

# Des Moines Valley Friends Meeting JUNE 2021 FRIENDLY LINE



## Query #11 SOCIAL & ECONOMIC JUSTICE DISCUSSED WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021

*For when I was hungry  
you gave me food, when  
thirsty you gave me drink,  
when I was a stranger  
you took me into your  
home, when naked you  
clothed me, when in  
prison you visited me.*

--- Matthew 25:35-36

Just two Friends participated in the May query discussion. We had an intimate discussion, based on personal responses to query #11 and the activities and community of Des Moines Valley Friends Meeting. We also talked a little about how we might engage more DMVF members/attenders to participate in the queries. One idea was to take a break from addressing the queries directly and do something a little different, as some meetings do, for example, discussing the testimonies in our Faith and Practice, which offer a lot of rich spiritual nurture and instruction.

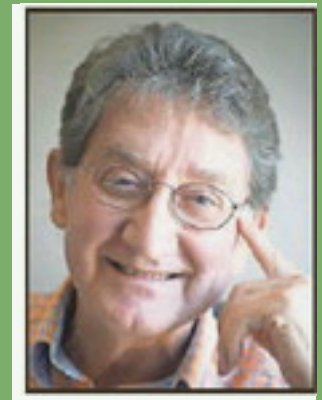
### QUERIES:

We felt that there are many ways that we have been beneficiaries of inequity and exploitation, most often benefitting from the country's long history of

preferencing white people and families who had land. We felt that our eyes have been opened in recent years to underlying racism that pervades our society, which for most of our lives, we were only vaguely aware of and felt like we were not personally involved in. It is still hard to know how to respond constructively to address this awareness, though we are trying to learn how to be nonracist or anti-racist. Even learning and using the appropriate terms can be daunting sometimes.

We appreciate that our meetings and yearly meeting (and many in society) are trying to learn more and be more respectful of the concerns and claims of black and indigenous Americans. But we know we need to do more.

At times, we probably are victims of the U.S. and global history of inequity and exploitation, too. Especially in terms of limiting our circles and understanding and blunting our sensitivity and compassion. This history has also made and continues to make our country and world less stable, friendly places where all can thrive.



## CHARLIE DAY CELEBRATION OF LIFE

JUNE 12, 2021  
family requested  
that it be held at Iles  
funeral home — Iles  
Westover Funeral Home  
6337 Hickman Rd.,  
Des Moines, IA.

There will be a time where  
you can share your memories  
with others in attendance.

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It is a challenge to know how to address these things, besides learning and trying to be open to opportunities, even if they are uncomfortable. We are open to learning more about the ideas of those promoting reparations. Certainly, some reparations and apologies as a country seem justified, to acknowledge wrongs done to slaves and indigenous peoples and how those many wrongs have hurt the economic and emotional well-being of many people of color.

Giving money to groups that are doing good work, including on anti-racism, is one thing we have done, along with attending related meetings, dialogues and discussions on issues of social and economic justice. Past personal (and to some extent, Meeting) involvement in refugee resettlement and Habitat for Humanity are efforts that both participants felt good about.

As a Meeting, providing facilities at the Meeting House for Mutual Aid efforts to serve the houseless is one thing we are glad to support, though most of this has been indirect. Also providing very limited support for the Des Moines sanctuary effort. We appreciate the commitment of those who have served in such ways and have shared some of their experiences and what they have learned.

We are proud to be part of a faith community known for service in correctional institutions, especially in recent decades, through the Alternatives to Violence Program/AVP, though neither of us have yet been involved in such activities. It is an important area, and we hope after COVID, that AVP involvement can revive. We would like to find more ways to support it in the future. One participant was especially proud of her young adult child's work to befriend immigrants/asylum seekers arrested and detained in prison and provide some support for them.

We believe one important way to improve our understanding of those who are driven to violence by subjection to racial, economic or political injustice, is to continue to believe there is God in everyone and to listen respectfully to others' stories. We believe that if we had a society that values everyone – of all genders, races and socio-economic classes, the world would be so much happier, safer and better off economically.

