December/January 20-21



MARCK MESSENGER

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

Hope for a New Year!

This week of Thanksgiving, we had our last in-school Good News Club® for the year, as Lexington Schools now close until mid January. During the Thanksgiving party, it warmed my heart to hear one 4th grade girl ask me after the Bible lesson invitation, "How does Jesus bring people back to life by His blood?" What a great question! I had the privilege of sharing the Wordless Book with her and helping her to understand that "without the shedding of (Jesus') blood, there is no forgiveness" (Hebrews 9:22). But when we do believe in Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, we can become a child of God (John 1:12), and Jesus does raise us from death to life (Eph. 2:2-6)!

This year has been a very unusual year with COVID affecting the whole world. We are thankful that we were still able to safely have just as many 5-Day Clubs® this year as we did last year. God provided more church partnerships this summer which allowed us to reach more children with the Gospel. We are thankful for God's provision of volunteers to help start Good News Clubs this fall in Ontario, Lexington, Johnsville, Shelby, Mansfield and Ashland. We will begin online clubs using Zoom. We just finished a training on how to utilize Zoom, and we need prayer and vision for moving ahead with reaching children in a new way. Thanks for your prayers. Speaking of prayer, during our New Year prayer meeting back in January, we asked God for "20/20 vision" because "Where there is no vision, the people perish" (Proverbs 29:18). CEF International has a goal to double the ministry of CEF worldwide to 45 million children reached each year. In order to do that, our CEF President, Reese Kaufman, is encouraging us to pray Luke 10:2 every day. Let's be obedient to the Lord Jesus and "pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest". To reach this goal, we are praying for 1,600 new full time CEF missionaries around the world. Bringing this to a local vision, we are thankful for someone who may be coming on staff with CEF of MARCK to focus on ministry in Knox County, and we are praying for an additional person to fill the role of "Ministry Coordinator" for our chapter.

As we anticipate 2021, we can be comforted that our Savior is not shaken by any of the unsettling circumstances of this year, and has full knowledge and understanding of what has happened and what lies ahead. He is loving, kind, and just, and will provide what we need for each new day (Lamentations 3:22-23).

Dale Baer
CEF of MARCK Local Director



Did you know?

- Only 4% of kids have a Biblical world view.
- Over 3 million Gospel tracts about The Greatest Doctor are being distributed in 16 languages in the Middle East this year!
- You can join the Mailbox Club online! They have lessons for children, teens and adults! Just visit this website: Mailboxclubonline.org

It's FREE!



Proactive TCE Class!



TCE Level 1 Class of 2020

We have been praying all year for God to raise up more workers to bring in the harvest! God did provide seven people who took the 12 week **Teaching Children Effectively™** (TCE™) Level 1 this summer/fall.

The students poured their hearts out to complete all the assignments and in-class practicums. Now they are completing their five practicums with **REAL LIVE KIDS!** We thank God for Patty Arvidson who assisted Dale Baer in teaching this Teaching Children Effectively course this year. The students who took this course this year pictured are (L to R): Jessica Wicker, Laurie Meggitt, Jesika Benavides, Dave & Lois Carter and Dianna Dalton. (Melinda Shaum not pictured. See below left.)

For His Glory: Sharing from Laurie Meggitt

This summer Dale visited the Solid Rock 5-Day Club and saw how well Laurie taught the memory verse to the kids, so he invited her to take the TCE course and she accepted the offer! Here is Laurie's story!

My name is Laurie Meggitt. I am new to CEF this year. I helped with a 5-Day Club® this summer at the Solid Rock Ministries at a mobile home park in Johnsville. I loved being with these kids and serving them. I have completed the TCE™ (Teaching Children Effectively™) course in November. I am privileged to teach at

Good News Club® also at Solid Rock. We have already seen 6 children come to a saving faith in Jesus Christ since we have started. I have taught in Jr. church, VBS and summer camp for years at my church (Edison Enterprise Baptist Church) and am very excited to start this new journey with CEF. I am grateful that God has called me to teach at Good News Club in Johnsville and I am praying for opportunities in the future through CEF to use the training I have learned. May I use these gifts that God has granted me to His glory.



