August/Sept 2017



# **MARCK MESSENGER**

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

### **Heart for the Children**



**Peggy Wallis** was a faithful servant of the Lord with a humble heart. She served with Child Evangelism Fellowship® for over 30 years, leading many children to the Savior.

She went home to be with Jesus on June 3<sup>rd</sup> after a struggle with cancer.

**Peggy's daughter, Ann, recalls** back when they lived in Arkansas, how her mom had always had a heart for children. After Peggy and her husband were both saved in 1974 at a revival, she began teaching Sunday School. She was disappointed in the curriculum used at her church, as she thought it was not so clear on the Gospel. After awhile, Peggy decided to choose her own curriculum at a Christian book store. She chose one that was Bible based, colorful, and exciting, and she really enjoyed using it.

In 1982, the Wallis' moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma where Peggy was quite involved in helping with a new school in connection with their church. A wonderful lady that was connected with the church had been teaching Good News Clubs® and shared with Peggy of the curriculum she used to teach the children. Much to Peggy's surprise, she had been using the same curriculum back in her last church as she had chosen it at the bookstore! Life of Christ Volume 1 was what she started with. She began attending CEF trainings and started a Good News Club® at her home. She had a special way with children and absolutely loved sharing the hope of Jesus with them. Many children would ask Jesus to be their Savior through the ministry. Peggy and her then teenage daughter, Ann, also taught 5 Day Clubs® and helped with Camp Good News®. Ann was also involved with CYIA™ (Christian youth In Action®) for three years.

Ann shared that Peggy was a woman of prayer, using Scripture as she prayed. She would keep prayer journals, noting specific requests and answers to prayer If they were confidential, she would just put initials so as not to mention names. With the amount of times they moved as a family, Peggy modeled contentment in reminding her family that wherever and whenever they would move, home is where there is family.

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#### **Multiplying the Ministry**

**Pictured below** are two teen volunteers, Cheyenne and Kelsey, who are so enthusiastic about loving God and children. They both have been leaders in Good News Club ministry, along with 5 Day Clubs® and fair ministry. Cheyenne shared with Dale



recently that she remembers asking Jesus to be her savior in a 5 Day Club back when she was five years old.

**Pictured to the right** is the Thompson family who had been attending the Crawford County Fair for many years. The adult children remember visiting The Wordless Book tent since they were small children where they asked Jesus to be their Savior!



# "God Even Made Sports Stars!"

While teaching the Bible lesson at a recent 5 Day Club, Christian Youth in Action (CYIA) teen Collin Hubert was teaching the truths about who God is: God is our Creator. He made everything. Then he asked if the children if they could name things that God made. Usually children say things like trees, grass, flowers, and animals, or they name their favorite animals. One little boy raised his and and said, "Lebron James!" Another boy said, "Kyrie!" Colline said, "Yes, God made them, too!" I am thankful that children can understand that God is greater than their favorite celebrities. We are having so much fun in 5 Day Clubs as we help the children discover truths about Jesus. When we counsel with children who respond to the invitation to receive Christ, one hf the question I often ask them after praying withand for them is, "When you tell someone you trusted in Jesus as your Savior and are now a child of God, they may say, "How do you know?, What will you say?" They answer, "The Bible says so," and they know where it says so. Then we know they know for sure. What a blessing it is to lead boys and girls to the Savior!



#### By Patty Arvidson, Missionary Fieldworker

### **Toil and Transformation**



So much for which we have to be thankful! After many hours of cleaning, painting, fixing and assembling, we were able to settle in to the new office. Over 20 people were involved in various capacities to make it happen. Our Secretary Jaime spent endless hours making order of the boxes in the warehouse and finding new homes for them in the office area. **Below** is the first training in the new office for summer 5 Day Clubs.



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They moved to Ohio around 1990 and into her energy level, she continued to teach not many children. Pictured below is Peggy with a an apartment complex. Children not only came to her home for Good News Clubs, but they would stop by after school on other days, and she welcomed them with special craft projects and snacks at times. They felt loved and at home with Peggy. Around 1998, Peggy began teaching her first After School Good News Club in the Madison school district, and she also helped with Teacher Trainings in the Mansfield area and became part of the Local Committee for CEF of MARCK. She struggled with chronic fatigue syndrome since she had moved back to Ohio. Despite her struggle with

only one after school club, but two per week. GNC boy at a club she taught in 2001. After her husband Ralph retired, he helped facilitate the clubs, and he recalled that often Peggy would be so exhausted afterward that she would rest for a couple of days after teaching a club. He thought it was too much for her, but she wanted to keep teaching as long as she could. Peggy continued even after finding out she had cancer, until she eventually needed to stop. Peggy love for God and for others was so evident in her life. She's now walking the street of gold in heaven of which she told so



Peggy Wallis at Woodside Estates



#### August 2017 PRAISE & PRAYER



1) <u>Praise God for fifteen 5-Day Clubs® this</u> summer! Two final clubs this week!

2) Pray for **Joel Howard & Collin Hubert** as they teach 5DC at Chris Connolly's backyard this week in Mansfield(6:30-8:30 PM).

3) Pray for **Patty Arvidson** as she helps Dale with a 5-DC in Bucyrus this week.

4) Pray for **Dale Baer** as he finishes a 5DC this week at the Bucyrus Park with the Potter's House Baptist Church.

5) Pray for the Lord to provide **one more missionary** to work in our CEF chapter.

6) Pray for **Camp Good News®** (CEF Camp) at Camp Burton (Aug. 6–12).