-- Respectfully submitted  
by Ann Robinson

## JUNE QUERY #6 EDUCATION

### ADVICE

Friends seek an education which integrates our intellectual, emotional and spiritual dimensions and enables us to face difficult moral issues with courage.

While the religious education of our children is primarily the concern of parents, everyone benefits when the entire meeting is concerned with nurturing them. If a spirit of common concern is present, children will gain a sense of belonging to the larger community, and, knowing they are loved and respected, will be able to face the mysteries of life with trust.

Friends promote learning throughout life and encourage freedom of thought and inquiry in all educational pursuits. Our complex and changing world demands that we learn to think and act creatively to meet its challenges.

### QUERY

How can we most effectively foster a spirit of inquiry and a loving and understanding attitude toward life?

What effort are we making to become a better acquainted with the Bible, the teachings of Jesus,

our Judeo-Christian heritage, the history and principles of Friends and the contributions of other religions and philosophies to our spiritual heritage?

In what ways can we encourage an educational process that is consistent with the values Friends cherish? How do gender-based expectations affect the goals we set and the way we learn?

Do we take an active and supportive interest in schools, libraries and other educational resources in our communities and elsewhere?

How do we prepare ourselves and our children to play active roles in a changing world?

## Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Minutes 05/9/21

**Attending:** Dorothy Lifka, clerk; Deborah Fisch, assistant clerk; Kelsie Gillespie; Virginia Smith; Catherine Dietz-Kilen; Billie Wade; Ann Robinson; Janice Falb.

Meeting for worship with attention to business was opened near the appointed hour with a time of worship and the clerk sharing the following quote by Henri Nouwen. *True ministry must be mutual.*

### Minutes for Previous Month

— No additions or corrections were brought forward. The clerk advises that if someone does notice an error or omission within the next week, and gets it to the recording clerk, Deborah Fisch, the minutes saved for future reference will be corrected prior to inserting them into the "official" minute book. If anything is reported other than a minor change, it

will also be mentioned in next month's *Friendly Line*.

### **Treasurer's Report** (Kelsea

Gillespie) – At the end of March we found ourselves 75% through our fiscal year, with 103% of our anticipated income received, and 70% of our budgeted expenses accrued.

The interim treasurer referred a matter regarding Zoom fees to the Finance Committee. A member had been allowing DMVF to use her personal Zoom account, and the Finance Committee decided partial reimbursement was appropriate. The Finance Committee will reimburse the member for the full Zoom fee for this fiscal year until we reach 80% of the total fees, as the member had covered 3.5 months for Meeting in the previous fiscal year. From there, 80% of each monthly Zoom fee will be reimbursed by Meeting, with reimbursement continuing until Meeting creates its own Zoom account.

**05.21.01** – We received the monthly report from interim treasurer, Kelsea Gillespie. Even though we are in a good place with 103% of income for the fiscal year received as of this report, the treasurer asks that F/ friends continue to give generously. We have some uncertainties down the road, such as resolution of new arrangements with Friends House since the departure of AFSC, as well as other unknowns. Also, some of our usual annual costs have been lower because the meetinghouse has been closed during the COVID-19 pandemic and we anticipate those costs will go back up as full use of the meetinghouse returns.

We appreciate all Kelsea is doing to help Meeting continue to discern and move into its new practices for the position of treasurer and the treasurer's relationships with the assistant

treasurer and Finance Committee to help continue to make reports clear and Meeting's financial obligations tracked and paid for in as timely manner as possible.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Finance Committee Report**

(Catherine Dietz-Kilen, convener; Ann Robinson, recorder) –  
04/28/2021

**Attending:** Catherine Dietz-Kilen, convener; Dick Douglass; Ann Robinson; Kelsea Gillespie, treasurer; Cindy Winchell, assistant treasurer

Kelsea presented an updated financial report. As soon as she has the March statement, she will send it to committee members to approve prior to meeting for worship with attention to business.