Overflowing Enthusiasm!



Melinda Shaum

God raised up another enthusiastic leader, Melinda Shaum, who took the TCE Level 1 course and started two Good News Clubs this fall. Melinda started our chapter's first Zoom club online which meets on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Melinda and her team also lead an "in person" club with children from Stingel Elementary in Ontario at their church, Ontario United Methodist with about 30 kids enrolled. Lots of

kids at this club have responded to the invitation to receive Jesus as their Savior!

Dave & Lois Carter also took the TCE course and were assisted by Patty Arvidson to start the Good News Club at the Western Elementary School. This club will be continuing online. Please pray that the parents will complete the Zoom registration forms so their children can continue to learn about God's amazing love and grow in their relationship with Jesus!



DECEMBER 2020 PRAISE & PRAYER



- 1) Pray for the Western Elementary School Zoom Good News Club starts today!
- 2) Pray for a CEF Strategy Meeting today at the office. Pray for the Lord to direct us.
- 3) Pray for the Eastern Elementary School Zoom Good News Club starting today!
- 4) Pray for **Reese Kauffman** (CEF President) that God will bless him.
- 5) Pray for God to raise up 1,000 new CEF missionaries in the next three years.
- 6) Praise the Lord for about a dozen local Christmas parties planned to reach kids!
- 7) Pray for kids to get excited about Zoom Good News Clubs and God's amazing love.
- 8) Pray for more kids to join Melinda Shaum's Zoom GNC on Wed. at @ 4:30 PM.
- 9) Praise God for the **Fueled By Prayer** ministry and over 2,000 people involved in it.
- 10) Pray for Dale Baer as he leads a GNC Christmas Party today in Johnsville.
- 11) Pray for Mark & Kathy Horner as they lead the CEF of Ohio staff meeting today.
- 12) Pray for Dale Baer as he leads another Christmas party in downtown Mansfield.
- 13) Pray for physical and spiritual strength

- for Patty Arvidson as she prepares and leads Christmas outreach events this month.
- 14) Pray for <u>God's leading</u> for a person to come on staff with CEF of MARCK.
- 15) Pray for children to understand that sin and its punishment is much worse than the coronavirus because sin separates us from God forever unless we believe in Jesus.
- 16) Thank God for almost 3 million copies of "The Greatest Doctor" tract which has been printed in over 16 different languages.
- 17) Pray that many parents will help their children grow in Christ through the many tools available at: **cefonline.com/COVID19**
- 18) Pray for many children, teens and adults to grow in Christ through the Mailbox Club online at: MailboxClubonline.org
- 19) Pray for **Patty Arvidson** as she leads a Christmas party for kids at the Pleasant Valley Ranch today from 2-4 PM.
- 20) Praise God for our <u>new CEF of Ohio</u> <u>State Director, Kyle Latchaw.</u> (Starting 1/1/21)
- 21) Lord, as winter officially begins today, help kids read their Bible & warm up to you!
- 22) Pray for God's healing touch on Haley Granger, former Christian Youth In Action, worker. She has constant headaches.

- 23) Pray for new church partnerships to conduct more Good News Clubs.
- 24) Pray for kids to have the best Christmas ever knowing Jesus as their Savior.
- 25) Christmas Day! Jesus is the PERFECT GIFT we celebrate today with family!
- 26) Pray for children all over the world to watch Good News Club online with this link: *youtube.com/unitekids*
- 27) Pray for God to raise up more volunteers to help with Zoom Good News Clubs.
- 28) Pray for **ZEAL!** Excitement is contagious! Pray that the ministry of CEF, its staff and volunteers would stir up other Christians to share their faith.
- 29) Praise God for He is our protector! "He who dwells in the shelter of the **Most High** will abide in the shadow of the **Almighty**" (Psalm 91:1).
- 30) Thank God for **Ellie Hitchman**, our CEF Prayer Coordinator, who calls many praying friends each week!
- 31) Pray for people to drive safely tonight and to start the new year seeking the face of God for REVIVAL personally & globally.



