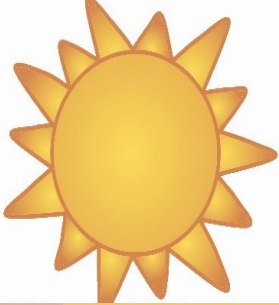


August/Sept 2022



CEF of Morrow - Ashland - Richland - Crawford - Knox

MARCK Messenger

Joy of Living Camp

Joy of Living Camp is located in a beautiful setting beside a river and surrounded by woods. We were meeting the kids in "The Eagles' Nest." 25 kids arrived full of energy and enthusiasm. Captain TA (Dale Baer), Chrona (Ann McKinley) and the villain (Adam Shelton) took the stage for the opening skit. The kids were attentive and engaged through the entire two hours. Several children responded to the invitation and were counseled for salvation and assurance while I continued with the missions emphasis and Adam did the review game, "Race for Points." We ended with "Gaga Ball" outside. There were 5 kids who were counseled for assurance of their salvation and about fifteen kids said they wanted to commit their whole life to Jesus. That's what it's all about. (Be sure to check out highlights on Page 4!)



Pictured to the left are a portion of the 17 children who had grant scholarships to attend Joy of Living camp for a week at the end of June. Our CEF Chapter facilitated a 5-Day Club each evening of the camp. Some fun and encouraging camp highlights shared by kids and parents are on Page 4.

Race to Kids' Hearts!

Katie Hamilton

Have you ever wondered if your backyard, your small or large plot of grass, trees, and shrubs, could be used to usher the gospel of Jesus Christ closer to kids? Don't think too hard because the answer is YES! Perhaps you are suspect of what backyard games, bubbles, and upbeat songs with silly movements could do to bring children and adults closer to our Savior? If you have a few minutes I invite you to let me share what Jesus did in our backyard this summer. My name is Katie Hamilton, and in June my husband Jake and I hosted our 3rd 5-Day Club® with Mansfield Alliance church. For the past three summers we have been blown away by the sheer JOY that has accompanied the arrival of kids to our home each evening for five days. Since we don't live in a "neighborhood" we have to think outside the box. God has

helped us think of, and invite kids that we know through our church, our kid's extra-curricular activities and even kids of my co-workers! During this summer's Superhero theme, the gospel was shared (for the first time for some kids) and reinforced for others. Children's hearts (adults too) were reminded of God's unbelievable love for them. We were able to remind them that it has been through GRACE that we have been saved...not by our own works. What a humbling moment to this 37 year old mom trying to raise her kids in a world that screams "do what you want! You make the rules!" At the volunteer dinner last year, CEF had a guest speaker, Dale Hudson, who spoke words that the Holy Spirit used to burrow such a strong desire in my heart to reach kids with the Gospel. He said "It is a race to our kids' hearts. Whoever gets (Continued on Page 2)



Katie Hamilton (in red) is pictured with two children and helper Mary Appellof as they model the actions to the song "Let me Listen to You, Lord."

“My Life Changed Today!”

Becky Winger

I praise God for the opportunity to host a 5-day club and watch as He brought 16 children to my back yard to hear the Gospel. That in itself is amazing to me since I don't have young children at home to invite their friends. It's all God! As I passed out flyers in the neighborhood, I asked God to bring the children. It was great to see how excited the kids were to be there. The best part though was having 3 boys give their

hearts to Jesus. One boy was having a very difficult day. When his dad picked him up, he excitedly told him, “*Dad, my life changed today!*” And that's why we do this – to make the Good News of Jesus available to children so He changes their lives.

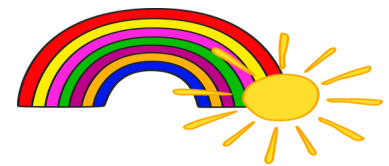
Pictured to the right is a neighborhood 5 Day Club sponsored by Mansfield Alliance Church.



Race to Kids' Hearts (Con't. from Page 1)

there first wins. WOW! As adults we don't have to look very far to realize how the enemy is using every facet possible to distract our kids from God's love. At times it is daunting, but it is also a reminder, that through Christ we can do all things! If he is asking you to volunteer with CEF I'd encourage you to listen! He knows the gifts he has given you and will give you what you need to endure the bubbles, the hot summer evenings, the threat of thunderstorms, and any other hurdles the enemy throws at your team. A good friend once told me when you are doing kingdom work, the enemy is going to do anything he can to throw you off the course. So, take the hurdles you encounter as a reminder that you are doing what Christ has called you to. 5-Day Club continues to be such an incredible ministry that our church has joined CEF to reach kids for

Jesus. As a family, my kids included, we love opening up our backyard to the little people in our lives. They need a strong foundation to be able to stand for Christ in a world that hates Him, as well as those who follow him. So next time you go out into your backyard, ask the Lord, "Lord, do you want my backyard? If so here it is!" If you think it is incredible what Jesus did with the 5 loaves and 2 fish that the little boy, in faith, handed over to him...then just WAIT and see what he can do with your backyard! A special thank you to those who prayed for our 5-Day Club. Our club was during the week of the horrible storms here in Ontario/Lexington/Bellville. Thankfully our home did not lose power and we were able to meet every night. We felt your prayers and were thankful for them.



