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Indiana Yearly Meeting Reconfiguration Task Force,

Lynn Friends Ministry and Oversight has been in prayer and seeking discernment on the reconfiguration of Indiana Yearly Meeting. This has been a topic of great concern for all of us, not just the division of the Yearly Meeting and its authority over the Monthly Meetings, but to the lack of regard to the authority and of the scriptures themselves. 2 Timothy 3:16 tells us that all scripture is God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. We at Lynn Friends take this to heart and believe it to be the truth. We also believe that the scriptures are the only sound doctrine.

In regards to which Yearly Meeting plan to follow, Yearly Meeting A or Yearly Meeting B, we at Lynn Friends can only find Yearly Meeting B as an appropriate guideline for Leadership within the Yearly Meeting. We strongly urge the Reconfiguration Task Force to adopt the Yearly Meeting B. There is also a consensus within our Monthly Meeting that this needs to be accomplished before the end of 2012. Prolonging this process will only add to the division within the Yearly Meeting.

Our prayers will continue to be with the Task Force and their efforts to discern God's will for the Quaker Faith and Indiana Yearly Meeting.

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