



MARCK Messenger

Child Evangelism Fellowship® of

Morrow-Ashland-Richland-Crawford-Knox Counties

June/July 2021

Partnering to reach Junior Highers



L to R: Pauline Bullock, Karen Bush, David & Lois Carter and Terry Walter

We are so thankful for six people who are excited to take the J You Connection™ (JYCT™) training scheduled for August 27-28. After completing the training, the plan is to start a JYC at the Escape Zone in Mt. Vernon. Escape Zone is a sports recreation center used to reach out to youth with the Good News of Jesus. CEF is partnering with Escape Zone to begin a J You Connection (J is for Jesus!) group with interested young teens.

Pictured to the left are those who are prayerfully planning to help reach these young people this fall. We were encouraged to hear that many prayer walks have taken place in this part of Mt. Vernon asking God to bring healing, help and hope to people of all ages by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Please pray with us for God to move in a mighty way drawing the next generation to know Jesus Christ as their Lord, Savior, Redeemer and friend! God is on the MOVE! If you are interested in taking this training to help Junior Highers discover God's plan for their lives, then call the CEF Office (419-756-7799) to register.

Do you remember what you felt like when you were in Jr. High? I have vivid memories of feeling nervous, very shy and wondering how I was going to make friends going to a new school.

Changed Lives, One at a Time

Melinda Shaum has been an enthusiastic volunteer and leader of Good News Clubs, 5 Day Club, and now plans to start a J You Connection at Ontario's middle school. She is an active member at Ontario United Methodist and has a supportive group to help with their involvement in sharing Jesus with the children of Ontario School System. When asked how she has seen the Lord at work in the lives of her Good News Club students, she replied with mentioning two students in particular.

A fifth grade boy would tell us about how his Sunday school lesson would relate to the Good News Club Bible lesson. He would make comments such as, "God knew what was in her heart" after the Rahab lesson, or when talking to a class bully, he

said, "maybe he just doesn't know Jesus or maybe he hasn't learned that someone loves him. I will try to be his friend and tell him about Jesus." This young man was excited to know that we will begin a J You Connection middle school club next year for the Ontario middle school.

A female first grade student was an attentive listener during the Bible lesson. She always had her hand up to answer one of the review questions. She looked up the memory verse in her Bible, needing our help to find it, but then we began to notice that if someone at her table had not answered a review question, she would whisper the answer to another child. She began putting others first and she would look at the person and smile.

Melinda expressed excitement to see how children's faith continues to grow and is anticipating how the summer

5-Day Club and next year's Good News Club will continue to be places to foster growth.



The above was from the last day of Good News Club in Ontario

It was celebrated with special ice cream snacks, and outside games like SPUD, as shown in the above picture! The kids have enjoyed earning an extra "thumbs up" when they wear their Good News Club shirt to club. We sent them home with a special gallon size goody bag with many fun things to enjoy and eat.

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Pray for these Magnificent Students!



Nick Nagel



Tucker Lukas



Hannah Pierson



Pauline Bullock



Ann McKinley



Annie Ferguson

Please pray for these teens and adults who are taking the weeklong training at Cedarville University (June 13-19). Nick is planning to be a Summer Missionary Assistant (SMA). Tucker and Hannah will be taking the Jr. CYIA training to be 5-Day Club helpers. Pauline and Ann will be taking the Sr. CYIA training to prepare them to teach summer 5-Day Clubs. Annie will be taking the Teaching Children Effectively Level 1 course which will help her for summer ministry and also for teaching Good News Clubs this fall. We have 21 summer 5-Day Clubs planned right now which also includes 8 clubs that Mansfield Alliance Church leads!