A 5-Day Club Story

Wednesday was a rainy evening and we could have easily cancelled 5-Day Club for the day, but instead we met under the patio covering. The blessing of the rain was that the kids' focus was better all together under the porch and then for the Super Hero skit we did in the garage. During the Bible lesson that included Noah, there was a rainbow that several helpers saw as they stood in the back of the set up! Awesome!

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August 2022 Praise and Prayer

"There is nothing that makes us love someone so much as praying for them." -William Law

1. Pray for Patty Arvidson as she leads 5-Day Clubs® at East Gate in Ashland this week. Pray for good weather and for kids to be saved.
2. Pray for Dale Baer & Ann McKinley as they will be leading two 5-Day Clubs at the Little Blessings Day Care in Mansfield this week.
3. Pray for Patty Arvidson as she co-leads a 5 Day-Club at First Baptist Church in Shelby with Dale Baer. (6:00-8:00, August 1-5)
4. Pray for our summer CYIA® as they continue to help this summer.
5. Praise God for the salvation of many children this summer at the wonderful 5-Day Clubs in our MARCK Chapter.
6. Thank God for people willing to use their trucks to help transport the CEF tent to ministry opportunities.
7. Pray for a Ministry Coordinator for our CEF Chapter. One person is prayerfully considering this position right now!
8. **Richland County Fair** Wordless Book Tent ministry begins today. Please pray that many children will be saved and grow in Christ.
9. Thank God for our Local Committee that meets today. Please ask God for direction for more members.
10. Praise God for providing finances for CEF of MARCK.
11. Praise God for bringing Committee Member Connie Rhodebeck through a second knee surgery.
12. Please pray for more adults to take the Training Children Effectively™ Class (TCE 1) which is starting on Monday, Aug. 29.
13. Praise God for the CYIA students who help lead children to the Lord at the county fairs.
14. Pray for Ann Hulver, our Mailbox Club Coordinator, as she helps with Biblical discipleship of children, teens & adults through the mail.
15. Taylortown Community Church in Shelby has the last 5-Day Club for the summer this week from August 15-18 (6-8:00 PM).
16. Praise God for Mary Elkins who serves in Ashland and led a 5-Day Club there at the Ashland YMCA reaching 38 kids & 9 saved!
17. Pray for wisdom for Kyle Latchaw as CEF State Director and for Dale as Director of the CEF of MARCK Chapter.

18. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you (Romans 16:20).
19. Pray for protection in travels for summer/fall fair ministry.
20. Praise God for the Quick Start Training today at Journey Church.
21. Thank you that Jesus said, "In the world you shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)
22. Pray for Curriculum Workshop for Ohio CEF workers at Beulah Beach on August 22-24th.
23. Praise God for Mark Boyd who serves faithfully as our State and Local Treasurer with CEF.
24. Pray for God's blessing on all the faithful supporters of CEF of MARCK.
25. **"Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered."** Proverbs 11:25 Thank You, Lord.
26. Praise God for the leadership of Shirley Davidson, our Local Committee Chairperson and Fundraising Chair.
27. Please pray for the Quick Start training today in preparation for the **Good News Club®** starting at East Knox Elementary School.
28. **"From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!"** (Psalm 113:3).
29. Praise God for two students (Dan Fruth & Hillary Diehl) who are planning to take the TCE™ Level 1 course which starts today! Pray for more students to register for this life-changing course by 8/15.
30. The **Morrow County Fair** ministry (Aug. 30—Sept. 5) Please pray for salvation of children at this exciting fair.
31. Pray for many kids, teens, parents & grandparents to get excited about U-NITE TV!
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September 2022 Praise and Prayer