### **Old Business**

#### **1. Policy regarding confidentiality of donations** –

The following draft was approved to present to Meeting.

*It is the policy and practice of Des Moines Valley Friends (DMVF) to maintain the confidentiality of its donors as much as reasonably possible. DMVF will not publish a list of its donors. The identity of donors, and the amounts of donations, shall be available to the treasurer and assistant treasurer, who may disclose information to other members of DMVF as they deem it necessary and prudent to do so. All members who are aware of the identity of donors are asked to use their discretion and maintain the confidentiality of the information.*

#### **2. Edco/Financial Plus Account** –

We will close the account after receipt of the April statement and all checks are cleared. When last charges are checked – for safety deposit box key and small cost for copies of checks – the balance will go in the EBank account.

#### **3. How long to retain financial records** – The

committee continues to do research on the correct amount of time a non-profit should retain financial records for legal purposes.

### **New Business**

**1. Review of generalized donor data** – We reviewed generalized donor data regarding finances that Kelsea had prepared. There is a clear need to expand support. Ann will put item in *Friendly Line* to share a bit of this information and encourage people to consider their level of support for the long-term health of the Meeting.

**2. Zoom account reimbursement** – We discussed reimbursement for the Zoom account. As the Meeting has used Ann Robinson's personal Zoom account for meeting for worship, childcare, First Day School, and sometimes committee meetings and queries, the committee decided to reimburse this expense for the months during this fiscal year, at \$16/month. This will not be a full reimbursement, but Ann also uses the Zoom account for IYMC and sometimes family/work purposes. This expense was budgeted in this year's clerk's expenses, and the Zoom account is now transitioning to a Meeting account.

**3. Proposed donation for technology upgrades** – We discussed a proposed donation for technology upgrades that has been generously offered to help the Meeting to provide a hybrid meeting in the future and to make sure that all who need additional technology to worship via Zoom are able to connect. We appreciate the generous spirit of the donor but have some concerns that we have to be careful of the process so that funds are not going to a specific person, which could violate tax rules. We considered that possibility it could be available as a scholarship. Maybe the first step is for Catherine and Kelsea

to meet with the donor to get more information.

We see this potentially as two separate donations – one for technology for the Meeting and one to help individuals to connect. We could possibly recommend that Ministry and Counsel consider how to set up and manage the funds. Also, there is a need to check in with Ad Hoc Tech Committee to get an idea of how much they think would be needed – ideally should be added to budget?

#### **4. Proposed descriptions**

– The committee reviewed proposed descriptions for finance committee, treasurer and assistant treasurer – The treasurer and Convener will consider changes based on comments from the committee and a revised version will be considered next time. Committee members are invited to share additional input.

**5. Proposal for Inactive designated funds** – There are currently six small, designated funds on the Meeting's financial report that have been inactive for two years or more, without any specific plans for use.

The Finance Committee recommends that the Kitchen Plumbing Fund balance of \$150 be transferred to the Property Management Fund, and the Kitchen Plumbing Fund be closed.

The committee also recommends that the funds in the following designated accounts be transferred to the Meeting's general reserves, and the accounts closed:

CO Program Fund - \$200

Advertising Fund - \$105

Carla Barton Memorial Fund - \$30

Pat Dickinson Memorial Fund - \$50

John Finley Memorial Fund - \$275

**6. Review of initial budget proposal for new fiscal year** – We started to review an initial budget proposal for the next fiscal year, which will be the

focus next month. Catherine has been hearing from committees. Most are happy with budget line items as they were this year. Line items that will likely need to be increased include cleaning (as we move back to the meeting house) and technology/Zoom/wifi. There is also a lot of uncertainty about budgeting and future finances related to transitions at Friends House.

**05.21.02** – We are grateful for the work the Finance Committee has done considering who besides the treasurer can be informed considering confidentiality of donors. We approve the proposed new donor confidentiality policy as stated in the above report.