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June 2021 Praise and Prayer



- 1) Praise God for 5 Christian Youth In Action® (CYIA™) being trained in June!
- 2) Praise God for 21 summer 5-Day Clubs planned so far to reach children for Jesus!
- 3) Praise God that the COVID mask requirement has been removed for Ohio.
- 4) Pray for 6 people (4 youth & 2 adults) as they start CYIA Pre-Training today.
- 5) Wedding of Alex Seher and Sarah Baer.
- 6) Praise God for giving us the warmer days of summer finally! God is good!
- 7) Pray for Pastor Steve & Sarah Jackson as they will be hosting a 5DC this week!
- 8) Pray for God's blessing on the training today for CYIA on the Wordless Book.
- 9) Pray for all those being evaluated on their Wordless Book practicums today.
- 10) Pray for those demonstrating their missionary stories will do well today.
- 11) Praise God for 31 students being trained at the CEF state-wide training this coming week at Cedarville University!
- 12) Pray for Beth Wells as she hosts a 5DC this coming week in Mansfield.



- 13) Traveling mercies for all going to CYIA Training at Cedarville University.
- 14) Pray for youth to be open to begin new friendships & desire to worship God!
- 15) Pray for wisdom for **Kyle Latchaw** who is the CEF of Ohio State Director and for the many decisions he needs to make.
- 16) Pray a weekly 5DC starting today at the Ashland YMCA led by Mary Elkins.
- 17) Pray for Kathy Horner for wisdom as she leads the CYIA training all this week.
- 18) Pray for all the CYIA today as they will be conducting 1-Day Clubs. Pray for many children to be saved today!
- 19) Praise the Lord for all those CYIA students who will finish training today! Pray for safety for them as they go home.
- 20) Father's Day! Pray for God's blessing on fathers as they discern their role in life. Help fathers to take their role seriously as the spiritual leader of the family.
- 21) Pray for the 5-Day Club starting today at Matt Baer's backyard in Mansfield. Pray for all the CYIA to be able to work together at this club in unity.

- 22) Thank God for our Treasurer, Mark Boyd. He's also CEF of Ohio Treasurer.
- 23) Pray for new church partnerships to conduct more Good News Clubs.
- 24) Praise God for Mansfield Alliance Church as they are leading eight 5-Day Clubs this summer!
- 25) Pray for more people to host & help with the summer 5-Day Clubs®.
- 26) Praise God for 96 children saved so far this year in our local CEF chapter!
- 27) Pray for Ron & Jan Bolesky as they are hosting a 5DC this week also. They are co-hosting a club with their neighbors, Lori & Brent Stephens!
- 28) Pray for David & Lois Carter as they host and teach a 5DC this week!
- 29) Pray for God's blessing on the 5-Day Club at the Ontario UMC this week. Pray also for Nick Nagel as he teaches the missionary story of Mary Slessor.
- 30) Pray for more kids all around us to come to know Jesus as their Savior!



"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:10

July 2021 Praise and Prayer

- 1) Canada Day! Pray for our Canadian friends who are still COVID locked down.
- 2) Pray for God's healing on Ellie Hitchman, former CEF Prayer Coord.
- 3) Pray for safety for those who are traveling this summer for God's blessing!
- 4) Independence Day! Praise God for the religious freedom we have in the USA.
- 5) Pray for Pastor Dale & Lyndsay Patrick who are hosting a 5-Day Club this week!
- 6) Pray for CEF business sponsor, Curt Hall (Ashland), struggling with cancer.
- 7) Pray for the Little Blessings Daycare 5DC next week in Mansfield.
- 8) Praise the Lord for the *In His Steps* grant we are applying for again this year.
- 9) Thank God for CEF President, Reese Kaufman, in his efforts to cast a vision to pray for workers (Luke 10:2).
- 10) Pray for Ethel Mecurio (her husband Mike passed away recently) as she is having major health issues right now.

