



January/February 2016

MARCK MESSENGER

Child Evangelism Fellowship of
Morrow-Ashland-Richland-Crawford-Knox-Counties of Ohio

“That’s What Christmas is All About...”



Highlights of What God Did at Christmas Across America (CAA) Parties!

Kirsten DeVito, the principal at Prospect Elementary School in Mansfield, let us give CAA invitations to all the 267 students of the school. God brought out 50 students to the Christmas party (see picture above) on December 16. At this party, lead by Patty Arvidson, 19 children were saved. Grace Fellowship Church is now planning to start a Good News Club® at this school starting in January, the Lord willing with Patty Arvidson & Joyce Malainy teaching! With all 9 parties together 120 children were reached this Christmas, 34 kids saved and 20 assurances! To God be the glory!

Will you prayerfully consider reaching lost children next Christmas with CEF?

Planning now to reach children without Christ! More info visit: www.ChristmasAcrossAmerica.com



CEF of MARCK Local Committee: (L to R) Gail Graham, Mark Boyd, Kaye Hahn, Patty Arvidson, Sue Packard, Annie McQuate, Fred Pursley, Shirley Davidson, Dale Baer and Randy Boquist playing the piano. On behalf of all on the CEF Local Committee, “Merry Christmas & God bless you in 2016”.



Sue Packard acting as “Mary” (Jesus’ mother) at the Christmas Across America Party at the Salvation Army in downtown Mansfield. There were 23 kids at this party and all of them responded to the invitation (14 saved & 9 assurances).



Blessings of Coins 4 Kids

- 6 of the 33 churches involved in the fall gave more this year than the previous year of participation. 4 churches will participate this winter.
- 4 new churches participated this year!
- A total of 70 churches have participated in Coins 4 Kids since it's beginning in 2007.
- For the opportunity to connect with churches and individuals in ways we have not in the past.

2015 Donations given in memory of loved ones:

In Memory of:	Donor:
Morgan Baer	Dale Baer
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A BIG thank you to the following churches for their partnership through Coins 4 Kids in 2015:



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| Ankenytown Grace Brethren | First Alliance Church, Mansfield | Johnsville Mennonite Church |
| Berean Baptist Church | First Alliance Church, Bucyrus | Lexington Grace Brethren |
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| Crossroads | Grace Fellowship Church | Peoples' Baptist |
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| Edison Enterprise Baptist | Heartland Alliance | Southview Grace Brethren |
| Faith Baptist, Ontario | Impact Worship Center | Taylortown Community |
| | | Westwood Alliance Church |

January 2016 Praise and Prayer



- 1) Happy New Year everyone! Trust in the Lord and Jesus, God's Son!
- 2) Praise God for 9 Christmas Across America parties in our chapter!(120 reached & 34 saved!)
- 3) "The Lord is GREAT in Zion, and He is exalted above all the peoples" (Psalm 99:2).
- 4) Pray for 2 more volunteers to help at the Stingel Good News Club for 8 weeks. (Jan & Feb)
- 5) Praise God for the Bellville GNCs starting up!
- 6) Praise God for **Peggy Wallis** (former GNC teacher) who's cancer is not spreading!
- 7) Pray for the follow up for the **Christmas Across America (CAA)** parties last month.
- 8) **Thank God for our Local Committee.** Pray for God's provision for a Chairman.
- 9) Pray for God's blessing on the **PRAYER MEETING** today (9-10 AM) at the CEF Office.
- 10) "**O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wonderful things...**" (Psalm 98:1).
- 11) God, please help Dale Baer grow spiritually as he continues as the CEF Local Director.
- 12) Father God, bless the CEF Local Committee as they meet tonight. Grant them vision.
- 13) Thank God for financial provision for new

- staff member, **Patty Arvidson**. Guide her as she prepares to go to CMI next month.
- 14) Please pray for the Bellville Good News Clubs (3 of them) starting today for God's help!
- 15) Thank you, Lord for over \$11,000 that came in for the Coins 4 Kids fundraiser so far!
- 16) Thank you, God, for **Shirley Davidson**, our CEF Fundraising Coordinator.
- 17) Thank God for 4 churches who are doing the Coins 4 Kids fundraiser in the winter.
- 18) Please provide the CEF International Office with the funds necessary to continue in excellence helping more children to know Christ.
- 19) Thank God for 37 churches who partnered with CEF for the Coins 4 Kids fundraiser.
- 20) Thank God for **Ellie Hitchman**, our CEF Prayer Coordinator.
- 21) Jesus, give the CEF Ohio State Board wisdom as they meet and make decisions.
- 22) Lord, make me a soul on fire for you! You are such a wonderful God! I love you so much! Reveal Yourself to me in new ways each day of my life, in Jesus' Name and for Your GLORY!
- 23) **CEF Valentine's Party/Ministry of Paul** Training today (10-12 Noon) at CEF Office.

