

Happy New Year!



FRIENDS

AT THE

SPRING

1ST MONTH

YEAR 2016

DATE

Jan 3

Jan 10

Jan 17

Jan 24

Jan 31

Worship leaders this month are Grimm and Dottie Hobbs. Any details will be announced on the Spring Friends List.



PEACE AROUND THE WORLD IN 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Monthly meeting for business will be January 17th at 9:30 a.m.
Bring a breakfast item to share.

Adult 1st day school will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 10:00 a.m. The dates are Jan. 10th and Jan. 24th.

To assist with the refugee crisis, Spring Friends will take a special collection for the UNHCR (United Nation High Commission for Refugees) on the 3rd Sunday of each month starting in January, 2016.

Spring Friends Winter Dinner will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. in the hut. This will be a carry-in meal.

Kara and Cindy recently attended an American Friends Service Committee on Immigration, and wish to bring a sampling of information to Spring Friends at the Winter Dinner. Come and enjoy good food, fellowship and information about immigration.

Worship leaders are needed to sign up for 2016.

Ron and Elizabeth will be sending Kevin a care package the end of January. If you would like to contribute a small item please bring to Spring. Also, if you would like to help to contribute wiring money or the shipping cost of the package please let Ron know.

INFORMATION: Submitted by Marolyn McDiarmid

Jeff Thigpen, Guilford Register of Deeds, spoke about the 1774 to 1826 **Slave Deeds** project at the NC Friends Historical Society annual meeting in November. Jeff had discovered 254 such deeds and worked with Guilford College Historical Library staff and the UNCG library to create an exhibit based on the deeds at the Civil Rights Museum in Greensboro last September.

Of interest to Quakers, are records of Vestal Coffin and the Quaker Society purchasing slaves for the purpose of manumission. In one instance, the Quaker Society is recorded as purchasing 14 slaves at one time. The records are digitalized and can be viewed by going to the Guilford Register of Deeds website or google search Guilford County NC Slave Deeds. The site is easy to search by name and the actual record can be viewed with names and purchased amounts. For instance Vestal Coffin purchased a man named Dick, age 35, for \$200. The project has reconnected several African Americans with their family roots and there may be an exhibit in High Point 2016.



May peace be your gift and blessing all year through.

MANY BLESSINGS TO FRIENDS WITH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Abigail Fisher-Adams 3
Linda McBane 8
Zach Corsa 11
Lynette Russell 16
Jackson Osborne 18
Denny Wilkenson Corsa 22
Cameron Aydlett 24

Chuck Fager and
Wendy Michener 28

May your day be filled
with sunshine

May this be the beginning of
a wonderful year ahead

May you find plenty of
reasons to smile,

For every joy and happiness
on your special
birthday.



Our task must be to free ourselves
by widening our circle of compassion
to embrace all living things and
the whole of Nature and its Beauty.