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"Clear the Decks!"



If you have been to the CEF Office lately you may have noticed a "changing of the guards". Jaime Householder was our faithful Office Manager for the last ten years, and this summer she resigned due to finding a needed full time job. The Lord has provided a new Office Manager by the name of Sue Baer! I greatly appreciate Sue's help in the way she has done some reorganizing throughout the CEF office and warehouse storage, and she is sensitively encouraging me to clear my desk and reorganize my office!

I have been reading a book called **"Mastering Life Before It's Too Late"** by Dr. Robert J. Morgan.

In this book, pilot Jim Furgerson, made 137 landings on an aircraft carrier, including ten at night. He explained the phrase 'Clear the Decks' doesn't mean to just get other planes out of the way. It means the area must be "totally clean" in order to insure a safe landing. Dr. Morgan relates this illustration to our lives in that we can't expect to get much done if we have a cluttered workspace!

As we start to plan a brand new year of Good News Clubs and other ministry opportunities, I ask for your prayers to do so with effective organization not only of the office, but also with volunteer training to begin to teach Good News Clubs® online. This is totally new for us! Thanks so much Dale Baer

for your love and prayers in support of this vital ministry.

God bless you! (1 Cor. 15:58)



Dale and Sue Baer

Patty Arvidson

"A little love goes a long way"

"Preschoolers": The word always brings a picture of energy, enthusiasm, and curiosity. It was the first day of 5Day Club®, and I would be teaching preschoolers. I knew it could be a challenging week when one child had a helper assigned to sit with him for the week. He definitely had plenty of energy. As we went through the first day, I quickly realized he needed attention. I prayed throughout the day and each day that he would feel loved and valued. The second day, he came running up to me as soon as he got out of the car and said, "Good morning, teacher. I missed you!" The last day of club, we had just started when I looked over, and this little boy had big tears rolling down his face. When I asked him what was wrong, he said,

"This is the last day of club, and I won't see you any more." I reminded him that he would still be coming to church and Sunday School and would see the people there. I also reminded him that Jesus would always be there to help him. God loves him always. Pray for little ones like this who need to know the love of God.

We are thankful that Mary Elkins of Ashland has chosen to join us again as an Ashland County Representative on the CEF of MARCK Local Committee.

She shares in her testimony, *"I am so thankful and have never wanted to ever stop being a*

Welcome back!

learning disciple of our Great God! I have found Him faithful in the toughest of situations and am trusting Him today for help, strength and wisdom. God is so faithful to me and has given me a heart for my own kids and all children to know Him and follow and obey His loving commands."



Mary Elkins

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October 2020 Praise and Prayer

1) Pray for the **Solid Rock Good News Club**® (GNC®) starting today in Johnsville.

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

3) Pray for God's blessing on the <u>Super Seminar</u> at the Ontario UMC today at 9 AM to 12 Noon.

4) Prayer meeting today at 3 PM at the Lexington High School by the board office.

5) Pray for the Little Blessings Preschool GNC starting this morning with Patty Arvidson leading.

6) Pray for the <u>Quick Start GNC training</u> Dale is leading today (1:30-4:30 PM) at the CEF office.

7) Thank God for health in the midst of COVID.

8) Pray for the Teaching Children Effectively Level 1 students in Bible lesson preparations.

9) Ask God for help and direction for Good News Clubs this fall to start—in person & virtual.

10) Praise God for 16 5-Day Clubs® this summer reaching 234 kids & 38 salvation decisions.

11) <u>We praise God for 3,365 kids reached</u> and 309 saved this past year in our chapter!

12) Thank God for all our Canadian CEF

November 2020 Praise and Prayer

1) Give us unity as we work together as a CEF family: Staff, committee & volunteers.

2) Pray for God's blessings to pour out on all the banquet business sponsors (see P. 2) which sponsored our CEF banquet that was postponed twice this year.

3) Pray for people to vote for godly values.

4) **CEF World Day of Prayer TODAY!** Lord, bring REVIVAL to the children and the ministry of CEF around the world!

5) Praise God for the TCE Level 1 students who will complete their training tonight!

6) Praise God for being El Shaddai, "God Almighty" (Genesis 17:1).

7) Father God, help the GNC teachers teach kids about You as our Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, Savior and Friend.

8) Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Ps. 103:1

9) Pray for God to provide another couple helpers for Dale Baer who is planning to start a GNC at Central Elem. School today.

10) Pray for the **Local Committee Meeting** this evening, that God would give unity and guidance in decisions made.

supporters on this special Thanksgiving Day!

13) Thank God for the **CEF Local Committee**. Pray for the meeting tonight at 6:30 PM.

14) Pray for Dale Baer as he will be speaking at chapel today at Mansfield Christian School.

15) Pray for God's blessing on the TCE™ (Teaching Children Effectively™) Level 1 class that meets every Thursday night for 12 weeks.

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

17) Pray for "**Tech People**" needed for virtual online GNCs we plan to start up this fall.

