

## District Ministers

**Harriet and Ron Finney, District Ministers of the South Central Indiana District** have served in that capacity for ten years. They are announcing their retirement, effective March 31, 2004. Their future plans are only partially clear to them. They want to *pursue some new areas of interests such as genealogy and the dulcimer*. Also, travel is in their plans and spending more time with family. They will continue to serve the church in ways that will fit their new lifestyle. We extend our best wishes and prayers as they enter a new phase of their lives.

## National Young Adult Conference

**Have you heard?! The first ever National Young Adult Conference will be held**

**June 14-18, 2004!** Young adults (ages 18-35) register for NYAC between January 1 and April 15, 2004. Participants will gather in the Rocky Mountains for a week of spiritual growth, fellowship, and fun. Twice a day worship services will feature outstanding speakers like **Tony Compolo, Angie Lahman Yoder, Stan Noffsinger, Susan Boyer, and Belita Mitchell**. Padares, or workshops, and community groups will meet daily.

Hiking, swimming, volleyball, and other recreation options will round out the afternoon schedule. For more information, contact: Becky Ullom, NYAC Coordinator, 800-323-8039, x 286, [nyac2004\\_gb@brethren.org](mailto:nyac2004_gb@brethren.org), [www.nyac2004.org](http://www.nyac2004.org). Cost - \$225.



## Christmas Shopping Started? Special Giving Opportunities

Consider giving to **Heifer International**, a hunger program begun in 1944 by the Church of the Brethren to help families become self-sufficient. Now an independent, ecumenical organization, Heifer's mission is to work with communities around the world to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth, and they currently have several Special Giving Opportunities to help achieve that mission. There are opportunities to help families and communities become self-reliant and have the chance for a bright and happy future. Make it a **family project** to give rather than always being on the receiving end. Help put a dent in hunger and poverty this Christmas. Go to the following website to see how you can help others.

[http://www.heifer.org/giving\\_prog/sp\\_appeals.htm](http://www.heifer.org/giving_prog/sp_appeals.htm)

## Seniors Beware

AARP Indiana, Indianapolis Senior Citizens' Center, US Postal Service, Senior Sentinels, Indianapolis Police Department and concerned community partners will present a **Financial Fraud Forum**. US Postal, AARP, and the Indianapolis Police Department present this free information to you. It is open to all private citizens, non-profits, and businesses. It will be held **Friday, November 7, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Indianapolis Senior Citizens' Center, 708 E. Michigan Street**. Learn to protect yourself from:

- Charity Fraud
- Identity Theft
- Predatory Home Loans (Free refreshments and door prizes! You may RSVP to 263-6272.)