JANUARY 2021 PRAISE & PRAYER



- 1) Happy New Year! Praise God for all the great things He will do this year!
- 2) Pray that CEF volunteers will have the same compassion Jesus had for unbelievers in this chaotic world (Mk. 6:34).
- 3) Praise God from whom all blessings flow! He is worthy of all our praise!
- 4) Pray that CEF staff and volunteers will be more BOLD for God (Phil. 1:20).
- 5) Pray for **Ann Hulver**, our **NEW MAIL-BOX CLUB COORDINATOR!**
- 6) Pray for **David & Lois Carter** as they continue to teach the Zoom GNC at Western.
- 7) Pray for many kids to sign up for the **Mailbox Club**® this winter.
- 8) Pray for families to grow in Christ while on Zoom Good News Clubs together.
- 9) Pray for God's blessing on the <u>CEF NEW YEAR PRAYER MEETING TODAY</u> at Grace Fellowship Church (10-11 AM).
- 10) Pray for public school teachers as they teach their students online.
- 11) Pray for God's blessing on the CEF Instructor of Teachers retreat online today & tomorrow across the USA.

- 12) Thank God for **Dee Griffon** who is one of our newest volunteers helping with clubs.
- 13) Praise the Lord for our newest CEF Local Committee member, <u>Mary Elkins</u>.
- 14) Pray for children to read Your Word, pray and walk in VICTORY!
- 15) Pray for **Kathy Horner**, CEF Director of Education for Ohio, as she oversees the CEF ministry of Ohio.
- 16) Pray for students to register for the TCE Level 1 Course starting in August.
- 17) Pray for God to raise up 10 **Christian Youth In Action**® for ministry this summer.
- 18) Pray that we will be able to do the fair ministry this summer reaching kids for Jesus.
- 19) Pray for **Kyle Latchaw** (CEF of Ohio State Director) for wisdom from on high.
- 20) Pray for spiritual discipline for the CEF staff and volunteers.
- 21) Pray that schools will open up for kids to go back to school again and resume normality.
- 22) Praise God for His lovingkindness never cease and His compassions never fail (Lamentations 3:22-23).
- 23) Pray for God to fill us with His Holy Spirit each and every day.

- 24) Pray for Katie Walthour (former Christian Youth In Action), who leaves today for a six month mission trip to Cambodia.
- 25) Thank God for CEF President, **Reese Kauffman**, and his efforts to cast a vision to double the children reached in three years! (From 22 to 45 million kids/year!)
- 26) Pray for God's healing touch on those who have the **Coronavirus**.
- 27) Ask God to give us a deeper hunger for God and His Word each day.
- 28) Ask God to help us to prioritize time each day to seek His face for the salvation of more children.
- 29) Thank God for **Office Manager**, **Sue Baer**. Lord, guide her steps.
- 30) Pray for CEF Press as they prepare and print materials for ministry.
- 31) Pray for more people to plan now to schedule this summer's 5-Day Clubs®.



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Coins 4 Kids 2020 Fundraiser

2020 Donations in memory of loved ones:

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Prayer Coordinator: Ellie Hitchman Mailbox Club Coord: Ann Hulver Church Partnership Coord: Les Vnasdale

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SAVE THE DATE!

You are invited to join us for our

CEF New Year

Prayer Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2021

10-11:00 AM

Grace Fellowship Church 365 Straub Rd. E., Mansfield, OH



Shawn's Search for True Love Valentine's Party Training Saturday, January 23, 2021 10 AM—12 Noon Location: TBA

Plus helps for "God's Faithfulness"