- 24) Thank God for committee member **Mark Boyd** who is the local and state Treasurer for CEF. Pray for strength and wisdom for him.
- 25) **CEF Valentine's Party/Ministry of Paul** Training today (7—9 PM) at CEF Office.
- 26) Pray for wisdom as we complete the application for this year's "In His Steps" Grant.
- 27) Pray for the 2016 CEF National Conference taking place May 16-20 in Asheville, NC.
- 28) Father, help children and staff experience your love through Christians (Jn. 13:35).
- 29) May children and adults who have been hurt by Christians find healing & forgiveness.
- 30) Lord, help children and adults follow, revere and serve You even on the weekends (Dt. 13:4).
- 31) **CYIA® (Christian Youth In Action®) Training 2016 is June 12—18. Pray for many youth & adults to plan to go again this year!**

February 2016 Praise and Prayer



- 1) Pray for **CEF Press** in Warrenton, MO, as they prepare and print materials for ministry.
- 2) Pray that CEF of MARCK will do more **Christmas Across America™** parties again in 2016.
- 3) Bless **Patty Arvidson** as she teaches Good News Clubs. Help many children understand the truth of the Gospel and come to know Jesus!
- 4) Thank God for **Ashland Brethren In Christ Church** for sponsoring the Taft GNC in Ashland.
- 5) Thank God for **Gail Wahl, Ashland County Coordinator** of the Good News Clubs.
- 6) Lord, encourage those children who are struggling with their studies. Protect them from feelings of worthlessness (1 Thess 5:14).
- 7) **Prayer meeting today @ 3 PM** at the Lexington High School in the parking lot next to the Board of Education office.
- 8) Father God, help the GNC teachers teach kids about **Jesus as God of Power & Glory!**
- 9) Father God, bless the **CEF Local Committee** as they meet tonight. Please provide more committee members from Crawford, Knox & Morrow counties!
- 10) Lord, help **Mark & Kathy Horner** (CEF State Directors) as they prepare for CYIA again.

- 11) Pray for **Jonathan Falwell** as he prepares to speak at our CEF Banquet on Monday, April 11th.
- 12) Give us unity as we work together as a CEF family: Staff, committee & volunteers.
- 13) Praise God for 22 after school Good News Clubs reaching children with the Gospel!
- 14) **VALENTINE'S DAY!** Pray that many children will experience your AGAPE love today!
- 15) Praise God for almost 600 children reached in the 18 GNCs & 112 saved as of November, 2015.
- 16) Pray for people to make plans now to attend the CEF National Conference (May 16-20) in NC.
- 17) God, let Your Word go out in power at GNC. Thank God for a growing ministry in Knox County. Ask Him to guide and bless there.
- 18) Pray for more people to register now for the **Teaching Children Effectively™** Level 1 Course starting on August 4th (12 week-2 & 1/2 hrs/wk).
- 19) Thank God for **Diamond Hills Baptist Church** which adopted Eastview GNC.
- 20) Thank God for **Berean Baptist Church** and for their willingness to adopt the GNC at Western Elementary School in Lexington.
- 21) "Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; make known his deeds among the peoples" (1 Chron. 16:8).

- 22) Continue to pray for **Nancy Krieger** (Eastern GNC in Lexington) and her husband, John, who has Lou Gehrig's disease and needs God's help.
- 23) Thank you, Jesus, for **Cornerstone Grace Brethren Church** which adopted the Sherman Elementary School GNC in Mansfield.
- 24) Lord, bless the GNC at Reagan Elementary School in Ashland & **Mary Elkins**, the teacher.
- 25) Pray for this last day of the **Stingel GNC** that the kids will want to keep growing in Christ!
- 26) Pray for **Sharma Swanger & Fred Pursley** as they teach Central & Western GNCs in Lexington each week.
- 27) **Easter Party Training Today (10-12 Noon)** at the CEF Office. "Jesus Gives Life & Hope"
- 28) Pray for **Patty Arvidson** as she drives to CMI™ (Childrens' Ministries Institute™) in Warrenton, MO today where she will be for 1 and 1/2 months.
- 29) **Easter Party Training Today (7—9 PM)** at the CEF Office. "Jesus Gives Life & Hope"



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Join us for prayer! Saturday,
January 9, 2016 (9–10 AM)



Four Biblical Reminders About Tough Relationships This Christmas and New Year!

(Adapted from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association)

“There’s no place like home for the holidays.” Or so the jolly old song goes. But for many, family time around the holidays makes them stressed, anxious and anything but merry.

Billy Graham once said, **“Love does more to solve our problems than anything else does.”** And it’s true. If you are genuinely ready to mend broken relationships, extending love is the best first step.

“Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things”
(1 Corinthians 13:7.

So, whether it is during Christmas or any time of the year, let’s try putting

these four reminders to practice this Christmas and in 2016:

- 1) **Extend Forgiveness:** “Love bears all things”: Let’s forgive others and not let our pride get in the way of making amends.
- 2) **See the Good First:** “Believes all things”: Let’s truly love others and offer them the “benefit of the doubt”.
- 3) **Believe It Will Get Better:** “Hopes all things”: Billy Graham said, “Love and hatred cannot exist in our hearts at the same time”.
- 4) **Keep Pressing:** “Endures all things”: Love does not give up. It doesn’t fade away. It doesn’t drift or shuffle. It presses on no matter what.

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Staff and Local Committee

Local Director: Dale Baer

Missionary Fieldworker: Patty Arvidson

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Prayer Coordinator: Ellie Hitchman

Ashland County Coord: Gail Wahl

Enrichment Opportunities Coming Soon!

Two IDENTICAL Sessions
(Same Location)

January 23 (10-Noon)

“Jesus Gives Life & Hope”

(Valentine’s Day Party)

And Paul helps

Location: CEF Office
(827 Lexington Ave.,
Mansfield, OH 44907)

January 25 (7-9 PM)

Two MORE IDENTICAL Sessions
(Same Location)

February 27 (10-Noon)

“Jesus Gives Life & Hope”

(Easter Party)

“Jesus Gives Life & Hope”

Location: CEF Office
(827 Lexington Ave.,
Mansfield, OH 44907)

February 29 (7-9 PM)

RSVP (419-756-7799) 1 week Prior to the Trainings above.