18) Thank God for **Dale Baer's mother (Mae)** who is celebrating her 95th birthday today!

19) Pray for the GNC teachers for courage to learn how to teach kids with virtual clubs.

20) Pray for God to help the children replace their fear of COVID with faith in Jesus.

21) Praise God for a bountiful harvest again this year! Jesus, our Jehovah Jireh, our Provider!

22) Thank God for 7 GNC workers who are taking the **Teaching Children Effectively**[™] 1 course.

11) Praise God for His faithfulness.

12) Thank You Lord for **Nancy Krieger** and volunteers at Eastern GNC. Help them prepare for this club starting today.

13) Pray for the CEF of Ohio staff meeting today & for Mark & Kathy Horner leading.

14) Pray for Dr. Alex McFarland as he prepares to be our guest speaker for the CEF Fundraising Banquet on 4/13/21.

15) Pray for REVIVAL in churches all across the USA and around the world.

16) Pray for our TCE students that God will give them boldness to teach GNCs.

17) Praise God for being our Yahweh Rophi (Healer). "For I am the LORD who heals you." (Exodus 15:26)

 Pour out Your grace upon all of the Good News Club volunteers as they prepare for their clubs.

19) Pray for a GREAT American Thanksgiving, in one week from today!

20) Give us vision for ministry in CEF. Pray for the Lord to bless our chapter with another full time "Ministry Coordinator".



23) Thank God for committee member, **Shirley Davidson.** Pray for strength for each day.

24) Pray for God's blessing on the **GNC & Thanksgiving Training today (9-12 Noon).**

25) "<u>I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let</u> us go unto the house of the Lord!" (Psalm 122:1)

26) Pray for God's blessing on the GNC & Thanksgiving Training today (6—9 PM).

27) Pray for more kids, teens and adults to join the **Mailbox Club**® in hand or online!

28) Give children a love for You and a love for Your Word and help them memorize your Word!

29) Pray for the Good News Club starting today at the Ontario United Methodist Church.

30) Thank God for the "**In His Steps**" Grant Foundation which blessed us with another grant again this year to help expand this ministry!

31) Pray for the God to protect the children at this time of year. Lord, help Dale Baer today as he celebrates his 60th birthday!



21) Pray for the **Christmas Party** Training today (10 AM—12 Noon) at the CEF Office in Ontario.

22) Praise God who "forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases" (Psalm 103:3).

23) Thank God for Mary Elkins (Ashland county rep) and Bob Mealy (Morrow county rep), two newest committee members!

24) Pray for **Patty Arvidson** for continued health, strength and boldness to proclaim the Gospel to children.

25) Draw more children to Yourself. Lead families to choose to go to Bible believing churches.

26) Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; make known his deeds among the peoples" (1 Chron. 16:8).

27) Pray for wisdom, guidance and endurance for our CEF State Director, Mark Horner.

28) Pour out Your Spirit on all of the GNCs in schools, communities and online.

29) Thank God for Mark Boyd who serves faithfully as Treasurer for CEF of MARCK as well as Treasurer for CEF of Ohio!

30) Thank God also for Fred Pursley who serves as Vice Chairman of our chapter! Please pray for God's healing touch on Fred. He's been quite sick.



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Up-Coming Trainings and Events

- CEF of MARCK Fundraising Banquet has been postponed until Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM.
- Super Seminar on "How To Lead A Child To Christ" Saturday, Oct. 3 (9 AM—12 Noon) Location: Ontario United Methodist Church (3540 Park Ave. W., Ontario, OH 44906) Cost: \$10/person RSVP (419-756-7799) by Sept. 30, 2020.

CEF® of MARCK Staff and Local Committee

Local Director: Dale Baer Missionary Fieldworker: Patty Arvidson Office Manager: Sue Baer Vice Chairman: Fred Pursley Treasurer: Mark Boyd Secretary: Gail Graham Fundraising: Shirley Davidson Morrow County Rep: Bob Mealy Assistant Secretary: Sue Packard Knox County Rep: Connie Rhodebeck Crawford County Rep: Greg Jevnikar Ashland County Rep: Mary Elkins **Other Volunteer Positions:** Prayer Coordinator: Ellie Hitchman Mailbox Club Coord: Cindy Fagan Church Partnership Coord: Les Vnasdale Ashland Co. Coord: Gail Wahl

Other Trainings:

- 10/10 (9-11:30 AM): GNC Procedures Workshop for starting an "in person" club. At: Ontario United Methodist Church. (RSVP by Oct. 9)
- ◆ 10/17 (10-12Noon): GNC Virtual Training at Ontario UMC (No cost) This training will be for all GNC teachers interested in starting an online club. (RSVP by Oct. 16)

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- 10/24 (9-12 Noon): Thanksgiving Party and "God's Power: Escape from Egypt at Cornerstone Grace Brethren Church, Ontario, OH.(RSVP by 10/23)
- ♦ 10/26 (6—9 PM): Same training as above and same location.

