



MARCK Messenger

Child Evangelism Fellowship® of

Morrow-Ashland-Richland-Crawford-Knox Counties

Feb/Mar 2019

Kids for the Kingdom: Building a Legacy

Author, speaker, comedian and American Family Radio talk show host JJ Jasper will be our guest speaker for



JJ Jasper and his wife, Melanie

the Child Evangelism Fellowship Fundraising Banquet this spring. JJ hosts a national morning radio show on American Family Radio network (approximately 200 stations in 36 states). When he's not motivating listeners with his unique brand of humor and encouragement, he is entertaining people as a stand-up comedian and keynote speaker. He is the author of Losing Cooper: Finding Hope to Grieve Well, Moses Was A Basketcase and a children's book, When I Grow Up.

JJ and his wife, Melanie, along with their four children live in Tupelo, Mississippi.

We are looking forward to seeing you at this enjoyable fun-filled banquet with JJ Jasper.

Please RSVP (419-756-7799) by Monday March 4, 2019.

If you would like to host a table call Shirley Davidson (419-528-3145) by Feb. 15.

Banquet Date: Tues. March 19.

Time: 6:30—8:30 PM

Location: Berean Baptist Church

2145 Middle Bellville Rd.,

Mansfield, OH 44904

A Free Will offering will be received for the ministry of CEF of MARCK.

Blessed with Les!

Pastor Les Vnasdale to represent CEF to local churches

Joy and peace seem to fill those around Pastor Les as he serves with a humble and humorous heart! He has agreed to come alongside our Local Chapter of CEF to visit local churches, either introducing them to the ministry of CEF or keeping a closer connection.

Director Dale Baer has been privileged to be working with Pastor Les for 11 years at Cornerstone Grace Brethren Church, through 5-Day Clubs® and also Good News Clubs®.

Les and Ruth Vnasdale were married in 1966 and blessed with two children. After graduating from Grace

Theological Seminary, the Vnasdales served for ten years in French speaking countries in Africa. Since 1995, they have made several six week to four month ministry trips to Cameroon and Chad. Returning to the USA in 1993, Les began serving as a local church pastor. In 2007, he was called to be the pastor of the Cornerstone Grace Brethren Church, the congregation among whom he continues to serve the Lord.

As previously mentioned, he has been ministering with others from Cornerstone Grace Brethren for five years in a Good News Club in the Sherman

Elementary School in Mansfield. Please pray for Pastor Les as he begins this new outreach.



Pastor Les Vnasdale

Surely every season God is good to us... Sharing from Patty Arvidson

(Note from Dale and Sue: Dale had asked Patty if she'd like to write about her experience with her painful broken arm which resulted from falling on ice. Her response was so positive, and we are amazed and humbled by her faith as she sees the goodness of God in the midst of trials.)

How very thankful I am for the church I belong to and the organization I work with. I feel truly blessed. So many meals were provided, cards were sent, phone calls and texts were sent, and kindnesses were done. I would surely leave someone out if I tried to name them all. How blessed I am to have Prayer Coordinator Ellie Hitchman call and tell me the prayers of CEF volunteers are going up for me. Ruth Baxter, a friend from church, called from Florida to let me know people on the prayer chain were praying. Jim and Judy Berry also from Berean made the

treacherous drive up our driveway to deliver meals donated by people from church. My small group visited and brought groceries. Berean MOPS and Sunday School kids sent cards, pictures, food, flowers and a big bag of chocolate. ("Because Miss Patty likes chocolate, and she needs it to help her get better.")

I have also received texts from GNC parents, letting me know they are praying for me. I have difficulty writing with my left hand, so I haven't gotten many "thank yous" written, but I am truly thankful!

If every meal, card, text, flower, act of kindness represented one prayer, I would be well covered in prayer. There were many more than that! I got cards and prayers from other Ohio CEF Chapters as well. Not too many people can say their director took time to visit at the hospital and pray. CEF of Ohio Director

of Education, Kathy Horner, also called and prayed for me on the phone: Talk about counting your blessings! I lost count.

Right now I am at home with my arm in a splint. On February 13, I will go back to have a cast put on which I will have for a month. My husband, Harold, is taking great care of me.

Counting my many blessings. Patty



Patty Arvidson

"Blessed are the pure in heart..." Matthew 5:8

I know that lives are being changed and growth is taking place when I see children pray for others to become Christians. We have noticed first hand in some children, that after they put their trust in Jesus, the Holy Spirit begins to give them a greater concern for others. One little boy responded to the invitation at the end of the Bible lesson. He told volunteer Sue Packard that the reason he came for prayer was because his grandfather is not saved, and he wanted her to pray with him for his grandfather.

