

Asheboro Community Bible Study

The 2024-2025 Study at Asheboro Friends Meeting is concluding. You can choose between Monday nights at 7:00 PM or Tuesday mornings at 10:30 AM. Our study will resume in September with the Book of Psalms.

Blessed is the man

who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

nor stands in the way of sinners,

nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

but his delight is in the law of the Lord,

and on his law he meditates day and night.

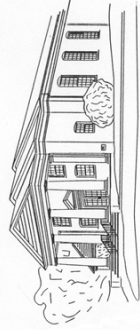
— *Psalms 1:1-2 (ESV)*

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.cbssclass.org/>

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“I Have Called You Friends”

John 15:15

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A Message from **Barnie Slice** – April 18, 2025

Jesus Is Risen!

But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.”

— **Matthew 28:5-7 (ESV)**

Today, which is Good Friday, my thoughts go to the trials, torture, and crucifixion of Jesus, my Lord and Savior. I can imagine Jesus's disciples, watching from a distance as they looked on in horror at the arrest, trial, and crucifixion of the very person they had come to know and count on. The man who claimed that He was the Son of God. I can imagine that, as Jesus's followers, they were terrified that they, too, would be hunted down and crucified with Jesus. In great fear, they hid. None of us would have done any different.

As the night came and went their hearts were heavy with grief and disbelief. All the next day they stayed hidden for fear of the authorities. The day passed into another night as they sat and grieved the loss of their friend and Savior.

On the Sabbath, some of the women went early to the tomb to anoint the body and found it empty. They ran to the disciples and told them the news. They did not believe the words the women told them so Peter and John ran to see for themselves. An angel told them that Jesus had risen.

Jesus first appeared to Mary and then to others in Jerusalem. What joy filled the air as they ran and spread the news to other followers of Jesus! Jesus is risen! Jesus is risen!

We live on this side of the Resurrection so it is easier for us to believe that Jesus had, indeed, risen. With great joy and wonder we celebrate the rising from the dead of Jesus this Sunday. Why don't we celebrate this tremendous deed every day of our lives? It certainly is the greatest thing that has ever happened to God's people here on earth. Without the Crucifixion, Jesus would be just another great prophet of old.

As we celebrate this Easter weekend, remember that Jesus died for you and me so that we would not be condemned to death. Thank God every day for sending His only begotten Son to save us. What joy that brings to us each day! Jesus is risen!

Barnie Slice is my very talented friend. Barnie is retired and lives in Pawleys Island, SC where he is co-owner of Island Art Gallery. He is an artist who shares his vision of a world that is more beautiful and colorful than most of us are able to see. His media include oils, acrylics, watercolor, and words.

Cover art: *The Greatest Event* by **Barnie Slice**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

B Jimmy Pell — April 23

B Carol Meiers — April 24

B Ernest Davis — April 26

CUOC for April

Canned Potatoes

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March Financial Report:

Income: \$ 6,558.00

Expenses: \$ 9,155.25

Gen Fund Balance: \$ 32,334.99

Soup's On

Randolph Christian Men's effort at First Baptist Church on Saturday, April 12 was a huge success. Over 400 tickets were sold!

Proceeds of over \$16,000.00 will be given to local charities: Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Randolph Christian Men, and Regional Consolidated Services-handicap ramp fund.

“Easter opened up a crack in a universe winding down toward entropy and decay, sealing the promise that someday God will enlarge the miracle of Easter to cosmic scale.”

— *Philip Yancey*

“We ask that streams of Easter light might flow into the intimacy and privacy of our hearts this morning, to heal us and encourage us and enable us to make again a new beginning.”

— *John O'Donohue*

Excerpt:

“We Seek To Be Faithful To What We Hear”

The heart of this book is corporate discernment, so I'll start by explaining what that means. Friends believe in a balance between two principles; the individual's direct connection to God and the essential practice of discernment in community. Both of these ideas are extraordinarily powerful. Friends believe that God speaks directly to every individual. We can choose to listen or not. In a time and place of early Quakerism, this was a radical and counter-cultural idea. The dominant faith traditions of society said that priests interpreted the Bible and God's will. Today, many people believe in direct connection to the divine without intermediary. But the concept of continuing revelation—God actively speaking—is still radical. Friends listen not to our own best selves but to something beyond our full understanding, and we seek to be faithful to what we hear.

— Excerpt from *Before The Resurrection, Transitions and Endings in Quaker Meetings and Churches*, by Emily Provance, available to purchase on the FUM Online Bookstore.

Radiant light beaming.

Angels singing.

Empty grave.

Alive! He who came to save.

Satan defeated. Death, where is thy sting?

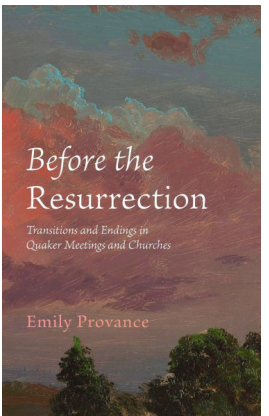
Good News! Glorious hope! Now to tell and sing.

