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"Listening"

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10a

Watching any political talk show for just a few minutes will show us that listening is in short supply these days. Each commentator and guest are interrupting each other, trying to make their point before the other one is finished, and many times more than one is talking at the same time. This happens in our own conversations as well. Sometimes, we are so focused on what we are going to say that we fail to actually listen carefully to what the other person is saying. The Book of James in the Bible addresses this topic several times in this short book. He describes the tongue as a raging fire that corrupts our whole body.

We will be talking about some of the advice James gives to us that will help us interact with others as Jesus showed us by his example. We will be looking at some of the other practical advice that James gives us as kind of a handbook for how we should follow Jesus and his way.

I found myself wondering how I could apply this principle of listening more and talking less to my relationship with God. Many times my prayers are my talking to God about my needs or other people's needs. Seldom do I just sit and listen for that inner voice of guidance and insight that God promises will be ours as we walk with him. Deep listening is hard work. I think deep listening for God is even more difficult because we can't see him, and his voice is not audible, but we can discern his guidance as we practice. Sometimes, God's guidance or answer may come from another Christian who has a word of wisdom for us or a teaching on a scripture passage. Sometimes, we may gain the insight that God has for us by reading a book or observing something around us. Listening to God may take many forms, but it always includes an ongoing desire to be aware of God and to be open to receiving his Guidance and Truth.

Join us each week for worship. Come expecting to be strengthened in your walk with God and come expecting to listen closely for God's direction for your life.

David Brock

Gospel Sing – September 23

Join us for a wonderful time of worship through music at our annual Gospel Sing on Sunday, <u>September 23</u>, at 10:30 a.m. (during our regular worship service). Several people from our congregation – as well as the choir – will be sharing the Gospel message through special music. Join us on this inspirational journey!



Choir Practice for Gospel Sing \int

The choir will be singing a couple of songs for our upcoming Gospel Sing on September 23. We will practice on Tuesdays – <u>September 11 & 18</u>, from 6:30-7:30 pm.

We will work on familiar songs that are easy to put together quickly. **Rita Reeves** will direct, and Cathy will accompany the choir. Contact **Cathy Harris** if you have questions.

SFC Movie Night with Friends

Saturday, September 22 – Big screen featured film

will be "The Case for Christ." In 1980, Lee Strobel's award-winning, investigative reporting earns him a promotion to legal editor at the Chicago Tribune. Things at home aren't going nearly as well. His wife Leslie's newfound faith in Christ compels Lee to utilize his journalistic and legal training to try and disprove the claims of Christianity, pitting his resolute atheism against her growing faith. This is based on the true-life story of Lee & Leslie Strobel.

The movie will be shown in our Family Center on our big screen at 6:30 p.m. and it's free! Popcorn and drinks provided. Feel free to bring other snacks to share if you'd like – and don't forget to bring your friends and family! Everyone's welcome!

Worship Assistants for September

Scripture Readers

September 2 – Libby Henshaw September 9 – Tom Weber September 16 – Barbara Lacy September 23 – Gerald Darling September 30 – Kandi Rutledge

Junior Church

September 2 – Chris Harris September 9 – Cathy Harris September 16 – Megan Harris September 23 & 30 – No Junior Church

Hosts – Brian Thomas and Jessica Mitchell Children's Messages – Mike Van Osdol

Grief Support Group Starts September 6

A new GriefShare grief support group will be starting on Thursday evenings beginning <u>Septem-</u> <u>ber 6</u>. The class will offer support and encouragement after the death of a family member, loved one, or friend.

You are welcome to begin attending our GriefShare group at any point. Each session is "self-contained," and you can pick up missed sessions later. The class is led by **Janet Putnam** and **Cathy Harris** and meets 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Mary M Room. The class is free and open to anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. Contact Cathy or Janet if you'd like more information.

Please invite friends/co-workers who have lost loved ones and might find a grief support group beneficial. Brochures are in the Welcome Center.

Fall Book Study Set to Begin Oct. 3

Our fall book study will be for four Wednesdays – <u>October 3-24</u>, with a pitch-in meal at 6:00 p.m. and class from 6:45-7:45 pm.

The class will be led by **David Brock**, and we will be studying the book, *The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row*, by Anthony Ray Hinton.



