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

*“There hath not failed
one word of all his
good promise.”*

I Kings 8:56

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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!

Take Time to Refocus

There are a lot of things vying for our attention on a regular basis. Whether it’s a ringing telephone, the news, your children, or anxious thoughts about the unknown, we have a lot to think about. Thankfully, we have a God who promises peace to our wandering, busy minds. Isaiah 26:3 reads, “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.” When we surrender our minds to the presence of the Lord, He transforms how we think, and ultimately how we live. As believers, God is with us at every moment, but that doesn’t mean we always invite Him along with us. This week, this month, invite God into all of your thoughts, challenges, blessings, and fears. Then find peace in knowing our God is trustworthy and faithful to walk through those things with you.



New Director, Kelsie Kennedy

Hi! My name is Kelsie, and I am so blessed and excited to serve the Lord with CEF of VFC. I am originally from Lewistown, PA, about 40 minutes south of State College. I’ve lived there my whole life with my parents, 2 horses, and yellow lab. Seven years ago, God opened the door for me to volunteer as a helper at Camp Good News in my area. Since then, I have served two years as a CYIA summer missionary, and 3 years as summer ministry coordinator in the Mifflin, Juniata, and Perry county chapter (MJP). The Lord also blessed me with the opportunity to attend CEF’s Children’s Ministry Institute in the fall of 2020.

Summer ministry has been my main area of involvement with CEF because I have attended Messiah College (now Messiah University) during the school year. My major was Human Development and Family Science, with a minor in Children and Youth Services. God blessed me with a wonderful four years of growing and learning at Messiah, during which I was part of the track and field team. I am looking forward to using that education to God’s glory as I interact with churches, schools, families, teens, and children. God, in His faithfulness, has opened the doors for me to serve in this area and I am looking forward to seeing how He will work in this ministry in the weeks and months ahead.

CEF of VFC

What's New? What's Coming?

- Be on the lookout for information on **Bucktails Camp!**
- Mark your calendar! **Week of Giving** coming March 15-19, 2021. See back side for details.
- **CYIA Training School** happening June 19-25 at Camp Harmony in Hooversville, PA
- Calling prayer warriors! We are developing a **Prayer Chain** for requests in VFC. More details to come.

In the last several months, we have received gifts in loving memory of Jean Sheatz. Praise the Lord, for, and thank you for remembering Jean, a loyal volunteer who poured into the lives of her Good News Club students for years.



A photo from Pennsylvania CYIA 2017. Used with permission.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray that God would raise up someone to be the new Office Manager at the CEF office in Cranberry, PA.

THANK YOU, JIM BORCHERT!

After more than 20 years of faithful service in Good News Club, Bucktails Camp ministry, being the reliable “fix-it” man around the office, and wonderful caretaker of the CEF vehicles, Jim Borchert has stepped down from the board. Jim still wishes to help as he can, and we are so thankful to have him! Praise the Lord for Jim’s example of faithful service to the LORD for so many years.



ATTENTION TEENAGERS!

Yes, YOU! Ever heard of Good News Club®? During the school year our chance to connect with children was limited because of school shutdowns, etc. But during the summer, it’s a whole new ball game! We have an opportunity to reach children with the Gospel outside of a classroom or after-school program. This is where *you* come in! YOU have an opportunity to serve the Lord this summer through CYIA® (Christian Youth in Action). This program will equip you to effectively share the Gospel with anyone, even children! You will then put that skill in to practice through CEF® children’s ministry this summer.

CYIA training school connects young people who are on fire for the Lord from all over the state of Pennsylvania through one incredible week of fun, learning, and growth. Training school is one of the best weeks of the year, as the CEF community of PA comes together and goes through a weeklong training. And the best part? It’s all in preparation for a full summer of sharing the Gospel with children.

Do you feel God calling you to serve Him this summer? Will you answer His call to be a missionary in your local area this summer, and teach children the saving news of the Gospel?

Contact us for an application, along with any questions. We look forward to seeing how God will use *you* this summer!

MARCH 2021 PRAISE AND PRAYER

A specific request for each day of the month.

1. Praise God for the faithful volunteers He's provided in the VFC chapter.
2. Pray for our nation, that *GNC would be allowed in schools for years to come.
3. Pray that God will raise up someone to be the new office manager for VFC.
4. Pray that God will give direction for the summer ministry.
5. Pray that God will open the doors to the schools for GNC in the fall.
6. Pray for protection for CEF workers in countries overseas.
7. Praise God for His love and faithfulness, even when we are unfaithful.
8. Pray that God would give unity to the board & Kelsie as they make decisions.
9. Pray for Mark Wyland as he leads CEF of Pennsylvania.
10. Pray that God will provide discernment on Bucktails Camp for Summer 2021.
11. Pray for protection from the enemy for the leaders of CEF of VFC.
12. Pray for USA ministries in Warrenton, MO as they direct ministry in our country.
13. Pray for CEF directors in PA as they navigate COVID restrictions.
14. Pray that God would provide for the ministry during this Week of Giving (15-19)
15. Pray that God will prepare the children's hearts for the Gospel message.
16. Praise God for being constant in a time of uncertainty and change.
17. Pray for CEF President Reese Kauffman as he leads the ministry.
18. Pray that God will raise up teenagers to be involved in CYIA summer ministry.
19. Pray that God would raise up a treasurer to establish CEF in Philadelphia county.
20. Pray for fresh vision for the board and Kelsie as they prep for future ministry.
21. Pray Luke 10:2, that the Lord would send more workers into His harvest.
22. Praise God for the faithfulness of the donors who support the ministry.
23. Pray for the children as they adapt to new methods of schooling due to COVID.
24. Pray for CYIA training school at Camp Harmony June 19-25.
25. Pray for spiritual protection for our partnering churches.
26. Pray that GNC students would return to club in the fall.
27. Praise God that we can come boldly before His throne with our prayers.
28. Pray that God would raise up the right volunteers for Bucktails Camp.
29. Pray for adaptability for staff and volunteers.
30. Praise God for the Gospel that children can know and be saved (Matt. 18:14).
31. Pray that God would open the door for *5DC's this summer.

*GNC = Good News Club

*5DC = 5 Day Club



This is your opportunity to get involved in supporting God's work in CEF of VFC! We are a ministry that teaches children in Venango, Forest, and Clarion counties the Gospel.

Whether you're a faithful donor or have just been introduced to the ministry, the Week of Giving is your chance to support God's work!

THANK YOU for your consideration as this week draws near, and for your faithfulness to our God and His message of Salvation!

Here's how to get involved!

Donate ONLINE: (***NOTICE** online gifts will only be received **Tuesday 3/16 through Thursday 3/18**)

- Go to bbcfives.org
- Search and choose CEF Venango, Forest, Clarion County
- Click "Donate" and follow instructions

Donate by CHECK: (***NOTICE** checks must be received at our office **BY Tuesday 3/16**)

- Send you checks, made out to CEF, to our office with "Week of Giving" on the Memo line

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