Christ Victorious!

Christ Triumphant!

Christ the King!

— *Benton Preston*



NCYM Inc. Annual Meeting

April 26, 2025

Quaker Lake Camp 10:00 AM

NCYM Inc. is a trustee organization which holds title to Quaker Lake Camp and manages an endowment fund for Quaker missions and benevolent funds. It includes representatives from both the North Carolina Fellowship of Friends and from Friends Church of North Carolina.

NC USFW Spring Conference

May 3, 2025

9:00 -10:00 am Registration & Bookstore
10:00 am —12:00 pm Program & Business
12:00 pm Luncheon (catered \$15.00)

Quaker Lake Camp

Speakers: Max & Jane Carter

NCQM Spring Fling



May 5, 2025 6:01 PM

Deep River Friends Meeting

Speaker: Gilbert Imbayi

Cost of the meal is \$15.00

Offering will go to NCYM projects.



Quaker Lake Camp

75th Anniversary Celebration

June 7, 2025

All past and present campers, volunteers, staff, and friends of QLC are invited to celebrate as we enjoy a day of activities, fellowship, worship, and fun.

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.

Our NC-Randolph County chapter has delivered 69 beds to kids in Asheboro and Ramseur and will be expanding our service area soon. Southern Quarterly Meeting is collecting funds for SHP with \$9,450.00 so far and is planning to sponsor a Build Day this spring. The Randolph Rotary Club is sponsoring a Build Day on Saturday, April 26 at Asheboro Friends with a goal of 20 beds.

Checks may be made to Sleep in Heavenly Peace (indicate NC-Randolph Co chapter in the memo line). Mail to SHP NC-Randolph Co Chapter, PO Box 206, Asheboro, NC 27204. We are also accepting donations of twin size mattresses, mattress protectors, twin sheets, twin comforters/quilts, pillows, and pillowcases. All items must be new or hand-made. Twin size bed-in-a-bag sets are perfect. Bring to Asheboro Friends or to CUOC.



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!

Asheboro Friends Prayer List April 18, 2025

Members

Alyssa Bachman
Becky Boone
Carol Bullins
Jackie & Pat Cole
Susie Dunn
Ava Grace Fogleman
Family of Harry Hudson
Linda Lanier
Helen Marley
Carol Meiers
Mary Ella Pugh
Esther Underwood
Family of Tina Williams
Vernon Wilson
Hal & Jan Winslow
Brenda Yelverton

Hospitals & Nursing Homes

Rose Glen Manor Assisted Living:
Becky Craven
Terra Bella:
Hal Powell

Law Enforcement & Services

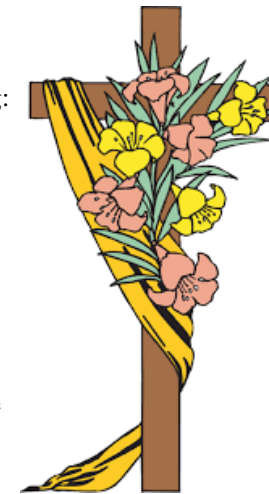
Jeremy Callicutt
Evan Underwood
Stephen Vaughn
Asheboro Police Department
Asheboro Fire Department
Randolph County Sheriff's Office