**05.21.03** – We approved the plans of the committee for how and when to close the Edco/Financial Plus Account and move remaining balance to the E-bank account.

**05.21.04** – We share a concern about information gained from the generalized donor data report prepared by the interim treasurer and approve the committee following up on the some of the specific concerns a donation short-fall sometime in Meeting's future could mean for Meeting if F/friends and families are not able to increase their annual giving or income is not increased by donations other than annual giving.

**05.21.05** – We appreciate the careful consideration the committee has done concerning what to do with six designated funds that have not been active for two or more years and approve those recommendations, which are in the Finance Committee Report printed above.

**06.21.06** – We approve of the Finance Committee's recommended plan for reimbursing Ann Robinson for extra costs she has accrued in upgrading her private Zoom account so more Des Moines Valley F/people could meet at a time/for longer periods of time. Ann's sharing of her Zoom account with Meeting has allowed us to carry on virtual meetings for worship, business meetings, First Day classes, Second Hours, monthly meetings for consideration and response to the Yearly Meeting Advice & Queries, and committee meetings, during the COVID-19 pandemic. We express great appreciation to Ann for upgrading her personal Zoom account so we could continue to worship together, be in community together and carry on the work of the Meeting. We thank her for continued use of her Zoom account until which time Meeting can get an account of their own.

#### **Ministry & Counsel Report**

(Gordon Bivens, convener) – In addition to general concern for the status of the spiritual health of Meeting and concerns for those in it with special needs, the committee has recently engaged in meaningful discussions with the Friends House Transition Committee about steps toward establishing satisfactory arrangements between Meeting and other tenants in Friends House. Those meetings have helped inform M&C and, hopefully, served the Transition Committee by helping them move toward more clarity of its steps toward finalization of new by-laws and understandings

between the other tenants in Friends House and Meeting.

Also, M&C, at the request of the meeting clerk, has named an ad hoc committee to develop ways to transition as smoothly as possible as more people return to worship in the meetinghouse and those who need to, or choose to, continue to worship remotely without diminishing the spirituality of Meeting. This is meant to build on the work of the Technology Committee that has worked out means of technically combining in-person worship and virtual participation. The ad hoc committee has met once and will be continuing (although not anticipated to exist for a long time) to consider what practices will make maximum use of the potential of combined services. Members of the ad hoc committee include Katie Jacoby (convener), Matthew Gillespie, Jan Falb, Charlie Brown, Bob Henderson, David Drake, and Billie Wade.

05.21.07 – We received the report of the M&C Committee and are pleased to learn that an ad hoc committee has been named to look into what kind of equipment will be needed for Meeting to continue to offer attendance via Zoom for members and attenders who live at a distance from Des Moines, as well as for those who cannot attend any given meeting for worship, committee meeting or other event at the meetinghouse due to illness, scheduling or work conflict, or travel. We appreciate the committee will be looking for equipment that: is reliable; has both good speakers and good microphones so everyone can hear ministry in worship and comments in a business meetings whether joining via Zoom or the meetinghouse; has a camera that provides a clear picture of the meeting room and those seated there for those joining us on Zoom; a display screen big enough those in the meetinghouse can see who is

speaking via Zoom; and an intuitive enough operation system that several F/friends will be able to understand how to run the equipment in the meetinghouse.

### **Edna Griffin Mutual Aid**

**(EGMA) Report** (Deborah Fisch and Peter Clay, liaisons) – Deborah reported on behalf of Peter and herself. Peter will likely be spending a good part of his summer at his family's forested property being available for things that may come up during logging season. Therefore, Deborah will be the primary liaison person Edna Griffin Mutual Aid from 05/01 through at least 09/21. Peter has already informed his contacts with EGMA of that up-coming change and has given Ari and Deborah each other's contact information should they have questions or concerns regarding their use of our kitchen.

