



**Since 1937** 

Reaching children worldwide™

Northwest Maryland

Nov./Dec. 2022

December brings the start of...

We are so excited to celebrate the true reason for the season, the birth of our Savior, Jesus!!!

Fully man and fully God, He lived the perfect life to pay the price for our sins.

But it all began in the manger on that night in Bethlehem and we are celebrating it still today!

One Church.

One School.

90 Minutes.

Adopt a school...

Impact the lives of children and families for eternity!



<u>Isiah 9:6</u> For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.



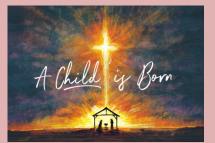
Greetings CEF Family! As you read the exciting news of the work Christ is doing through CEF, please prayerfully consider supporting the ministry financially as He directs!!

Good News Clubs 2022-2023— The new school year is off to a great start with our Good News Clubs in Frederick and Washington Counties!! We have 13 clubs in 11 schools and 1 church club, for a total of 14 Clubs in Frederick County. Then in Washington County, we have 13 clubs in 10 schools and 2 Church clubs for a total of 15 clubs. We ended last year in April with 22 clubs so God has blessed with 7 more and growing. We have 4 single clubs with 50-60 kids in them as well!!!

October was our first full month of clubs and some were only able to meet a few times because of school events. Even with that our total enrollment was 692, up from 547 where we ended in April. Our team members were at 126, up from 113 in April. Lastly and greatest of all, the Holy Spirit has been at work blessing everyone's efforts as there have been 55 children who have made professions of faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. What a blessing for your labor and His Kingdom!!

God has truly been blessing the ministry of CEF in Northwest MD through your prayers, donations, service and commitment to the great commission. We are all excited to see what He has in store for us as the year continues and we seek His will and guidance in all areas. We look forward to your continued support as we grow and reach new areas for the cause of Christ!!

We pray that other local churches and individuals will answer the call and work together with CEF to **change the lives of future generations!** 



Have you ever asked the volunteers at your church "what's it like at Good News Club?

Having just gotten to see the answer to that question myself, lets just say it's worth it to ask if you can visit! You need to see and experience kids explaining what the Mercy of God is, why they know they're going to Heaven, what is sin and so much more. Can you imagine listening to a child pray and thank God for his family, for the chance to come to GNC, for his teachers, and for her school. There are children named Genesis out there and there are kids with tough questions like is homosexuality a sin being asked in 2nd grade! Please pray and get involved.



## Ways YOU can serve with CEF!!!

It has been said that each of us are given time, treasure and talents by God to do work for His Kingdom. Some people recognize this and take full advantage of all they've been blessed with and receive the rewards both here and for eternity in Heaven. My challenge to you is, do you know what your gifts are and how they might be used to help Child Evangelism Fellowship? There are so many ways to serve, and we are expanding those opportunities. So, I felt it was important to take a moment and let everyone know how you and others can impact the ministry in real ways. Once you get a better idea of what those ways are, pray over them and let the Holy Spirit challenge you about how you might be able to get involved or more involved as He directs!

You probably already know that we are always looking for volunteers to help with Good News clubs. That can be in all areas from teaching, administrative, helpers and everything in between. Some work can be done without even going to the clubs and you don't have to commit to every week. Plus, you can even help or be a sub/fill in at another club and do something totally different there. We have folks helping at more than 2 clubs and flying in to help as needed. What a blessing they are to those teams and those kids!

But there are so many ways outside of the clubs where you can get as involved as you would like. We're starting support teams in each county where we get together informally, email, call, text about everything that CEF needs to function. Some of those areas include helping with outreach, fundraising, IT, social media, Administrative, prayer team, video, and so much more!! Wherever your talent or passion may be, there is a place for you to serve and help grow the ministry. No set time commitment or special requirement, just a heart for Christ and reaching the hearts of our young people.

Then we're looking for people who might want to join our Board to help pray and direct the ministry through Christ. There is a monthly meeting with the option to meet via zoom when needed. No major commitments just wanting to grow and work together to lead CEF forward to reach His children.

Of course, prayer warriors are needed to pray over everyone involved as we know anyhing for the cause of Christ is a battle. Satan does not like us reaching children and he will attack in all areas to try and interrupt and discourage all those involved. Prayers of protection, wisdom, provision, victory, thankfulness and praise all the time would be and have been huge!!

Financial donations from one time to monthly, help to support all that we do from buying materials for the clubs all the way down to paperclips. It has allowed us to purchase Bibles for the children and ensure all the needs are met for our now 29 clubs! Our hope is to expand our outreach into the communities by attending events, fairs, markets, yard signs, social media and get the word out that CEF is in their neighborhood!! The more resources we have the more we can share that Good News we have!!

So, as you can see there are more than a few ways you can choose to use your time, treasures and talents for the ministry of CEF. We would be humbled and blessed if you chose 1 or more ways to plug in and let God bless CEF and you for your decision to partner with us. If you know anyone else you think might be interested, please share this information and direct them to us. You can reach out to me directly by phone or email or anyone from the Board if you would like more information. We are excited by what He is doing and believe He is just getting started by His grace!!! Thank you all for your continued support of Child Evangelism Fellowship!

Thank you to all the many volunteers, churches, supporters, prayer warriors and everyone who has contributed to the amazing first few months of GNC's this year. God has worked through **you** to do His amazing work and this is just the beginning. Have a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year.

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