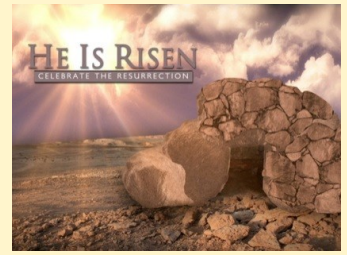




Tri-County Good News



Child Evangelism Fellowship of PA Inc., Mifflin-Juniata-Perry Chapter

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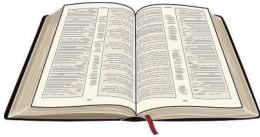
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Bible Verse

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory. Ephesians 3:20-21



Ways to Partner with Us.

Currently we only have two ways to donate:

- * Mail a check to our office
- * Set up a direct deposit from your bank to ours. Contact our office to get the form.
- * Scan to go to our donate page on the CEF website.



From the Director's Desk

We are in challenging times, but we are also in exciting time. Our culture continues to move away from God's desire for His people. Our culture tells us that there's no God. That you're your own god; you think, "I am in control of my own life. The statistics tell us that America's focus is away from God and on their own purposes. We are losing another generation of kids! I remember back in the 1990's when we thought, that if we didn't do something we would loose a generation.. Well, we have lost one generation, and in my opinion we are on the way to losing another. BUT, there is hope. The gospel will NOT return void. Therefore, we have to be consistent and with perseverance, keep sharing the gospel.



I am thrilled to tell you that all the Released Time and after-school ministries are going strong. They are all in record attendance. I have to give praise to the entire GNC team. Here is one example from our Strodes Mills Released Time ministry. For the last three years they haven't had more than five kids in their club. Through everyone's effort, we now have 15 kids. Teachers are constantly teaching the kids that they are missionaries to their classmates. Virginia, Linda McCaulley (and her grandkids), and myself advertised at the Lewistown Ice festival about the Strobe Mills Released Time Ministry. I, myself went to the stores and housing areas where these kids live. God used all of these endeavors to make a difference for the kingdom. Here is one highlight from the Ice festival, over half of the families that stopped by our booth was from Strodes Mills school. That is all God's work.

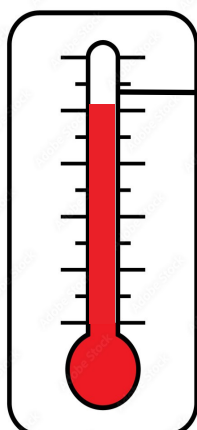
As the Good News Club comes to a close this spring, we are trying to connect our kids to local churches, and other ministries in CEF, like 5-Day Clubs®, Camp Good News®, and even to our Mailbox Club, so we can continue to disciple kids throughout the summertime.

I want to thank everyone, because we all are part of this crucial ministry in bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to the public school kids. Thank you.

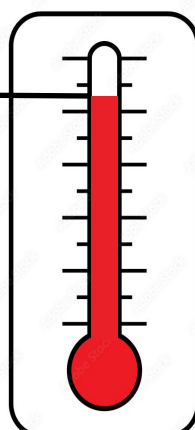
Joe Cook, MJP Director

OUR PURPOSE

Child Evangelism Fellowship® is a Bible-centered organization composed of born-again believers whose purpose is to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to establish (disciple) them in the Word of God and in a local church for Christian living.



January Giving
\$8,275.00



Budget amount needed
each month
\$8,500.00

We are asking that you would pray and seek God about partnering with us in the ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Preparing for our Summer Ministry through CYIA



Our focus for the fall, winter, and spring time seasons is ministering to children in the Good News Clubs®. Having Released Time Clubs and Afterschool Clubs we reach on an average of about 65 children in each of our seven clubs with the “Good News” of Jesus Christ.

Now at the beginning of the year, we started to transition into the next ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship, which is CYIA, Christian Youth in Action. We started to pray and focus on recruiting youth between 14—20+ years of age.

This will be Joe and my first time working with the CYIA ministry. We would appreciate your prayers as we venture out through each aspect of what will go on in the coming months. We are looking forward to working with the youth and are excited to see how God will work in our lives and the lives of the youth during this time. I am sure that it will be a life changing experience for us all as the youth go through the training. This training prepares them to be able to go out into the mission field of MJP to teach the Gospel through the Wordless Book and teach God’s word through daily Bible messages. They will learn how to teach songs, teach Bible memorization to the children in a one-week camp setting at Kish Park, and 5-Day Clubs scattered throughout our three counties.

I can’t wait to hear the testimonies from the youth on how the Lord worked in their lives during the summer. Below in the left-hand box you will read the testimony of one of our past CYIA summer missionaries. Thank you Alicia Hamilton for sharing your experience in what the Lord did through you in CYIA.

Joe spoke at MCCA and many of the high school students showed an interest in maybe applying for CYIA. In the coming months, we will be going over to Juniata Christian and BMS in Belleville to speak to their high school students. We have been praying that the Lord would speak to the hearts of these youth and they would make a commitment to join the MJP CYIA group by becoming a summer missionary. We covet your prayers throughout the coming months.

Thank you

~Virginia Cook, MJP Ministry Coordinator



Alicia Jost

Hello, my name is Alicia Hamilton (Jost) and I was a CEF summer missionary from 2008 through 2011. My time as a summer missionary has greatly impacted my life beyond just a fun and exciting summer job for a young adult. The obvious is true, you will strengthen public speaking skills, learn how to move beyond your comfort zone and

develop friendships that will last years as a missionary. But more than that, I have seen CEF’s training stretch my understanding of the Bible and open my eyes to how the gospel message is underlying all of scripture, not just the gospel books. This experience has taught me how to uniquely connect concepts from well-known Bible stories as well as find hidden applications to my own life. It has challenged me to handle conflict in a loving, godly manner. And remarkably, I have gained a support system that I know is reliable and deeply embedded in God’s word and prayer. Without this experience, I can honestly say that my faith would not be where it is today. If any young person is interested in pursuing an opportunity with CEF, I highly encourage you to consider it. It will be an experience that will leave you changed in ways you did not expect.

Bus Ministry

WHY: This is vital part of our CEF ministry



WHAT: CEF/MJP hires five buses to move kids from their school to an area church so they can attend a Good News Club. This is a one hour event to share the gospel of Jesus. The cost to employ these buses is at the lowest rate possible, as directed by the Department of Transportation: \$60.00 per round trip. That means that the ministry expense is \$300.00 each week for 26 weeks.

HOW: You can be involved by donating directly to our bus ministry. We can provide a bus coin bank so the church can display it during the month of May. We have chosen May for our campaign because it marks the anniversary of CEF, it is our 88th year of ministry.

Calendar of Events

Mar 3	Joe preaching Landisburg COG	Mar 4	Joe speaking at BMS
Apr 2	Joe speaking at Juniata Pastors Prayer Breakfast	Apr 12	GNC Appreciation Luncheon
	Apr 22-26		CEF Regional Conference.

Praises

- * New financial support of MJP
- * Teachers/helpers that support GNC
- * Potential students interested in serving in CYIA
- * Continued increase attendance in current GNC

Prayers

- * Staffing and missionaries for CYIA summer ministry
- * Locations to have CYIA summer missionary work
- * New GNC to open in Juniata & Perry County
- * Additional financial support for MJP