Missions

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

Ministers & Staff

David Millikan
David Peters
Cynthia Pierce
Mike Wall



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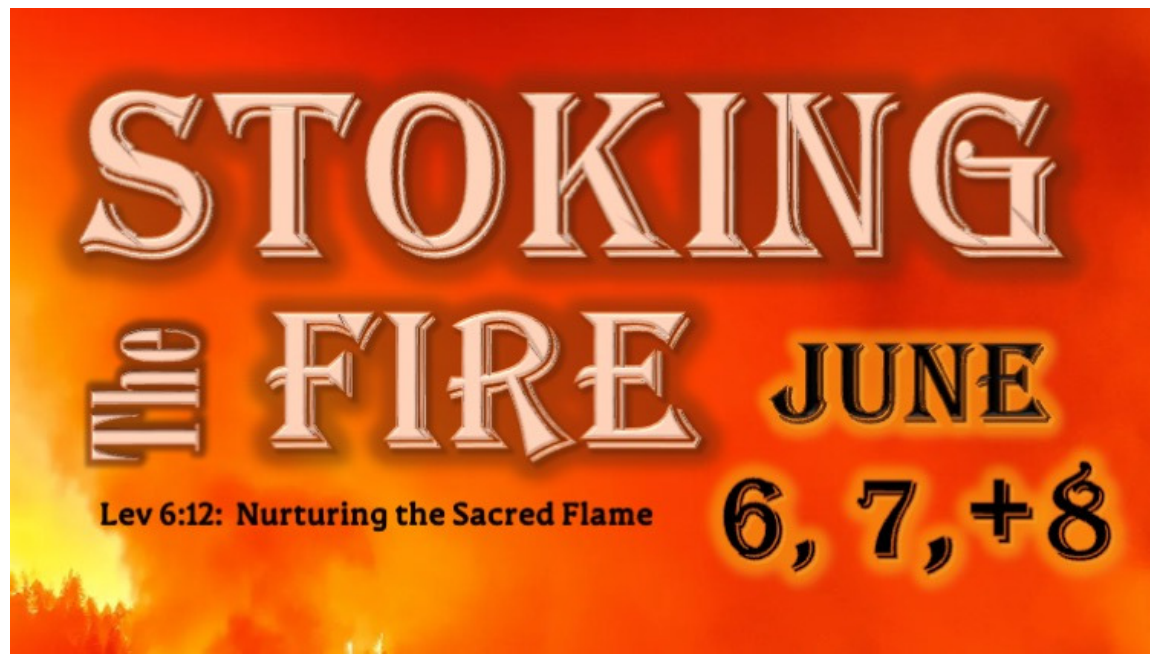
Clint Allen
Thomas Atkins
Linda Bailey
Judy Barnes
Julia Barnes
Alice Beasley
Emma Briles
Logan Brooks
Suzanne Brown
Barbara Bullin
Roger Bryant
Ethan Clarke
Betty Cox
Betty Davis
Gwen Davis
Candie Evavold
Craig Frazier
Angela Frye
Vickie Frye
Ruby Gainey
Treva Gallimore
Family of Garrett Haithcock
Gail Henley
Mary Hunt
Tracy Hunt
Pat Hussey
Bill Ivey
Karen Jacobs
Rick Johnson
Elaine Marley Kerns
Ray Lambe
Family of Nancy Lanier
Ben Lewis
Charles Lewis
Libby McNeil
Jeremy Moore
Renee Nelson
Tony Norris
Linda Poole
Family of Chuck Powers
Dorothy Priest
Ralph & Peggy Reaves
Family of Kaffy Reynolds
Sandra Kay Rich
Jennifer Ruff
Robert Small
Family of Jerry Southard
Family of Eva Smith
Darrell Swaney
Pam Thomas
Tanya Trogdon
Sarah VonHofen
Alice Wilson
Claude Winslow



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[Our World](#)
[Israel & The Ukraine](#)
[Asheboro Friends Meeting](#)
[Kids Klub](#)
[Friends Church of NC](#)
[Contentnea Quarter](#)
[First Responders](#)
[Healthcare Workers](#)
[All Our Ected Officials](#)
[Unspoken Requests](#)
[Unsaved Family & Friends](#)



Please submit additions to our prayer list:
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Nurturing the flame; this is a shift of attention from external to internal. “There is always going to be something ‘out there’ to focus on and distract us, but we need to spend quality time taking a look in the mirror at ourselves first”—Shawn Ginwright.

Pentecost is a celebration of the Holy Spirit. The light of Christ within is precious and needs care and attention. Anyone who has been camping knows there is work involved in keeping the fire going. Like how David prayed in Psalm 51:11+12: “Cast me not away from Your presence; take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain me with a willing spirit.”

For us to be transformed by the renewing of our minds we must spend the time and do the work allowing truth to speak to us, in us, and then be made manifest through us. Taking a cue from Shawn Ginwright’s book *The Four Pivots; Reimagining Justice, Reimagining Ourselves*, we will look mostly at reimagining ourselves. Speakers Gabrielle Bailey, Kelly Kellum, Michael Sherman, and Scott Wagoner will invite us to reflect internally on four areas of personal spiritual care: awareness, vision, connection, and presence.

Often, we focus so much on what everyone else is doing, on the rightness or wrongness of others’ actions, that we are not able to see the truth of our own spiritual reality. We are so busy speaking truth to power that we have neglected the power we possess in ourselves of a healed heart and transformed life. How do we shift from an external view of power to an internal view of power?

Often, individuals and faith communities focus so much on fixing the problem that we are not able to see the creative possibilities before us. What shifts do we need to make to move from solving problems to seeing possibilities?

Often, we focus so much on striking a deal to win now that we are unable to see long-term consequences. What shifts in connection do we need to make which value and acknowledge ‘that of God’ in each other?

Often, we focus so much on crossing items off our to-do lists that we are not able to simply be. How do we shift perspective, so we are able to move joyously between accountability and grace, knowing we are holy and beloved?

Register at: <https://www.cognitofirms.com/FriendsUnitedMeeting/tokingTheFire2025Leviticus612NurturingTheFlame>

Kids Klub News



Upcoming Event



CAR WASH / Yard Sale

(Saturday ONLY)

Friday & Saturday, June 6-7, 2025

**Help Our Kids Help Other Kids
Proceeds (50/50) donated to
Samaritan’s Purse for Western NC
& Sleep in Heavenly Peace NC-Randolph**



**How can
you help?**



- 1. Rent a yard sale table for only \$25.00 and keep all the money you make. (Contact Cynthia Pierce. ASAP)**
- 2. Donate items for the Kids Klub tables.**
- 3. Get your vehicles hand washed and detailed.**
- 4. Come purchase items for sale.**
- 5. Donate Money.**