Anthony Ray Hinton spent nearly 30 years on death row for crimes he didn't commit. He shares an amazing,

heartwarming story of how he emerged from his incarceration with a profound capacity to forgive. Released in April 2015, Hinton now speaks widely on prison reform and the power of faith and forgiveness. He lives in Alabama.

Books will be available for sale starting Sunday, September 16, and the cost is \$15 each. Take a book now and pay later, if you'd like. Make checks payable to Spiceland Friends Church. Books are also available at no cost if needed – see Cathy. A Kindle version is available on Amazon.

If you plan to participate and need child care, please contact **Cathy**, and we will be happy to arrange child care.

Walking Group Begins Soon!

Walkers – get your walking shoes ready! We will start meeting again on <u>September 10</u> in the Family Center!

The first two weeks, we will meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:00 am. After that, we will be meeting regularly on **Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m**.

Coffee, hot tea, bottled water, and good fellowship are also a part of these gatherings. Everyone is welcome to join us. Some folks like to walk quickly, while others walk at a much slower pace – and that's fine. Walk at your own pace, and stop and rest and have something to drink when you get tired. **Tom & Pam Pyle** and **Cathy Harris** are coordinating the walking group.



Please Remember in Prayer

Church Family

Doris Hoover – surgery Friday learts 🖯 Brian Thomas – surgery this week Prayers Pat Bogue – eye problem Betty Moffitt – recovering from fall Randy Coffman – knee replacement surgery Don Rutledge – surgery complications Esther Applegate – weakness L. J. Murray – lung cancer treatments Linda Brock – chemo treatments Sandy Alexander – leg wounds Eleanor Painter – chemo treatments & PET scan Bobby Thompson – health problems Phil Alexander – dialysis complications Irene & Monte Goodwin – health problems Youth Groups & College Students Unspoken prayer requests

Extended Family and Friends

Family of Dr. Elizabeth (Betty) Cobb – car accident victim Mike & Melinda Gerrish (Cathy Harris) car accident injuries Diane Retz – breast cancer Billy Pierce – heart attack; kidney problems Family of Jane Baker (Friend of Sandi Swann) Student of Susan Waymire – knee surgery McKenzie Clark (Debbie Denny) – Tri teen who suffered stroke Jackie Jones – dialysis Family of Charlotte Pew (Tommie Hunt) – cancer in pancreas & kidney Tom Applegate – cancer surgery Karen Reno (Pam Reno) – advanced cancer Jan Hurst (Judy Stevens) – advancing Parkinson's disease Our country and servicemen and women

Quaker Missionaries/Missions/FUM

Friends United Meeting Native American Friends Centers – Mesquakie, Kickapoo, Mowa-Choctaw Belize Friends School and New Friends Church Ramallah Friends School in Palestine Dale Graves – cancer treatments Shawn & Katrina McConaughey – car fire

Esther Applegate Will Soon Celebrate 90th Birthday!

Esther Applegate will be celebrating her 90th birthday on <u>Sunday, October 7</u>! In this month leading up to her birthday, Esther would love to hear from friends, family, and former students – send a card, write a note, or stop by her home for a visit to help her celebrate her birthday. Let's start celebrating now!

Her family is tentatively planning an Open House for her on <u>Sunday, October 7</u>, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. in the SFC Family Center assuming she feels up to it.

Esther has cared for the children of Spiceland Friends Church by overseeing the nursery for 57 years and training older youth to care for little ones along the way. The nursery was named the Esther Applegate Nursery several years ago in deep appreciation of her wonderful ministry to the children and youth of our church.

Happy 90th Birthday, Esther!

Congratulations

Congratulations and best wishes to **Wyatt &** Lacey Thompson upon the birth of their son – Nolan David – on July 24. Nolan weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz. and was 21.5" long. Congratulations also to Lisa & Brad Knotts and Steve Thompson, happy grandparents, and to Betty Moffitt, great-grandma.

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!

- Oct. 30 Set-up for Fall Festival, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 31 Fall Festival (Trunk or Treat)
- Nov. 6 Choir Practice Begins! 6:30 p.m. weekly TUESDAYS
- Nov. 8 Surviving the Holidays GriefShare Seminar, 6:30 P.M.
- Nov. 10 Holiday Bazaar
- Nov. 11 Recognize Veterans
- Dec. 2 Practice for Children/Youth Christmas Program, 9:30 a.m.
- Dec. 5 Family & Friends Advent Evening, Dinner, 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 9 Children/Youth Christmas Program during worship
- Dec. 9 All-church Christmas Dinner after worship
- Dec. 12 Family & Friends Advent Evening Dinner & Caroling, 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 21 "The Longest Night" Worship Service 6:00 p.m. with dinner following
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 9:00 p.m.