Sometimes I offer tracts to the children if they want to give them to someone. Occasionally, they ask for two or three so they can give them to parents, grandparents or siblings. There have been times when they ask for a tract to give to a teacher. One little girl had asked for a tract. The girl said that she tried to tell her teacher about Jesus, but the teacher just didn't understand. The little girl wanted a way to explain about salvation through Jesus more clearly.

The Lord is working out His purposes and plans in those who trust in Him. It is evident He is producing fruit in these young lives. Thank you for your faithful prayers for the children.

Patty

"In Thy book they were all written, the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there was not one of them." Psalm 139:16

People with a Passion for Jesus...



Mistie Davis (pictured on left) took the Teaching Children Effectively™ (TCE™) Level 1 course last summer and she completed all the requirements! Congratulations to Mistie! If you would be interested in taking this course call the CEF Office for more information.

Pray for Bucyrus Wynford Elementary School Good News Club team (L to R): Amanda McMurray, Lisa Whited, Doug Lillo and Lynne Fisher. These people are praying for many kids to come to this club starting hopefully on February 4, after school in the library!

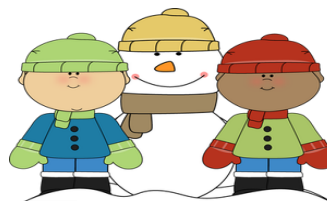


February Praise and Prayer

- 1 Help me praise You, Father, for every blessing, with a grateful heart.
- 2 Please give Jeanie Cushing strength to walk again.
- 3 Please heal Patty Arvidson's painful broken arm well and soon.
- 4 Lord, please allow Patty's clubs to continue and help her husband Harold as he drives her to many of the clubs.
- 5 Thank You for JJ Jasper speaking at the upcoming banquet. Please challenge people to be good stewards of their time and finances.
- 6 Thank You for Jaime Householder, CEF Office Manager, who helps to keep things running smoothly.
- 7 Thank you for Pastor Vnasdale as he begins as Dir. Of Development.
- 8 God, put Your vision in our hearts for the ministry of CEF, so that we can serve You according to Your plan.
- 9 Please provide a Local Committee Chairman with a heart for the Lord and gifted leadership skills.
- 10 Guide more churches to partner with CEF and adopt public school Good News Clubs.
- 11 Please prepare children's hearts to be receptive to the Gospel at GNC's, to listen attentively and receive Jesus as Savior.
- 12 Grant Local Committee great wisdom and unity as they meet this evening and serve CEF of MARCK.
- 13 Empower volunteers and staff to step out in great faith and see You at work in their lives.
- 14 Open the doors for the Gospel to be shared in North Korea.
- 15 Help families to be changed and to turn to the Lord through the witness of their children.
- 16 Speak through Dale at Upward Basketball devotionals at Ontario Christian Fellowship today (2-6 PM).
- 17 Thank You for Mike Mecurio who served as CEF Chairman for many years. Please carry him and his wife Ethel in the midst of health struggles.
- 18 Help children to hunger and thirst after righteousness.
- 19 Praise You, God, for Ellie Hitchman, our Prayer Coordinator.
- 20 Give Your wisdom and daily guidance to Director Dale Baer.
- 21 Thank You for faithful Treasurer, Mark Boyd.
- 22 Bless the CEF of Ohio staff meeting today and thank You for them.
- 23 Be exalted at the CEF Easter Party training today. (10-12 Noon)
- 24 Thank You for being our provider and we ask for more volunteers with hearts for this ministry.
- 25 Thank You for committee member, Sue Packard, for her encouragement and faithful prayers.
- 26 Help volunteers to walk in holiness and to stay in Your Word.
- 27 Thank You for Shirley Davidson's strong organizational skills. Bless her and husband, Tom, as he continues to seek Your face.
- 28 Thank You, Father, for the all-sufficiency of Christ, His shed blood on the cross, and His resurrection.

