



Friends at the Spring 11th Month, Year 2015

DATE	WORSHIP LEADERS	MESSAGE	CHILDRENS MESSAGE
Nov. 1	Ron & Elizabeth Osborne	Open Worship	TBA
Nov. 8	Jessie Talbott	Phoebe Hogue-Rodley	TBA
Nov. 15	Ron & Elizabeth Osborne	Kevin Muhanji via Skype	TBA
Nov. 22	Ron & Elizabeth Osborne	Yves Dusenge	TBA
Nov. 29	Ron & Elizabeth Osborne	Hymn Sing	TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

On Sunday, November 8th, Jessie Talbott will lead worship and there will be a brief memorial in the cemetery following worship as the ashes of her late father, Greg Talbott, are placed near his headstone. A potluck will follow. Greg Talbott was killed on November 4, 2005, in a workplace accident. He was a member and frequent music leader at Spring Friends.

On Saturday, November 7th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm there is Representative Body meeting at Rocky River Friends Meeting.

On Tuesday, November 10th at 6:30 p.m Spring Friends' Yearly Meeting Relations Committee will meet in the hut to discuss our way forward for the "new plan". Friends are welcome to attend.

On Sunday, November 22nd the meeting will have a lunch and showering of gifts for Sarah Osborne and Austin McCombie following worship at the hut. Lunch will be provided by Angie Osborne and Glenna Osborne. Friends may bring a dessert to share and a gift. Sarah is registered at Williams & Sonoma and Sears. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Angie at her work e-mail:

Angela.Osborne@alamance-nc.com or text or call her at 380-5054.

Adult 1st day school begins Nov. 8th at 10:00 a.m. It will continue on 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Monthly meeting for business will be November 15th at 9:30 a.m. Bring a breakfast item to share.

Spring Friends will be hosting a food drive for the CORA Food Pantry in Chatham County. We will be collecting food items at the back of the Meeting house until Nov. 22nd. Lori Phillips will be taking it all to the food pantry in Pittsboro the week after Thanksgiving, just in time for the Christmas Holidays. A list of food items that are needed was sent out in Spring Announce and there is a copy at the back of the meeting house for anyone to read.



“Special Announcement from Daryl and Jennifer”:

We would like to invite all children (of any age*) to participate in the Christmas pageant. We will have a few traditional vignettes for them to create. But we'd also like them to bring something of themselves to the pageant – sing a song, do a dance, read a poem, etc. or do any of those things with a friend or neighbor (who may not usually come to Spring).

We need to have all the participating children come to two meetings: One is on Sun, Nov. 29th at 9:15 a.m. We will go over the pageant, learn what the children want to do of their own making, (We've already had one person offer to play an instrument and another who wants to dance! We love that – the more the better!) and then, we will ask the children to sign up for what they'd like to do in the scenes.

After the 11:00 service on Nov. 29th, we will post who is doing what and in what order. And we'll have a few hints of costumes to give out, but will ask for help from parents on that. They must be simple! Nothing fancy or bought.

The second meeting will be **Sunday Dec. 6th** at 9 a.m. for a dress rehearsal of the Pageant, which will **presented in the 11:00 service.** We will need students to come in costume, bring whatever they need for their presentations, tape, cd, (we will have a cd player and tape recorder available) for the run-thru.

Thank you for supporting us in our efforts to coordinate this event!
Please feel free to make suggestions, call us, whatever. We want to make it easy and fun.

Peace, Daryl and Jennifer

*Adults are encouraged to participate in the last crowd scene coming to the manger to celebrate–and maybe others as needed!

PS Might there be someone who can play about 5 Christmas carols for us?



MANY BLESSINGS TO FRIENDS WITH BIRTHDAYS AND AN ANNIVERSARY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Angie Osborne	1
Francine Wicker	13
Suzanne Lowe	16
Wilson Osborne	18
Daryl Walker	29
Dan Perry	30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Cindy and Dan Perry 29



May your spirit reach new heights,
As freely as a butterfly's wings,
May your heart be filled with joy,
The profound joy of simple things.

May your journey continue in peace,
As serene as early morning dew,
May only flowers line your path,
This is our birthday wish for you.



And this our life, exempt from public haunt,
finds tongues in trees,
books in the running brooks,
sermons in stones
and good in everything,
I would not change it.

William Shakespeare

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS
18th day Tenth Month, 2015**

The Spring Friends Monthly Meeting for Worship With Attention to business met in the Fellowship Hall on the 18th day of the Tenth Month, 2015. Elizabeth Osborne, Clerk, opened the meeting with a moment of silence in memory of Jerry Russell, who died 10-17-15.

The minutes of the monthly meeting on 9-27-15 were read and approved with one minor correction. Mike Dodge presented the financial report for the ninth month, which was approved.

Jean Vollrath continued discussion from last month about a potluck and meorial service for Greg Talbott, who died ten years ago. November 8th was settled as the date for this service. Mike Dodge was scheduling the pressure washing, and a cleanup day was set for 10-31-15.

Jennifer Walker agreed to look at music resources and Kaitlyn Vogt came last week to play the piano. It was agreed that she would be asked to play on the 2nd and 4th First Days, with member/attender participation on other First Days.

Chuck Fager spoke briefly about the duties of local Monthly Meeting representatives to the Quaker House Board. It was agreed that any person(s) interested in being the Quaker House Board representative for Spring should contact the Nominating Committee.

Cindy Perry reported on her communications with New Garden Friends about their plans for hosting a Syrian Refugee family. At the present time, it is under consideration at New Garden, But they will be in touch with us when plans solidify.

Steve Phillips, Clerk of Ministry and Counsel, contacted Sarah Osborne and her intended regarding their upcoming wedding at the Meetinghouse.

Ellen Osborne thanked Ron Osborne and Will Osborne for planting a privette bush in honor of her parents, Robert A. Ayers and Glenn Crowder Ayers.

New Business:

Daryl Walker spoke about three items: 1) Planting apple trees near the marker for William Watlington Dow, along with some of his ashes; 2) The Children's Christmas Play will rehearse the First Day following Thanksgiving and will be performed 12-6-15; 3) Daryl updated the Meeting on the status of one of our friends.

The Yearly Meeting relations Committee met the prior week, and the YM sent a "way forward" document. It was agreed that Spring's response would include the August 2014 letter to the YM.

There was unity on adding positive ways forward, and the YM committee will meet again after Representative Body (11-7-15) at Rocky River).

It was agreed that we need peace in the YM.

The meeting ended at the Worship Hour approached.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Perry, Recording Clerk



Do not take lightly
small good deeds,
Believing they can
hardly help.

For drops of water
one by one,
In time can fill
a giant pot.

Patrul Rimpoche