The group continues to be happy to have the use of Meeting's kitchen as the staging space for the hot meals they continue to serve to the homeless/houseless (primarily those living in the Des Moines area "tent city.") They are aware that some Friends have begun using the meetinghouse on a regular basis.

05.21.08 – We thank Peter for his service as primary contact person with the people from EGMA and are glad Deborah will be able to step in so Peter can be free to travel this summer. Peter has given Deborah and Arianna Calleja each other's contact information and Deborah plans to try to get in touch with her soon.

### **New Business**

#### **Hosting Meetings for Worship for New Hybrid**

**Meetings** – The clerk brought up the need for us to return to having hosts for each First Day meeting for worship since we are

now using the meetinghouse again. She also suggested that we begin appointing F/friends as Zoom hosts. For well over a year the job of Zoom host for our meeting has usually fallen to the clerk. Hosting duties at the meetinghouse will be different than prior to the pandemic. It will not include providing snacks for after meeting for worship, but it will involve getting the computer, speakers, etc. in place and getting the meetinghouse Zoom turned on and later, turning it off and put away.

The host for those attending via Zoom will need to be get on the Zoom site a little early so s/he can greet people when they come into the virtual meeting space, welcome any new attenders and via chat help them become acquainted with what to expect during worship and after, getting contact info, etc. The host will have use of the host controls so, for example, s/he/they could temporarily mute someone who had forgotten to turn on their own mute and their dog started barking up a storm and/or their phone started ringing. They might also be the person to call on Friends for Joys & Concerns following worship.

We continue to consider these merged meetings a sort of "holy experiment" for Friends of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and we will continue to tweak our new practices as needed.

05.21.09 – We approve of the idea of resuming the volunteer role of hosting for meeting for worship at the meetinghouse, as well as the idea of having someone other than the clerk serve as host for those on Zoom. We ask people willing to serve in either role to contact Cindy Winchell, convener of the Hospitality Committee. We ask the Hospitality Committee to work with Meeting clerk to bring proposed job descriptions for both hosting positions at a future meeting for worship for business.

## **2021 Annual Sessions of Iowa Yearly Meeting**

**(Conservative)** (Ann Robinson & Andrea Holveck on behalf of members of the Entertainment Committee) – Des Moines Valley, Penn Valley, and Ames Meetings make up this year's Entertainment Committee for annual sessions of IYMC (07/22 to 25/2021). Annual sessions will be held via Zoom again this summer. The committee is meeting every other week. Tentative plans for Collection speakers, First Day Pre-meeting, Bible study, etc. as well as the tentative schedule are now available on the IYMC website – [www.IYMC.org](http://www.IYMC.org). The committee is still working to finalize workshops and liaison with guest speakers with the hopes that all will run even more smoothly than last year.

Like all IYMC monthly meetings, Des Moines Valley will be expected to appoint members to serve on Yearly Meeting several standing committees as well as committees that generally only meet during Annual Sessions. A list of those committees and brief description of their work will be included at the end of these minutes. Please let Cindy Winchell, the DSM Valley member serving on the IYMC Nominating Committee, know if you are interested in learning more about the work of a specific committee or would be able and willing to serve on a committee. We need several F/friends from DSM Valley to help take up the work of IYMC. Remember those who serve on YM committees and attend annual sessions will be able to join in the discernment about future activities offered by Yearly Meeting, and also have the opportunity to get to know other Quakers of all ages who have similar understandings of how they are feeling called as a Friend to live in the wider world! IYMC is a great place to meet

people with whom you share common beliefs and with whom might become life-long F/friends.

Ann and Andrea underscored the need for more of our members and attenders to attend annual sessions more regularly. Friends serving on the Entertainment Committee from DSM Valley include: Ann Robinson (co-convener), Andrea Holveck, Peter Clay, Deborah Fisch, David Drake, Jim Dietz-Kilen.

### **Meeting concludes**

There being no more business, the clerk closed the meeting with a brief time of worship. The next business meeting is scheduled for 06/13/2021. This will be the last scheduled meeting for worship with attention to business for the 2021 fiscal year.