March Praise and Prayer

- 1 Bless Fred Pursley, Vice Chair of our Committee.
- 2 Be honored at Grace Brethren in Ashland for their Upward Basketball time. May Dale share the Gospel with power.
- 3 Thank You for diligent committee member, Greg Jevnikar.
- 4 Thank You for the privilege to cast our burdens on You.
- 5 Put Your vision on our hearts to be led by You.
- 6 Thank You for Gail Graham, Committee Secretary.
- 7 Thank You for businesses that have supported CEF.
- 8 Thank You for faithful Committee Member Randy Boquist.
- 9 Pray for the Mailbox Club® participants to grow in faith.
- 10 Thank you for Mailbox Coordinator, Cindy Fagan.
- 11 Let Your Word go out in power at Central LEX GNC.
- 12 Be honored at the Mifflin GNC Easter Party today.
- 13 Strengthen the faith and health of CEF workers.
- 14 Be exalted at the Madison South GNC Easter Party today.
- 15 Guide teens toward Christian Youth In Action this summer.
- 16 Help us to hide Your Word in our hearts, that we might not sin against You (Psalm 119:11).
- 17 Thank You for the tremendous privilege of prayer.
- 18 Please help volunteer John Phelps in dealing with chronic neck pain.
- 19 Be Lord of the CEF Banquet today. May it honor You.
- 20 Open the doors for the Gospel to be shared in North Korea.
- 21 Guide, protect, and work through Haley Granger, her dad and group going to Dominican Republic from 21-29.
- 22 Lord, guide more children to go to church and to dedicate their lives to follow Jesus.
- 23 Thank You for CEF office space provision from Milliron!
- 24 Protect Dale and Sue as they visit daughter Sarah in Thailand. Help them be an encouragement to Sarah and Bangkok Christian International School.
- 25 Thank You for Your great love!
- 26 Give us vision to transform the lives of children for good.
- 27 Continue to give wisdom and guidance to Patty Arvidson.
- 28 Help us to share Your love with all those we meet.
- 29 Be glorified in the Christian Youth In Action Spring Retreat at Inspiration Hills Camp today!
- 30 Lord Jesus, help the CYIA have a deeper burden for lost children.
- 31 Enable us to see children saved and families changed for You.





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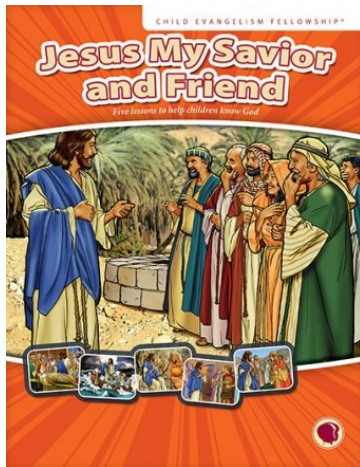


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“Kids for the Kingdom”

Join us for the CEF of MARCK
Spring Fundraising Banquet
Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:30 PM
At Berean Baptist Church, Mansfield, OH



Now is a good time to plan for
your summer children's ministry!

CEF will provide the curriculum
and teachers and your church will
provide the extra volunteers, prizes
and refreshments!

Call the CEF Office
(419-756-7799)

Book your week of outreach
this summer!

Summer 5-Day Club® Theme:

Jesus: My Savior & Friend

Day 1: Jesus Forgives Paralyzed Man

Day 2: Jesus Calms a Terrible Storm

Day 3: Jesus & Samaritan Woman

Day 4: Jesus & Centurion's Servant

Day 5: Jesus & Rich Young Man

CEF also provides craft and recreation
activities for the kids too!

Child Evangelism

Fellowship® of MARCK

Staff and Local Committee

Local Director: Dale Baer

Missionary Fieldworker: Patty Arvidson

Vice Chairman: Fred Pursley

Treasurer: Mark Boyd

Secretary: Gail Graham

Fundraising: Shirley Davidson

Assistant Secretary: Sue Packard

Members: Randy Boquist, Greg Jevnikar

Office Manager: Jaime Householder

Prayer Coordinator: Ellie Hitchman

Ashland County Coord: Gail Wahl

Mailbox Club Coord: Cindy Fagan

Youth Spring Retreat Coming Soon...



Once again youth from all across the
state of Ohio are gathering at the Inspira-
tion Hills Camp at Burbank, Ohio, to
re-connect with friends, meet new
friends and be greatly inspired to reach
kids for Jesus!

If you are interested in possibly reaching
children this summer with the Gospel
this Spring Retreat is a great place to go
to check out what CYIA is all about!

What happens at a Christian Youth In
Action® (CYIA™) Spring Retreat?

- ◆ Worship & sharing testimonies!
- ◆ Hiking, games & lots of fun!

How can you get registered?

- ◆ Download the registration form
off our website under
“Downloads”.
- ◆ Call the CEF Office TODAY!
(419-756-7799)

Date: March 29—30, 2019

Place: Inspiration Hills, Burbank, OH

Cost: \$50/Person

Registration Deadline: March 1