



Tri-County Review

Child Evangelism Fellowship of PA, Inc.
Venango, Forest & Clarion Counties

*“...Enter his gates
with thanksgiving and
his courts with
praise...”*

Psalm 100:4

*New International
Version*

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*We have a new
Facebook page up
and running! "Like"
us to keep up with
opportunities to
serve, happenings
and prayer requests!*

God is still faithful!

We have much to be thankful for! You may have heard Beth's voice when calling our office or seen her face at a Good News Club. She has been enveloped in training since she started with CEF in mid-September and has done well learning the ropes! Beth has a heart for ministry and seeing God's work take place in lives. As she requested, please do pray for her as she continues to learn and grow. Being in ministry can be difficult; having God's people cover those on the front lines is extremely important. Thank you for covering Beth in prayer. We are excited that she has joined our team! Please welcome her when you see her!

"I'm so excited to be here at CEF! I have lived in Franklin for 7 years. I have been married for 11 years to my husband, Phillip. We have 4 boys, ranging in age from 9 1/2 to 18 months. I have a BA in Christian & Youth Ministry and have served in many facets of ministry ranging from house parenting, to youth to crisis pregnancy. I was a stay at home mom (again) over the summer but I'm convinced that God works all things out for His purposes and that moving me into this ministry as part of His "behind the scenes" work. As I learn about all things Good News Club and the reach of CEF in our community, I am becoming more aware of just how God is moving me and fitting me into the working of CEF of VFC. I covet your prayers as I move forward and continue to learn, grow, and develop where God has called me."



God's has been at work in Good News Clubs! Despite some challenges and having to put some clubs on hold this semester, God has continued to be faithful! Each club has been working hard to make sure the Gospel is moving forward! God is working in the hearts of these kids who come to club. Questions are being raised in their hearts and growth is taking place. Pray for the ending of the semester for clubs and the planning that goes into making sure we are ready for the spring semester.

Beth Blogs: I have been out and about visiting the Good News Clubs that are in full swing! It is exciting to see the different "flavor" of each club. I am humbled at the numbers of volunteers and the way in which they so freely and gracefully give of themselves. The work that is taking place in our community because of these volunteers is incredibly evident! As I more fully take on the role of "Ministry Coordinator", I am excited to get to work more closely with the volunteers to come alongside and equip them anyway I can.

Teaching Children Effectively Course 1



Did you want to participate in the TCE1 class, but the last date or time just didn't work for you? Well, you have another chance to participate! Contact our office and let us know that you are interested. We are working on scheduling new dates .

CEF Around the World

“Fatima comes from a special Roma family living in Kosovo. According to tradition, the first-born child was determined to become the magician for the Roma society area. Fatima was the firstborn. One day she was to follow her father and become the magician. But God had other plans for her.

At first Fatima's life was marked by sad traditions and strokes of fate. Married at age 14 and still new at motherhood, her husband left her because he no longer liked her. Her father arranged for her to be married again. She had a child with him before he was killed in the Kosovo War.

After the war, Christians came to the country and invited the people to meetings where the Gospel was shared. Fatima attended and gradually came to faith. Miraculously her father agreed she should break the family tradition and be baptized.

Though life continued to be difficult for Fatima, her faith remained strong. At age 20 Fatima learned to read and began to serve the Lord. In 2009 she attended a *Teaching Children Effectively*[™] training course in her city and began to teach children in her church. Then she felt God's call to also evangelize children outside the church. The Roma children are especially dear to her heart. Fatima goes where they are and teaches them right on the street. Often into late autumn or even winter, the children's meetings take place outside because there are no heated rooms available for them. For years Fatima has been a great support for Metush and Nora, full-time *CEF* missionaries in Kosovo, and accompanies them on ministry outreaches.

A woman dedicated to sorcery has become a faithful servant of the Most High God! Today it is Fatima's greatest fulfillment when Roma children begin a life with the Lord Jesus to follow Him.”

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In Loving Memory of:

Lynn Say

From Kay Say

Shirley Weaver

From Will and Jean Barris

My cats, GiGi & Billy

From Michael and Pamela Ritts

Budget Corner

Y-T-D 2019 General Funds

Income & Expense

Income: \$29,303.44

Expenses: \$34,472.82

Balance: -\$5,169.38

Matching Donation:

A generous donor contacted us about matching all donations up to \$5,000 between now and January 31! Praise God for His faithfulness and provision!

Praise & Prayer

- Once again place our chapter in the hands of the Lord, praying for His will to be done here.
- Praise for the Good News Clubs that are up and running.
- For the next Local Director; committee members
- Finances for the next director. We have funds for a low salary, not enough to support a bread-winner / single person.
 - Direction for the local committee in fundraising / relationship building.
- Planning of the winter Refresher.
- For Beth as she runs the office in the absence of a local director.
- That there would be a good ending to the fall Good News Clubs.
- Direction for all of the clubs:
 - Clarion – handling the fees; that a good number of children will come to club
 - A-C Valley – for a new team!
 - Keystone – need more workers as they are losing Laney at the end of this semester.
 - West Forest – club times are a challenge; praise the Lord for creativity in dealing with this
 - Clarion-Limestone – connections with families
 - Franklin Central – Another teacher to join Julie in teaching
 - Oil City 7th St. – more workers; connections with families..
 - Cranberry –praise the Lord that the team is working together better this year; that all the volunteers will be able to connect with the children on a heart level.
- Direction from God for the volunteers & churches in reaching out to the families.
 - Creativity, vision, workers
- May the people of Christ have a burden for the lost children & families in our community.
 - May God give them vision & strategy for reaching these families.
 - May the Lord overcome / wipe out apathy, complacency, fear and give His people fervency to build relationships for His name's sake.
- Pray against hopelessness & feelings of being unwanted; pray for hope & value to come to the families in our community.
- For the children who receive Jesus Christ through our programs to be discipled. (This is huge!)
- One of the children who attends club was diagnosed with neurological problems. He was in Children's for several weeks. He has now returned to school but with many deficits in memory. Pray for club leaders, for healing and for the road ahead of him and his foster family
- For parents to realize the importance of on-going church connection for the sake of relationship & growing in the Lord. May God lead them to congregations that are firmly grounded in Him.
- Protect the children & parents from lies of our society that lead them away from the things of God.

*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God:
that if we ask anything according to his will,
he hears us." 1 John 5:14*

“Thanksgiving, afer all, is a
word of action.”

-W.J. Cameron

Have a wonderful and blessed
Thanksgiving!

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Newsletter!

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