



MARCK Messenger

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

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Spring has Sprung!

Pauline Bullock, Knox County Coordinator

Greetings from CEF of Knox County! How thankful I am to finally see spring arrive and the snowy winter dissipate. New growth is everywhere with flowering trees and bushes, the spring flowers popping up and our green grass returning once again. Thank you Lord for the beautiful seasons you have given us to enjoy.

As daylight savings springs forward, so is the CEF ministry of Knox County. Patty Arvidson, Annie Ferguson and I wrapped up our Knox County Zoom GNC for 2021. The Lord blessed with a salvation of a 4th grade boy, praying to receive the Lord the last day of the meeting for

our Easter Party online. CEF Local Committee member, Connie Rhodebeck, had spoken at the March Knox Network of Christian Ministries, where all the Pastors and ministers of Knox County meet monthly. Connie beautifully shared the vision of CEF and it was well received.

It is exciting to anticipate what God has in store for Knox County as meetings and plans line up for a new JYC™ (J You Connection™) for the youth of Mount Vernon for the fall at a community center called "Escape Zone". Dave & Lois Carter arranged for Dale Baer and me to meet with two of

their board members, Karen Bush and Terry Walter, about having a JYC there at the youth center. The Escape Zone offers many wonderful services and activities for Mount Vernon Youth ages 12 to 18. Many of these young people face various challenges in their homes. What a blessing to see such an opportunity touch their lives with CEF and the hope of Christ! It was truly an answer to my prayers because I was asking the Lord to raise up a JYC once again in the Mount Vernon Middle School in the fall. This is even better for reaching hurting youth of Mount Vernon! God is so good!



Pauline Bullock & Patty Arvidson

Thoughtful Questions

Patty Arvidson



Kids always amaze me with the questions they ask. Sometimes I wonder if they are really listening, then they ask a question, and you know they are really thinking about what you

just said. I was teaching lessons leading up to the Easter lesson. Jesus was in the garden praying. In the picture I held Jesus had tears on his face. A little five year old girl raised her hand and asked why He was crying. I explained that He had a hard job to do, but He wanted to obey God the Father and die on the cross. Her next question led right where I wanted the lesson to go. She said, "Why did God

want Jesus to die?" I noticed she was listening very carefully to the explanation that Jesus had to die for our sins so we could have a relationship with Him. Please pray for these "little ones" to really understand the true meaning of Easter and why Jesus died and rose again. This little one now has a good understanding of the Savior.

Do you have old Bibles, Curriculum you want to donate?

Love Packages is an organization that will receive used Bibles, etc. and send them overseas.

Contact them:
Lovepackages.org



Zoom! Zoom! Zoom!

Patty Arvidson

It was Tuesday again and another GNC on zoom. This was the sixth lesson in the series...the review party lesson. I was a little nervous about how well it would go. The week before, the Internet service had been so poor that some of the kids lost connection or just gave up. They kept complaining that it was "glitchy," or they just gave up

and left. I did the preparation and a lot of praying. We had about ten kids sign on, and it was a lot of fun. They played "Dethrone the King or Queen" as a memory verse review and really used their imagination pretending to pass the crown to one another through the screen and place it on their head. We also played the "Tic Tac Toe" to review

the Bible lessons. They really had fun. The boys won! The kids really participated well in singing and doing the actions as well. God came through again. This week we have an Easter party club. I'm looking forward to it!



Gearing up for Summer Ministry



Teens at the CYIA Spring Retreat—2021

The Lord blessed the 2021 State wide **Christian Youth In Action® (CYIA™)** Spring Retreat at Inspiration Hills Camp with renewed relationships and excitement for reaching children again this summer with the gospel.

God gave us perfect weather to enjoy lots of outdoor sports like soccer, human foosball, gaga ball, volleyball and capture the flag! Plus we showed the youth what the summer curriculum looks like.

Four youth (Kelsey Vore, Olivia Hubert, Nick Nagel and Adam Shelton) attended from our local area and are hopefully planning to be involved in serving this summer. The deadline for CYIA applications is May 15. The summer training will be held at Cedarville University again this year (June 13-19).

We are thankful for some scholarships (\$350/student) available for the first ten students who apply and are accepted.