- 11) Pray for Tammy & Wes Weaver who are hosting a 5DC this week in Ontario!
- 12) Pray for Jake & Katie Hamilton who are hosting a 5DC this week in Ontario!
- 13) Thank God for Connie Rhodebeck who is our CEF Committee representative in Knox County.
- 14) Pray for Patty Arvidson, teaching a 5DC at Pleasant Valley Ranch this week.
- 15) Pray for Pastor Phil Leineweber and many youth as they "Reach Mansfield" this week with many churches working together.
- 16) Pray for Patty Arvidson & Kelsey Vore as they teach a 5DC in Mansfield.
- 17) Pray God's blessing on the Crawford County Fair (July 19-24) in Bucyrus.
- 18) Thank God for **Gail Wahl's** faithfulness to serve as the Ashland County Good News Club Coordinator.
- 19) Pray for Becky Winger who will be hosting a 5DC this week in Mansfield.
- 20) Today is "Mr. O Day". Mr. Overholtzer is the founder of CEF. People often do Open Air evangelism on this day!

- 21) **Pray for kids to read God's Word, pray every day and walk in VICTORY!**
- 22) Pray for more church partnerships to do fair ministry this summer!
- 23) Pray for more students to register for the Teaching Children Effectively™ course scheduled to start on August 12.
- 24) Thank God for all the children saved this week at the Crawford County Fair!
- 25) Pray for the Knox County Fair which starts today! For many kids to be saved!
- 26) Pray for the Solid Rock 5DC in Johnsville for good weather & kids saved!
- 27) Pray for extra strength and boldness to share the Gospel at the Knox County Fair!
- 28) Praise God for His beautiful creation!
- 29) Pray for the 5DC at Linda Davenport's house this week and for Patty Arvidson & Kelsey Vore as they lead it.
- 30) Pray for many children to get saved the last two days of the Knox County Fair.
- 31) Pray for CEF Press as they prepare and print materials for ministry.

A Letter Can Make a Difference

Patty Arvidson

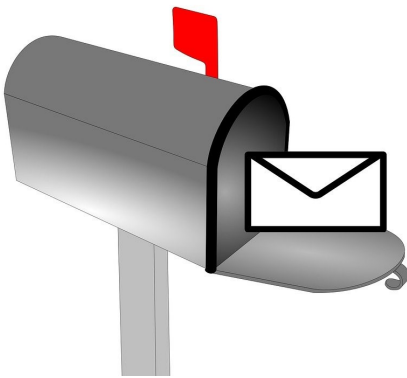
Did you know kids like to get mail? I know I did. As a child growing up in Africa, we were sent to a mission boarding school in Miango, Nigeria. It was called "Kent Academy." It was for missionary kids starting at first grade. Some kids adjusted better than others for various reasons. I never doubted my parents' love for me. When we were at home, during Christmas and summer vacation, they took time for us and

included us in their lives and work. One of the things my mother did was to write letters to us. She didn't just write one letter to all five of us. She wrote personal letters to each of us regularly. I got my own letter keeping me informed about what was going on at home.

As a Good News Club teacher, I have learned how much kids like to get their own mail. When chil-

dren miss a club, I try to send a card letting them know they were missed. They nearly always showed up the next week telling me they had received my card. If they couldn't come back for some reason, they usually came to let me know why. **Mailbox Club®** is a way for kids to regularly get their own mail with personal notes of care, concern, and encouragement and learn about Jesus too!!

Mailbox Club® for All Ages



We are blessed to have Ann Hulver devote time and prayers in responding to children and adults through the Mailbox Club. She is the Mailbox Club Coordinator for CEF of MARCK, and as people sign up to receive Bible Lessons in the mail, she grades them and sends out a new lesson to them so they continue to learn about the Bible. Ann shares, "God's Word is for all ages. In the past year, not

only are there various ages of children participating in the CEF Mailbox Club but several parents have expressed interest in being members as well. A wonderful Bible series for the adult participants is entitled *Heaven*. So, Mom, Dad, Grandma, and Grandpa: Request your first lesson now and be blessed as the intentional study of God's Word becomes more and more a part of your daily walk."

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Crawford County Fair

July 19-24

Knox County

July 25-31

Richland County Fair

August 9-14

Morrow County Fair

August 31 -Sept. 6

Ashland County Fair

Sept. 19-25

Loudonville Free Street Fair

Oct. 5-9