Spiceland Friends Cookbook Is Now Available!

On <u>September 9</u>, after church, I will have reprint copies of our 2006 Friends & Neighbors cookbook. Several folks had been mentioning



needing one, so we have them! I needed a new one because peach juice had been spilled on it

and was an ugly mess! Some had been loaned, lost or given as a gift and needed one. For whatever reason, we have just under 200 of them and would like to move them to your kitchen and out of our front room.

Just pick one up after church soon or call me. The cost is \$18.00 per copy. This is a few more dollars than the original because we didn't need to order so many and the cost is more for fewer copies. I will be in the Welcome Center for a few Sundays and display them in my booth at the church bazaar in November. It's a great cookbook with recipes from several that are no longer with us and a whole bunch from those still among us! Thank you so much!

- Pat Bogue (987-7594)

Changes of Address

Scott & Jessica Noteboom 10350 W Co. Rd. 800S Knightstown, IN 46148

Richard & Michelle Moore 1331 S Avenue New Castle, IN 47362



Sermon Topics for September

David Brock will be preaching the three remaining Sundays in September, and **Cathy Harris** and our musicians will be leading worship on September 23 for our annual Gospel Sing.

September 9

Sermon – "Outsiders" Scripture – Mark 7:24-37; James 2:1-10, 14-17

September 16

Sermon – "Final Answer" Scripture – Mark 8:27-38; James 3:1-12

> September 23 Gospel Sing

September 30 Sermon – "Praying for Others" Scripture – Mark 9:38-50; James 5:13-20

Youth Group Page (By Chris Harris)

Elementary Youth Activities (Grades 1-5)

Sept. 9 – 3:00-4:30 p.m., Youth Group meeting

- Sept. 23 Lunch after church & Guyer Opera House play, 11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Oct. 7 Lunch after church & Jacob's Orchard 11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Oct. 28 3:00-4:30 p.m., Youth Group meeting

Jr./Sr. High Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)

- Sept. 9 5:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Group meeting
- Sept. 16 4:00 p.m., free tutoring; 5:00-7:00 p.m. Youth Group
- Sept. 23 Lunch after church & Guyer Opera House play, 11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Sept. 30 4:00 p.m. free tutoring; 5:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Group
- Oct. 6 Tuttle's Orchard & wiener roast at Sims Lake, 4:00-8:00 p.m.
- Oct. 21 5:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Group meeting
- Oct. 28 5:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Group Halloween Party
- Oct. 31 5:00-7:30 p.m. Youth Group to help with Fall Festival in gym
- Nov. 2-4 Quaker Haven Camp Fall Impact Retreat

Youth Groups Head to the Theater – On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 23</u>, immediately following church, both Youth Groups will meet in the Family Center to eat lunch, and then we will head to the Guyer Opera House in Lewisville to see the play, "Snow White." Three of our SFC youth are in the play – Halle Chandler, Jacob Specht, and Gus Upchurch – so the youth groups will be going to watch and support. If any parents/grandparents want to help drive students, please contact Chris Harris at 317-498-9058 or harrisct@ umail.iu.edu or Cathy Harris at 765-465-0994 or cathy.spicelandfriends @gmail.com. Please RSVP if your child/grandchild will be coming.

Elementary Youth Group Orchard Trip – The Elementary Youth group will head to Jacob's Family Orchard on <u>Sunday, October 7</u>, for a fun-filled outing! We will eat lunch in the Fellowship Hall in the basement after church and then head to the orchard to pick out a pumpkin and eat the orchard's famous donuts! Then we'll head back to church and carve our pumpkins. Parents and siblings are welcome to go, and we will need some drivers. Please RSVP to Chris at 317-498-9058 or harrisct@umail.iu.edu. There is no cost.

Jr./Sr. High Youth Group Orchard Trip and Weiner Roast – On <u>Saturday, October 6</u>, The Jr./Sr. High Youth Group will head to Tuttle's Orchard (north-



west of Greenfield) to pick out a pumpkin and enjoy an apple cider slushy! Then we'll head to Sims Lake for a wiener roast and s'mores. We'll also carve our

pumpkins and play some games. Meet at the church at 4:00 p.m. and return to SFC at 8:00 p.m.