### **Reports Received After Business Meeting**

**Peace & Social Committee Report** (Patty Wengert, convener) –David Drake, Jack Holveck and Patty Wengert met via Zoom at noon on Tuesday 05/04. Patti McKee is recuperating, and Peter Clay was in route to Michigan.

David brought up that having a number of independent active peace groups sometimes results in a splintering effect as we work toward mutual goals.

He is also on the board of a Catholic Peace Ministries. We discussed that dilemma. Patty pointed out that Iowa Peace Network tries to post events from all groups that join their on-line notice system, both in print and online. David mentioned the possibility of a Des Moines Iowa Peace Coalition.

Jack expressed concerns over the current AFSC transition.

Patty reminded Friends that we have tried to make coalitions by the annual local activities we support, such as: Alternative Holiday Gifts sale,

Des Moines Area Religious Council's annual December program, the Tax Day protests, the on-going Thursday Action Day at noon, the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Commemoration for Peace, the Palm Sunday procession, the Bishop Dingman Dinner, the International Peace Day, the International Women's Day, the Environmental Day of Action, as well as the area Alternative to Violence Program and participation.

We look forward to meeting in person in the Fall for our soup lunches.

We did not make additional donations at this time.

## **Yearly Meeting Committees Needing Meeting Volunteers to Serve Representatives Committee**

– (up to two members) This is a standing committee, meets several times during annual sessions, particularly when we are able to meet in person at Scattergood. And, as a standing committee, it will likely meet several times between annual sessions (Prior to the pandemic it sometimes met only once in person outside of annual sessions and then used conference calling for other meetings. Now the committee uses Zoom for its meetings. Representatives are responsible for proposing a new budget for each new fiscal year (07/01/YY to 06/30/YZ, the same as our meeting's fiscal year) and discerning and bringing forward for approval names for YM clerk, assistant clerk; treasurer; assistant treasurer; and statistical recorder annually. (There is no recording clerk at Yearly Meeting, as the clerk of Meeting writes and proposes minutes for approval.)

During Annual Sessions the Representatives also appoint people to serve as: Announcement person in the Dining Hall; Readers for each

session (They help read aloud the reports during business sessions.); Epistles Committee (Two F/friends who write the epistles share about what happened at our annual sessions that is sent to yearly meetings in the US and around the world and special epistles to the other sister Conservative yearly meetings – Ohio YM and North Carolina YM (C); Reporters (Two people appointed to write articles about annual sessions for *Friends Journal*); Exercise Committee (Three or more F/friends appointed to write down how Annual Sessions were exercised by the Spirit, mostly by recording the vocal ministry given during times of worship, during business meeting if it is clear someone is not commenting, but called to give ministry, or during other times such as during worship prior to Collection, etc. This helps show us where the Spirit was moving during annual sessions.)

**Interim Meeting Representatives** – (up to two people to serve) Interim Meeting is held during Midyear Meeting and any other time business of the Yearly Meeting needs to be taken up prior to the next annual sessions. Representatives are expected to attend Midyear Meeting or find someone else to serve in their stead.

**Ministry & Counsel Committee** – (up to two members) This committee has the spiritual nurture of YM meetings, preparative meetings, and worship groups in its care and receives and reviews the State of the Meeting Reports from all meetings prior to annual sessions. It is now also responsible for receiving, reviewing, and preparing a brief summary on the Religious Education Committee Reports from the monthly meetings.