Make your life count for Jesus this summer!

You can be involved in helping children discover the Lord Jesus as their Savior this summer! You can host, help or teach a 5-Day Club® this summer.

Train^{ing} is available for experienced teachers and also for first time workers.

Overview Training

Two dates to choose from:

Identical trainings are at the same location.

Saturday, May 29 (9 AM—12 Noon)

Ontario United Methodist Church & Zoom

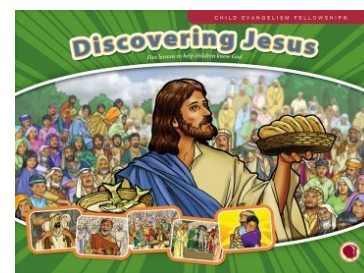
(3540 Park Avenue West
Ontario, OH 44906)

OR

Tuesday, June 1st (6—9 PM)

We also have a week-long training for youth and adults at **Cedarville University**
June 13—19, 2021.

4 Levels of Training: Jr. CYIA (12 to 13 yr. old youth), SMA (Summer Missionary Assistants), Sr. CYIA and TCE™ Level 1.

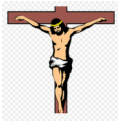


5-Day Club Theme—2021

Teaching Children Effectively™ Level 1

This course will be offered at Cedarville University (June 13-19) and we will also be teaching this course locally starting on August 12 (6:30—9:00 PM). Please call the CEF Office (419-756-7799) for a registration form if you are interested in this life-changing course to better equip you to share the gospel with children and help them to grow in Christ.





CEF of MARCK April 2021 PRAISE & PRAYER



- 1) **Fundraising RSVP deadline April 2 for Alex McFarland on April 13. Please pray.**
- 2) **Good Friday.** Thanks be to the Lamb of God who takes away our sin!
- 3) Thank God for **Ellie Hitchman**, our CEF Prayer Coordinator. Lord, thank You for the faithful prayers of many.
- 4) **Easter Sunday! Jesus has risen from the dead! He is RISEN INDEED!**
- 5) Ask God to comfort committee member **Sue Packard** in the loss of her mother.
- 6) Thank God for the **Good News Club®** at Ontario UMC meeting on Thursdays.
- 7) Praise God for His mercy and grace.
- 8) Pray for God's blessing on the CEF of MARCK **Local Committee meeting tonight.**
- 9) Ask God to provide teachers willing to take the **Teaching Children Effectively™** Level 1 course again this summer/fall.
- 10) Pray for **Patty Arvidson**, as she continues to faithfully serve the LORD with CEF.

- 11) Thank Jehovah Jireh that He will provide who we need to come on staff in a **Ministry Coordinator Position.**
- 12) Pray for final prep for tomorrow eve.
- 13) **CEF Fundraising event.** Please pray for Dr. Alex McFarland as he speaks this eve.
- 14) **Praise God for the fact that He is our Jehovah Jireh, our PROVIDER!**
- 15) Pray for continued vision and direction for **Reese Kauffman** (CEF President).
- 16) Thank God for our Treasurer, **Mark Boyd** who is also CEF of Ohio Treasurer.
- 17) For the Lord to provide more adults willing to take training to teach GNCs.
- 18) Pray for saved children to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus.
- 19) Ask God for wisdom & guidance for **Director, Dale Baer**, as he plans for future.
- 20) **TODAY is the RSVP deadline for the Volunteer Appreciation on April 29.** Thank the Lord for all our volunteers!

- 21) Ask **Jehovah Jireh** to provide 5-Day Club® hostesses for this summer and also for ten young people to do CYIA.
- 22) Pray for people to register for the two 5-Day Club trainings coming up.
- 23) Pray for new church partnerships to conduct more Good News Clubs.
- 24) **Thank God for FREEDOM IN CHRIST!**
- 25) Pray for churches and individuals to partner with CEF & 5-Day Clubs this year.
- 26) **Praise: Almost 400 children reached in ministry this year and 84 saved so far!**
- 27) Pray for final prep for **CEF International virtual conference May 3-7.**
- 28) Pray for the final preparations for the **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner tomorrow.**
- 29) Pray for **Dale Hudson** who speaks this evening at the **CEF Volunteer Evening.**
- 30) Lord, bless the **CEF State of Ohio staff meeting today on Zoom.**