Jr./Sr. High Youth Trip to Fall Impact Retreat at Quaker Haven Camp – November 2-4, a fall retreat – "Fall Impact" – will be held at Quaker Haven Camp for youth in grades 6-12. This retreat focuses on service by giving back to the camp by helping the camp prepare for the winter season. There will also be a lot of fun activities and great food! We will leave SFC Friday afternoon sometime after school and will return to SFC Sunday at 4:00 p.m. The church will pay for students' way for the weekend. You can register online at http://qhc youthprogramming. com/ – click "register." See Chris for more details. Transportation will be provided.

Jr./Sr. High Quaker Haven Trip – The Jr./Sr. High went to Quaker Haven for an overnight trip on August 11-12. We had the chance to go zip lining where we put our trust in each other to the test as we climbed the 50 foot rock wall before zip lining



down. One of the other great experiences was the watermelon relay. Two teams carried a Crisco'd watermelon through the lake in a relay fashion. It went right down to

the wire. A Mennonite crowd had gathered on the beach and had begun cheering. Despite one team coming from behind and nearly overtaking the other, a fumbled watermelon sealed the result. Allegations that the winning team had used performance enhancing apparel were later dismissed, *(Continued on back)* despite strong evidence that the clothing had given them an unfair advantage.

We wrapped up the evening with lakeside devotions and a popcorn campfire. After breakfast we attended the boat-in church service. Memorably, the offering was collected from passing boats using a fish net. A truly wonderful trip.

Elementary Quaker Haven Trip – The Elementary Youth Group also went to Quaker Haven in August. Despite pouring rain all of the way up and back from camp, it did not rain at all while we were there. We took a hike all over camp, showing the kids what all of the facilities and cabins looked like. We also were given the chance to go on a pontoon boat ride. We were able to see nearly all of Dewart Lake, including an eagle's nest. When we returned, the kids were so excited to go swimming that no one bothered to change into their suits before jumping into the lake. We swam all afternoon. Ice cream on the way home only made the day all the more perfect.

Note of Thanks

"I would like to thank <u>everyone</u> at Spiceland Friends Church for all their support – donations – help for my Lemonade Stand/Car Show. Just think of all the people in Kenya that we gave clean water to."

- Jacob Specht

Welcome Cub Scouts and Scouts USA – Pack & Troop #472!

Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in Pack & Troop #472 will begin meeting in our basement this fall

the week after Labor Day. This fall girls will be allowed to fully participate in Cub Scouts, and in January, girls will be allowed to fully participate in Boy Scouts



(and the Boy Scouts name will change to Scouts USA in January).

Cub Scouts (ages 5-10) will meet on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 p.m., and the Scouts USA Troop (ages 11-18) will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the basement.

Scouts (Continued)

All boys and girls interested in participating are encouraged to come. For more information, contact Kyle Shanholtzer (317-498-3995) or Sandy Willard (Cub Scouts – 765-686-2597) or Amanda Poindexter (Scouts USA – 765-624-8537). Please invite any student to come and participate.

Our Trustees gave approval for the scouts to begin meeting in our facility and for our church family to be their new chartering organization. The scouts have placed their display case in the Welcome Center so that we can see some of their accomplishments and the history of their Pack/ Troop.

New Association 2018 Annual Gathering for Nurture and Fellowship

The New Association of Friends is having its annual Gathering for Nurture and Fellowship on <u>Saturday, September 22</u>, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at First Friends Meeting in New Castle.

The keynote speaker will be Scott Wagoner, and this year's theme is "Flourishing as Friends for the Future." Scott is the pastor of Deep River Friends in High Point, North Carolina, and the former Assistant Superintendent of Indiana Yearly Meeting.

Cost for adults is \$15, which includes lunch. Children ages 10 and under are free. We are asked to pre-register so they can plan food for lunch. Forms are available in the Welcome Center or go online at www.newassociationoffriends.org.

Our church is part of the New Association of Friends, and this is a great opportunity to enjoy fellowship with folks from other Quaker meetings, as well as enjoy a time of worship, a great program, and a Bible study. More information is available in the Family Center on the table.

Check Your Cabinets

Are you missing any of your pie plates, Tupperware bowls, casserole dishes, etc.? They might be in the church kitchen. There is a wide selection of dishes/cookware that need to be reunited with their owners.