**Nominating Committee** – (up to two members) This committee nominates people to serve on all other Yearly Meeting

committees such as P&SC; Book Table (They select titles for the book table that may be of interest to F/friends); Archives (They collect and maintain on the Scattergood campus vintage books by Quaker authors, a collection of each minutes book of IYMC and the *Disciplines of YM* through the years, etc.); Document Committee (It is usually a meeting and they receive all the epistles from other yearly meetings and discern a selection of passages reflecting both the similar and unique ways that the Spirit has been moving in them in the last year.); Midyear Meeting Planning Committee; Junior Yearly Meeting/young Friends Planning Committee; Pendle Hill Scholarship Committee; Publications Committee (Lays out and gets the minute books out each year, as well as *Faith & Practice the Discipline of Iowa Yearly Meeting, Conservative*; and any other publication approved by YM; Special Needs Committee (Looks for ways to make Annual Sessions more accessible for people of all ages and differing physical abilities.); Website/Computer Committee (Maintains and updates the YM website); Yearly Meeting Trustees, etc.

Nominating Committee also appoints F/friends to serve as our representatives to wider Quaker bodies including: Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) General Committee; American Friends Service Committee (AFSC); Iowa Peace Network (IPN); Friends Peace Teams (FPT); Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC); Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) Steering Committee.

During years we are able to meet together each meeting is also asked to appoint at least one person to the Caretakers Committee, which makes sure YM guests' needs are taken care of as much as possible; Have water pitchers and glasses on

the clerk's table during business sessions and during Collection for the presenters. They also make sure cold water and glasses are available outside the meetinghouse and outside the Main for all attenders and assign rooms for committee meeting space.

## **News of our Friends**

### **Thea Steinbach Graduates**

Thea Steinbach is graduating from the Des Moines Public School Virtual Academy. She will be attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY in the fall. She plans to study engineering.

### **Celebration of Charlie Day**

Charlie Day passed on March 12, 2021. There will be a memorial on June 12, 2021.

Details are:

**What:** A Celebration of Charlie Day's Life

**Where:** Iles Westover Funeral Home (6337 Hickman Rd., Des Moines, IA.)

**When:** Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021... 1:00pm to 3:pm

### **Fred & Sandie Nelson's Travels & More....**

Fred Nelson has retired from Iowa Legal Aid on April 23, 2021.

Fred and Sandie returned from visiting family in SW Iowa and Arizona. On May 2-3, they visited Fred's brothers (2) and their wives. From there, they explored NE Oklahoma on way to Arizona and time with son, Dan and Nicole and their family in Cottonwood. Dan & Nicole continue to foster three children: 8 month infant, Elli, and soon to be 2 year old, Bruce, and soon to be 3 year old, Devin...all siblings. They also saw Sandie's sister, Cindy, and her family and

Sandie's soon to be 93 year old Mom in Oracle, Arizona. A fun trip!

**Meeting Hosts:**

SUSPENDED MEETING AT MEETING HOUSE DUE TO CORONA VIRUS

**Child Care:**

SUSPENDED AT MEETING HOUSE DUE TO CORONA VIRUS.

Find us **online** at:  
[www.desmoinesvalleyfriends.org](http://www.desmoinesvalleyfriends.org)

Check out our Facebook group for members/attenders. If you'd like to be added, email Jan Falb, at [jfalb0326@yahoo.com](mailto:jfalb0326@yahoo.com)

**Building & Grounds:**

Any question about the building or grounds of the Meeting-house can be directed to Building & Grounds Committee Convener, **Charlie Brown, 515/689-6470.**

**Hospitality Committee:**

If we are running low on kitchen or bathroom supplies or if you see a housekeeping problem that needs attention, please contact the Hospitality Committee Co-Conveners, **Cindy Winchell, 515/720-5516 & Charlie Brown, 515/689-6470**

**Meeting for Worship**, 10 a.m. Worship by Zoom via email invitation from clerk, or outside the meeting house (weather permitting) - in-person meetings in meeting house are now held but if you wish zoom will continue due to corona virus.

**Meeting for Worship with attention to Business**, 1:00 to 2:00 pm. second First Day each month - currently on zoom due to corona virus.

**Friendly Line:**

Please send info for next Friendly Line to Ann Robinson no later than June 25, 2021, the last Friday of month, at [anny@mediacombb.net](mailto:anny@mediacombb.net)