

## **India Yearly Meeting Epistle**

Epistle to Friends Everywhere

Loving Greetings to Friends, from the 101 annual gathering of Mid India Yearly Meeting Itarsi. Friends from Itarsi, Sohagpur, Hoshangabad, Seoni-Malwa and Kheda gathered in worship in the Friends Church, George Fox hall Itarsi. The sixty gathered Friends also included Young Friends.

This year's theme "...that faith without works is dead."(James 2:20) drew good thoughts from the meeting and provided time for quiet reflections. Faith necessarily should accompany with works thus disseminating the life and light of Christ through us towards His creation. As "faith works by love"(Galatians 5:6), we pray that all creation may be made whole with our lived faith.

We heard reports and shared queries from Monthly Meetings of Itarsi, Hoshangabad, Mission Kheda, Sohagpur and Seoni-Malwa. We thanked God for the successful operation of projects for underprivileged and disadvantaged children being run in Itarsi. We hope and pray that similar work will begin in other Meetings.

Friends recalled the Quaker history of India and a few Friends in the meeting remembered the works and contributions of Indian Friends. We decided to document the works of Friends in Hindi.

We send our love to Friends everywhere.

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