

**HEMLOCK FRIENDS MEETING**  
*The Fun Church With Firm Convictions*

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*Our Purpose: "To Know Christ and Make Him Known."*

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**February 15, 2015**

**9:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:30 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP**

The altar is always open to lay your heart before the Lord and seek Him.

**Message: "Loving Life Loving Christ!"**

**Scripture: John 1:1-4; 3:16-18; 10:10**  
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**STEWARDSHIP**

**February 8, 2015**

Attendance                      Offering

Sunday School	11	\$ 54.00
Morning Worship	16	\$ N/A

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*Our desire is to know Christ more each day and to make Him known to others. We pray each one who attends today will receive practical insight from the Lord into daily living whether through music, fellowship, personal reflection or preaching.*

*We all fell down, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It is useless for you to fight against my will. Acts 26:14 NLT*

Deeper thought for today

"It is hard for you to kick against the pricks" was a Greek proverb, but it was also familiar to the Jews and anyone who made a living in agriculture. An ox goad was a stick with a pointed piece of iron on its tip used to prod the oxen when plowing. The farmer would prick the animal to steer it in the right direction. Sometimes the animal would rebel by kicking out at the prick, and this would result in the prick being driven even further into its flesh. In essence, the more an ox rebelled, the more it suffered. Thus, Jesus' words to Saul on the road to Damascus: "It is hard for you to kick against the pricks."

*Might have it more abundantly [John 10:10] - Literally, that they may have abundance, or that which abounds. The word denotes that which is not absolutely essential to life, but which is superadded to make life happy. They shall not merely have life - simple, bare existence - but they shall have all those superadded things which are needful to make that life eminently blessed and happy. It would be vast mercy to keep men merely from annihilation or hell; but Jesus will give them eternal joy, peace, the society of the blessed, and all those exalted means of felicity which are prepared for them in the world of glory. Albert Barnes'*

**Announcements**

**Good morning! We welcome you to worship & experience the love of the Lord with us!**

- **Happy Birthday to:**  
**Lucy Lightfoot, Tuesday, February 17 and John Wyrick, Thursday, February 19.**
- **Happy Anniversary to:**  
**Wayne & Helen Wyrick, Wednesday, February 18.**
- **Our February Missions Offering** (collected last Sunday to go to the **Kokomo Rescue Mission's "Walk a Mile in My Shoes")** was \$ 229. Thanks to all who gave!

## YEARLY MEETING NEWS

**Belize Friends School** has purchased a 21-passenger school bus that was recently imported by a local hotel whose corporate headquarters then determined it wasn't needed. The local manager was hoping to resell it for a profit, but when he learned that Friends would be using it for ministry, he agreed to sell it for just what it cost him. The bus will be a great asset as it will be used for many school functions.

**Quaker Haven Sap Run:** QHC will offer their third Sap Run 5k, March 14! They will collect maple sap to make delicious syrup. Come and compete with friends, work on your personal time, or just walk the one mile "Sap Stroll." Funds raised by this event support youth ministries at Quaker Haven. Race registration opens at 7:30 am and the run begins at 9 am. Following the race, awards will be presented during a pancake breakfast. The fee is \$25 which includes your entry, long sleeved shirt, and breakfast! If you are just coming to enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes, breakfast is \$8 for adults / \$5 under age 13. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 10:30. For registration go to <http://quakerhaven.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/2015-saprun-regist.pdf>.

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IYM superintendent, Doug Shoemaker recently expressed a desire to have the church serve as prayer partners in his ministry. His itinerary will appear in the bulletin to help us pray for his work and the work of IYM. Thank you for coming alongside in intercession.

### Doug's Schedule

Feb 22      Speaking at Westfield Friends  
Mar 1        Speaking at Maple Run Friends  
Mar 8        Speaking at Lynn Friends

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### Men's Lunches

We are going to schedule a couple "guy times" again. These will be mostly food and sharing with a short devotional mixed in! See you on **February 25** @ Tipton Jim Dandy and **March 11** @ Kokomo IHOP!

### 112 NEW YOU

Ron is asking any who would share their story regarding the first time they made a commitment to Christ to let him know. John is a very "evangelical" book and as we study it, we want to hear modern stories of, "As many as received Him (Christ) to them gave he the power to become children of God" (John 1:12)

### Pi Dash

There will be a 5.14 k run/walk held on **March 14** at 9:26 am in Hemlock. Mt Gilead Baptist is sponsoring it and more information is available on their Facebook page.