May 2021 PRAISE & PRAYER

- 1) Pray for Dale as he teaches **Zoom TCE 1** classes with Kathy Horner today.
- 2) **Praise God for His FAITHFULNESS, LOVE, MERCY and His HOLINESS!**
- 3) Pray for God's blessings on the **CEF International Digital Conference May 3-7.**
- 4) Pray for the summer **5-Day Club®** ministry and for many volunteers to help.
- 5) Praise the Lord for a good team of CYIA willing to give of their time to reach kids for the Lord Jesus Christ this summer!
- 6) **National Day of Prayer TODAY!**
- 7) Pray for people willing to open their back-yard for a summer 5-Day Club.
- 8) Thank God for growing ministry in Knox County. Ask God to continue to bless and guide the ministry there.
- 9) **Mother's Day!** Thank God for all of our mothers today and pray for them!
- 10) Ask God for more churches/individuals to host 5-Day Clubs.

- 11) Pray for the youth to mail in their CYIA application forms by the May 15th deadline.
- 12) Ask God for help and direction for CYIA and summer ministry.
- 13) Pray for the **Local Committee** as they form subcommittees. (Meeting this eve.)
- 14) Pray for **Pauline Bullock** (CEF Knox County Coord) as she works to expand the CEF ministry in Knox county.
- 15) Pray for wisdom for **Kathy Horner** (CEF Director of Ed in OH) as she leads.
- 16) Praise the Lord for all the youth and adults preparing for CYIA Training in June.
- 17) Pray for all the instructors that they will prepare their sessions well in advance.
- 18) Lord, thank you for the spring season and for all the beauty of God's creation!
- 19) Pray for children that they will remember that Jesus loves them and cares for them.
- 20) Pray for the **Fueled By Prayer** ministry. Pray for more people willing to pray for 5 minutes/day and for more monitors as well.

- 21) Pray for **Matt Baer** as he hosts our first 5-Day Club this summer in his backyard June 21-25. Pray for good weather.
- 22) Pray for Sue and daughter, Sarah, as they make final wedding preparations for June 5th!
- 23) Thank God for new life in Christ!
- 24) Thank God for the open doors for **5-Day Clubs** to take place this summer.
- 25) Pray for TCE instructors and students as they prepare for Cedarville TCE in June.
- 26) Ask Jehovah Jireh to provide more CEF workers worldwide to share of Jesus!
- 27) Pray for the children for safety as they finish up school this week for another year.
- 28) Praise God from whom all blessings flow! **"The Lord is my LIGHT"** (Ps. 27:1).
- 29) Pray for God's blessing on the **5-Day Club Training** today (9 AM-12 Noon)
- 30) Pray for **CEF Press** as they prepare and print materials for ministry.
- 31) Pray for more people to come to the **5-Day Club Overview Training on June 1.**

Two Special Speakers Coming to Mansfield in April!



Dr. Alex McFarland

REMINDERS!

CEF of MARCK Fundraising Event

Tuesday, April 13 (6:30—8:30 PM)
 Dr. Alex McFarland—Author and apologist
 Berean Baptist Church (2145 Middle Bellville Rd.,
 Mansfield, OH in the gym)
 RSVP (419-745-7799) Deadline: April 2

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Thursday, April 29 (6:30—8:30 PM)
 Dale Hudson, Children’s Ministry speaker/author
 Berean Baptist Church (same as above)
 RSVP (419-756-7799) Deadline: April 20



Dale Hudson

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Summer Camp Changes Lives!

Would you like your child or grandchild to experience a week this summer full of lots of fun (swimming, crafts, hiking) as well as an opportunity to grow in Christ?

That’s what **Camp Good News™** is all about! Every day is full of fun and is well supervised by screened volunteers.

Each day is full of activities centered on Christ and include things like: prayer, Bible study, evening

chapels, missions, nightly devos, helping children feed on God’s Word.

August 1-6, 2021

Camp Burton

(14282 Butternut Rd., Burton, OH)

Cost: \$220

Limited number of campers (Ages 8-12)

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