7) Praise the Lord for over 300 children reached at the CEF Wordless Book tent at the Crawford County Fair & 71 saved!

8) Pray for wisdom & direction for the CEF Local Committee meeting tonight.

9) Pray for **Mark Horner** who is the CEF District Director. He oversees Ohio, Upper Michigan and Kentucky.

10) Pray for the students taking the **Teach**ing Children Effectively<sup>™</sup> course which starts today (9-11:30 AM) at CEF Office.

1) Pray for the Lord for the In His Steps

2) Praise the Lord for Dale & Sue's 28th

3) Prayer meeting TODAY at 3 PM at the

4) Labor Day! Pray for God's blessing on

5) Give thanks to the Lord, for He is Good;

7) Pray for new volunteers to come out to

9) Pray for God's blessing on the GNC Fall

10) Thank God for His faithfulness in

providing Fred Pursley, Vice Chairman for

CEF of MARCK. Pray for good health for

Kick-Off Training today at the CEF Office.

Pray for spiritual discipline for all

the last day of the Morrow Co. Fair today.

His love endures forever! (Psalm 107:1)

workers with CEF (2 Timothy 2:15).

Good News Club Trainings this fall.

8) Praise God for His mercy and grace.

Lexington HS Board of Ed. parking lot.

grant we are applying for to be accepted.

11) Pray for **Kathy Horner**, CEF Director of Education for Ohio.

12) Pray for Patty Arvidson and Dale Baer as they prepare to teach TCE for 12 weeks.

13) **PRAYER MEETING TODAY!** At the Lexington BOE Office parking lot at 3 PM.

14) **Reese Kauffman** (President of CEF) as he oversees the ministry of CEF worldwide.

15) Pray for the **Lexington Blueberry Festi**val (Aug. 17-20) for many children to be saved. Liberty Baptist Church of Lexington is providing a cow milking contest for the CEF Wordless Book tent!

16) Pray for many to come to the **Fair Training** tonight (7-9 PM) at The Potter's House Baptist Church(111 N. Poplar St., Bucyrus).

17) Pray for many children to be saved at the **Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival** (Aug. 17-19) where CEF has a Wordless Book tent also!

18) Praise God for the **Christmas Across America™** (CAA<sup>™</sup>) parties last month reaching lost children with the Gospel.

19) Praise God for His everlasting love!

20) "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go unto the house of the Lord" (Ps. 122:1).

21) Thank God for our Treasurer, **Mark Boyd.** Pray for a new CEF Ohio Treasurer.

22) Pray for **Fred Pursley** (CEF Local Committee Vice Chairman).

23) Pray for new church partnerships to conduct more Good News Clubs.

24) Pray for good turn out for the **"Pastors' Meeting"** (Free Pizza) at the CEF NEW office today (12–1:30 PM).

25) Pray for God to raise up teens to serve in the public school GNCs this fall.

26) Pray for people to begin scheduling their fall Good News Clubs®.

27) Pray for the **Horners** as they finish preparing for GNC Workshop this week.

28) CEF of Ohio **Curriculum Workshop** (Aug. 28–30) at Beulah Beach, OH.

29) Pray for many children to be saved at the Morrow County Fair (8/29-9/4).
30) Praise God for about 30 prayer partners who Ellie calls almost weekly.

31) Thank God for Ellie Hitchman, our CEF Prayer Coordinator.





wedding anniversary today!

6)

Fred.

#### September 2017 PRAISE & PRAYER

11) Pray for Steve Green as he prepares for the CEF Fundraising Concert (4/13/18) at Berean Baptist Church, Mansfield(6:30 PM).
12) Please pray for Patty Arvidson

(Missionary Fieldworker) as she is still raising her financial support.

13) Pray for more churches to partner with CEF to adopt a local public school GNC.

14) Thank God for **Office Manager, Jaime Householder.** Lord, guide her steps.

15) Pray for children to read Your Word, pray every day and walk in VICTORY!

16) Pray for Good News Club leaders to shine the love of Christ to the children.

17) Pray for many children and teens to be saved at the **Ashland County Fair** which starts today (Sept. 17–23).

18) Pray for Godly wisdom to enter the hearts of the children around the world.

19) Pray for our **Mailbox Club Coordinator**, **Cindy Fagan**, as she tries to keep up with the growing MBC ministry. We are now reaching children in 20 counties of Ohio and 7 states!

20) Pray for more church partnerships to do Christmas Across America™ parties!

21) Thank God for our "behind the scenes" helpers who help many hours for CEF.

22) Pray for God's protection for the children and ministry of CEF.

23) Ask God's blessing on Sue Packard, faithful prayer warrior & GNC volunteer.

24) Thank God for the open doors in the schools to hold Good News Clubs.

25) Pray for Dale Baer to have discernment in the many plans he must make as Local Director.

26) Pray for new opportunities to continue to happen in our communities and schools to share the Gospel.

27) Pray for people willing to help share the Gospel with face painting at the Galion October Fest starting tomorrow.

28) The **Galion October Fest** (Sept. 28-30) starts today! Pray for many children and teens to be saved!

29) Pray for CEF Press as they prepare and print materials for ministry.

30) Pray for good weather on this final day of the Galion October Fest.

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Good News Club Fall Trainings

# CLUB

Theme: "God: The Creator King"

Saturday, Sept. 9 (9—12 Noon) Monday, Sept. 11 (6—9 PM)

**Location:** NEW CEF Office (535 Beer Rd, Ontario, OH 44906) Please RSVP by September 6 (419-756-7799)



#### CEF of M-A-R-C-K Staff and Local Committee

Dates:

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