
B Katee Pierce — September 2
B Evan Underwood — September 2
B Madeline Coggins — September 5
B Ron Weaver — September 7
B Danny Coggins — September 10
B Vernon Wilson — September 14

CUOC for September

Any Breakfast Cereal

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July Financial Report:

Income:	\$ 8,960.50
Expenses:	\$ 11,705.19
Gen Fund Balance:	\$ 27,178.03



Thoughts on Failure

I had a friend who used to call me on the phone on Monday mornings. I'd pick up the phone and this minister would say, "Hello, this is God. I have a gift for you today. I want to give you the gift of failing. Today you do not have to succeed. I grant that to you." Then he would hang up. I would sit there for ten minutes, staring at the wall.

The first time I couldn't believe it. It was really the gospel. God's love means it's OK to fail. You don't have to be the greatest thing in the world. You can just be you.

— Robert Wise

C. S. Lewis, in The Screwtape Letters, vividly describes Satan's strategy: He gets Christians to become preoccupied with their failures; from then on, the battle is won.

— Erwin Lutzer

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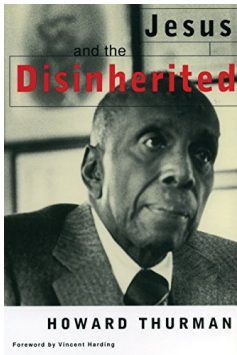
God Is Mindful Of The Individual

“Fear is one of the persistent hounds of hell that dog the footsteps of the poor, the dispossessed, the disinherited. There is nothing new or recent about fear—it is doubtless as old as the life of man on the planet. Fears are of many kinds—fear of objects, fear of people, fear of the future, fear of nature, fear of the unknown, fear of old age, fear of disease, and fear of life itself. Then there is fear which has to do with aspects of experience and detailed states of mind. Our homes, institutions, prisons, churches, are crowded with people who are hounded by day and harrowed by night because of some fear that lurks ready to spring into action as soon as one is alone, or as soon as the lights go out, or as soon as one's social defenses are temporarily removed.

“The ever-present fear that besets the vast poor, the economically and socially insecure, is a fear of still a different breed. It is a climate closing in; it is like the fog in San Francisco or in London. It is nowhere in particular yet everywhere. It is a mood which one carries around with himself, distilled from the acrid conflict with which his days are surrounded. It has its roots deep in the heart of the relations between the weak and the strong, between the controllers of environment and those who are controlled by it...

“The core of the analysis of Jesus is that man is a child of God, the God of life that sustains all of nature and guarantees all the intricacies of the life-process itself. Jesus suggests that it is quite unreasonable to assume that God, whose creative activity is expressed even in such details as the hairs of a man's head, would exclude from his concern the life, the vital spirit, of the man himself. This idea—that God is mindful of the individual—is of tremendous import in dealing with fear as a disease. In this world the socially disadvantaged man is constantly given a negative answer to the most important personal questions upon which mental health depends. “Who am I? What am I?”

—Excerpted from *Jesus and the Disinherited* by Howard Thurman, available to purchase from the FUM Online Bookstore.



Asheboro Friends Prayer List September 1, 2024

Members

Becky Boone
 Carol Bullins
 Jackie & Pat Cole
 Susie Dunn
 Ava Grace Fogleman
 Linda Lanier
 Twyla Little
 Helen Marley
 Carol Meiers
 Mary Ella Pugh
 Esther Underwood
 Family of Danny West
 Tina Williams
 Vernon Wilson
 Hal & Jan Winslow

Hospitals & Nursing Homes

Brookdale, Rock Hill, SC:
 Harry Hudson
 Rose Glen Manor Assisted Living:
 Becky Craven
 Terra Bella:
 Hal Powell

Law Enforcement & Services

Jeremy Callicutt
 Evan Underwood
 Stephen Vaughn
 Asheboro Police Department
 Asheboro Fire Department
 Randolph County Sheriff's Office

Missions

Chosen People Ministries - The Arnolds
 Class Act
 Friends Disaster Service
 Gideon Ministries
 HASTEN International
 Belize Friends Center
 Lydia's Place
 Neighbors Helping Neighbors & CUOC
 Sleep in Heavenly Peace
 The Friends Center MOWA
 Jonathan Spainhour

Ministers & Staff

David Millikan
 David Peters
 Cynthia Pierce
 Mike Wall

Please submit additions to our prayer list:
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Charles Allen
 Judy Barnes
 Julia Barnes
 Alice Beasley
 Logan Brooks
 Suzanne Brown
 Barbara Bullin
 Roger Bryant
 Larry Byrd
 Ethan Clarke
 Eddie Coggins
 Betty Cox
 Carson Daves
 Betty Davis
 Gwen Davis
 Jenny Ellington
 Candie Evavold
 Lauren Evavold
 Family of Ann White Felton
 Rita Bass Ford
 Family of Stuart Fountain
 Craig Frazier
 Angela Frye
 Vickie Frye
 Ruby Gainey
 Treva Gallimore
 Ricky Harris
 Pat Hussey
 Bill Ivey
 Karen Jacobs
 Rick Johnson
 Ray Lambe
 Ben Lewis
 Libby McNeil
 Jeremy Moore
 Renee Nelson
 Tony Norris
 Don Osborne
 Jackie Parks
 Linda Poole
 Chuck Powers
 Family of Loyd Pugh
 Kaffy Reynolds
 Jennifer Ruff
 Ron & Judy Smith
 Darrell Swaney
 Pam Thomas
 Tanya Trogdon
 Andy Walker
 Joe Weaver
 Family of Michelle Weaver
 Dolan Williams
 Claude Winslow



Our World,
Israel & The Ukraine
Asheboro Friends Meeting
Kids Klub
Friends Church of NC
Contentnea Quarter
First Responders
Healthcare Workers
All Our Elected Officials
Unspoken Requests
Unsaved Family & Friends



CLASS ACT

*A Partnership with Faith Based
 Community & Asheboro City Schools*

Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Asheboro High School Auditorium

Asheboro Friends has three Class Act Teams working with classrooms at McCrary Elementary. This fall kickoff meeting is for any and all interested individuals. Free tickets are available from David Millikan or Cynthia Pierce.