1. Pray for the Morrow County Fair for lots of kids to get saved!
2. We praise God for our faithful fundraiser Shirley Davidson who leads our Coins 4 Kids Fundraisers and banquets every year!
3. Continue to pray for the TCE students as they do their homework and prepare for their homework assignments and practicums.
4. Pray for God's blessing on the **Good News Club®** Curriculum Workshop on Sept. 10 (9-12 Noon) and Sept. 12 (6-9 PM).
5. Thank God for the PLANS God has. He has "plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope" (Jer. 29:11).
6. Praise God that He forgives all our iniquity, and heals all our diseases and He redeems our life from the pit (Psalm 103:3-4).
7. Pray for the CEF International Headquarters in Warrenton, MO that God would give them wisdom as they prepare material.
8. Praise God that the **Mailbox Club®** is still providing FREE lessons in the mail for children, teens and adults through our office.
9. Thank God for our **Mailbox Club Coordinator, Ann Hulver**, who is doing a fantastic job mailing out Bible lessons to the children.
10. Pray for Dale Baer and Patty Arvidson as they lead the **Good News Club (GNC®) Curriculum** Workshop today. (at the MAC)
11. We praise God for every child who has come to know Jesus as their Savior through CEF.
12. Pray for lots of GNC teachers and helpers will come to the GNC "Kick-Off" Training tonight at 6-9 PM (Mansfield Alliance Church).
13. Pray for more churches to adopt a public school and partner with CEF to start more Good News Clubs.
14. In this ever changing world we can praise God that **"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever"** (Heb. 13:8).
15. Pray for God to be glorified through all that we do in CEF.

16. Pray "earnestly" for more laborers; youth that will have a heart to follow the Lord throughout all of life. Pray Luke 10:2 daily!
17. Pray for CEF Board & Local Committee Enrichment today at the Faith Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon (10 AM—4 PM).
18. Pray for God to bless the Ashland County Fair which starts today. Pray for kids to begin close relationship with God at this fair.
19. Praise God for all the partnerships CEF has with other ministries.
20. Praise the LORD for a new school year beginning and for many children to get registered for after school Good News Clubs.
21. Pray for TCE students (Wordless Book practicums this evening).
22. Praise God for his faithfulness (Lamentations 3:22-23) in helping us to reach children this summer through 5-Day Clubs!
23. Pray for **Jeremiah Cho**, the President of CEF International. He just recently took over for Reese Kaufman who retired on June 30.
24. Pray for this last day of the **Ashland County Fair** that children will be able to start going to local Bible believing churches!
25. We praise God for those who have prayed with **Fueled By Prayer** which has provided additional funds for our CEF Chapter.
26. Pray that school principals will be excited to start after school **Good News Clubs®** in the public schools again this school year.
27. We praise God for every supporter and prayer warrior for our CEF of MARCK Chapter.
28. Pray for the TCE students (Wordless Book practicums tonight).
29. Praise Jesus who shed His blood on the cross for our sins.
30. Pray for the CYIA™ (Christian Youth in Action®) Summer Celebration (Sept. 30-Oct. 1). Inspiration Hills Camp, Burbank, OH.



Joy of Living Camp Highlights!

"Lilly had a fabulous time at camp. She came home a changed girl. She has been singing and dancing to all of these amazing songs about God's love. Her favorite song was "My Lighthouse." That song spoke to her. Jesus has truly been her lighthouse through all the sadness she has experienced in her young life. Lilly also came home talking about "grace" and what it means to live a "grace-filled life." I couldn't believe that she could explain the concept of "grace" so clearly. Thank you so much for allowing Lilly to come to your camp. She bloomed just like a lily because of people like you who share the love of Jesus with the children."
 - Lilly's Mom

"Thank you so much for helping me go to camp! I had so much fun!" - Colton

"Colton taught his sister and momma how to sing and dance to "My Lighthouse" song. Colton was noticeably calmer and more collected after his camp experience." - Colton's mom

"The counselors were so nice. The activities were super fun, and I enjoyed it all. It was so much fun tubing, going in the river, having campfires every night and making friends." - Julia

". . . I will remember this forever." - Saniyah

Training Opportunities

Quick Start GNC Training

Saturday, Aug. 20 (9 AM—3:30 PM)

Saturday, Aug. 27 (9 AM—1:00 PM)

At Journey Church (11978 Schenck Creek Rd., Howard, OH)
 This 10 hour training session is required for those planning to teach or help with the Good News Club® we are planning to start at the East Knox Elementary School this fall. There is no cost for this training. Please RSVP (419-756-7799) by 8/17.

Teaching Children Effectively™ Level 1 Training

This 33 hour course is designed to offer a fresh approach to evangelizing and teaching children. Starts Aug. 29 and ends on October 29 (10 weeks)
 To register call 419-756-7799.

Registration deadline August 15, 2022

Class size is limited so register early!

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