For more information email: poochie62355@yahoo.com or
 lesterrivenbard@yahoo.com

“Connecting Classroom to the Community”



**NO KID SLEEPS
 ON THE FLOOR
 IN OUR TOWN!**

Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a volunteer-driven nonprofit dedicated to building and delivering hand-made, fully furnished beds to children in need. SHP's mission is to tackle childhood bedlessness, which we estimate to affect nearly 3% of the population.

The NC-Randolph Co chapter is a reality! David Millikan, Jacob Wright, and Stephanie Wright traveled to Lehi, UT for training August 16-17. Checks may be made to Sleep in Heavenly Peace (indicate NC-Randolph Co chapter in the memo line) and delivered or mailed to Asheboro Friends Meeting.

You have one or more God-given talents that will enhance the lives of children in need.

Once we are organized and running this is how the process works!



DONATIONS

Individual, Businesses and Organizations
 Donate Bedding and Building Materials



VOLUNTEERS

Individual, Businesses and Organizations
 team up with local chapters and organize a build day



BUILD DAY

Volunteers from the community build beds together



APPLICATION

Apply to receive a free bed for a kid sleeping on the floor



DELIVERY

Volunteers deliver and set up beds for families in need



NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!

Kids sleep peacefully in hand-built beds of their very own

Anyone and everyone of any skill level can be a part of this ministry!

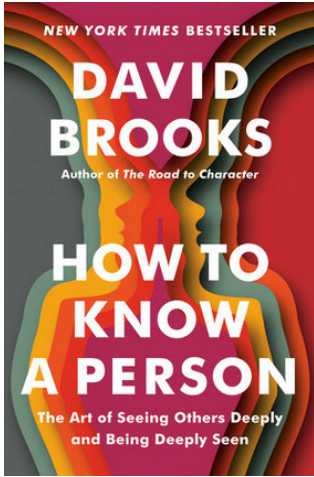
Please be in prayer how you can be a part of this exciting opportunity in our town!

FUM Will Host Book Study Group

“Wise people don’t just possess information; they possess a compassionate understanding of other people.”
—David Brooks

This fall, Friends United Meeting will host conversations based on the book *How to Know a Person: The Art of Seeing Others Deeply and Being Deeply Seen*, by David Brooks.

David Brooks writes: *The real act of, say, building a friendship or creating community involves performing a series of small, concrete social actions well: disagreeing without poisoning the relationship; revealing vulnerability at the appropriate pace; being a good listener; knowing how to end a conversation gracefully; knowing how to ask for and offer forgiveness; knowing how to let someone down without breaking their heart; knowing how to sit with someone who is suffering; knowing how to host a gathering where everyone feels embraced; knowing how to see things from another’s point of view.*



Brooks’s list of social actions recalls the familiar verse from Galatians 5:22-23, “ But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

Please complete the online form at this link to let us know of your interest and availability:
https://bit.ly/FUM_book_2024.

If a broadened and deepened sense of community and connectedness is something you desire, please complete the interest form and consider joining us this fall. — Michael Sherman

NC USFW Fall Annual Registration

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Archdale Friends Meeting

Dr. Lydia Grapine is a retired principal and university lecturer. She has served on a number of Jamaica Yearly Meeting committees, including the position of Presiding Clerk of the Yearly Meeting and Clerk of the Jamaica USFW. Presently she is the Presiding Clerk of the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Council Meeting, and also the Presiding Clerk and Pastor of Cascade Friends Church. Widowed, a mother of four, grandmother of five and great grandmother of one.



Please join us to hear Lydia’s story about Quakers in Jamaica and the work being done with the Jamaican Vacation Bible School summer program.

9:00 – 10:00 am Registration and Bookstore with light refreshments
10:00 am – 12 noon Welcome, Music, Program and Business
12:00 noon Luncheon – catered lunch @ \$15.00 each

If you have questions contact Sherry Hylton 336-339-8058 or sbhylton3@yahoo.com

Kids Klub News

Pray for Our Children and Their Schools



Homeschooled

Audrey
Claire
Hannah
Liam
Lauren
Robert

Uwharrie Charter Academy

Danica
Katee
Meghan
Ryan
Zachary



Ramseur Elementary

Ava Grace
Willow

Pleasant Garden Elementary

Wyatt

Tabernacle Elementary

Melody



South Asheboro Middle School

Kameron

Southeast Middle School – Greensboro

Aubrie



Asheboro High School

Eric
Landon

Southeast Middle School – Kernersville

Amiyah

Teachey Elementary

Cody
Desmond
Leilani



NC Wesleyan University

Lily

McCrary Elementary
Our Class Act Teams