March 2025

FRONTLINE'

HILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP OF PA, IN





"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." ~ Matthew 19:14 ~

#### Child Evangelism Fellowship 153 N. Eagle Road Havertown, PA 19083

610-449-9564 cefofdelawarecounty@gmail.com www.cefdelco.com

#### Brenda Smith Director

Ann Marie Callahan Administrative Assistant

Kim Rodkey Director of Development

Sandy Donnelly Children's Ministry Specialist

Connie Lee Children's Ministry Specialist

### A Change that Lasts

Change - it is inevitable. It is one of the few constants in life. Nothing stays the same. Everyone hopes to leave some sort of legacy of change - a cleaner ocean, a greener earth, a next generation. Our younger generation sees the need for change, and they are invested in being a part of the change. There is one change in particular that has an eternal impact. What

if you could be a part of this change right now?

Christian Youth in Action<sup>®</sup> (CYIA<sup>TM</sup>) is an opportunity for teens and young adults to be a part of something that will make a lasting change in the lives of the next generation. Teens from all across the state of Pennsylvania gather together from June 14-20 for training camp in Hooversville, PA. They will receive training in sharing the gospel with



children, teaching Bible lessons and memory verses, running a summer *5-Day Club®* program, and lifelong skills such as time management, conflict resolution, teamwork, and more. They will then spend the rest of their summer through the beginning of August teaching children in 5-Day Clubs and VBS programs around Delaware County. While it is a sacrifice to give up a summer, it is something that makes an impact not just on the children the teens will meet, but on the teens themselves.



If you know a teen who is interested in doing something of eternal value and worth this summer, please email <u>connielee.cef@gmail.com</u> for a *CYIA* application. **Deadline to apply is March 17th**. In addition to the week of training, two pretraining sessions on April 26 and May 17 are required. A second week of training will be held at the local level from June 23-27, and participants are asked to serve for 4 weeks after the initial two weeks of training.

If you are an adult and would like to be a part of this summer ministry, consider hosting a 5-Day Club in your backyard or church. We are in need of safe places for children to gather to hear the gospel. If you would like to become a 5-Day Club host, please reach out to Brenda Smith at <u>cefofdelawarecounty@gmail.com</u>.

Change is inevitable. This summer, will you be a part of a change that lasts for an eternity?



**Issue 3** 

# Kids Are Hungry for God's Word

They can be heard coming down the halls in the schools and entering church buildings around the county - boys and girls excited to be at Good News Clubs! Our spring semester is in full swing and we currently have seven clubs being conducted in Sharon Hill, Aston, Media, Upper Darby, Newtown Square and our online cyber club. They come weekly with hungry appetites to learn more and more about God, His love for them and the truths from His Word. In a world filled with uncertainty, children are taught they can depend on God and His unfailing love for them.





On the first day of club at a local school, Stella responded to the invitation. She told her club teacher that she had never heard about how Jesus

died for her sins before and eagerly trusted in Him as her Savior. Almost the first words out of her mouth after praying were "I want to go to church." For the rest of the time that day her face was lit up with a big smile and she hasn't missed a day of club since.

You can be part of the exciting work God is doing in the lives of children by joining a Good News Club prayer team to pray for a specific club - it's teachers and the children or by volunteering to help in a Good News Club. Contact the CEF office at cefofdelawarecounty@gmail.com for more information. Kids are hungry for the truth and they are being fed and satisfied in Good News Clubs!



# Make Dinner Count!

Make dinner count! Mark your calendars now so you don't miss a night of delicious fun in support of CEF at our Chick-fil-A Spirit Night on **Tuesday, April 8th**, at the Springfield location.

It's simple—just invite your family and friends for one night only and enjoy a meal together, all while supporting



# Support Our Spirit Night!

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Delaware County

**5pm - 8pm, Tuesday, April 8**<sup>th</sup> Chick-fil-A Springfield Park @805 Baltimore Pike Order and opt-in using the Chick-fil-A App.

Chick-fil-A will donate a percentage of eligible mobile order sales: 15% of dine-in and carryout orders through the Chick-fil-A App and 20% of mobile drive-thru orders Email chickfiladave@gmail.com for full details and any questions.







CEF's mission. This is an easy (and tasty!) way to make a difference by doing something you'd already be doing—getting dinner!

Looking for an excuse to catch up with a friend? Here it is! Bring someone you've been meaning to connect with and enjoy great food for a great cause.

We can't wait to see you there spread the word and join us for a night of food, fellowship, and fun!

### Good News Campaign

### The Good News Campaign is Back—Mark Your Calendar!

Exciting news! The CEF Annual Good News Campaign is returning to Delaware County, and you won't want to miss it. This year, we're asking you to save the weekend—**May 3rd, 4th, and 5th**—for a special opportunity to make a lasting impact.

In just one weekend, we're coming together for one of our biggest online giving events of the year. Our goal? To raise the necessary funds to continue the incredible mission of sharing the Gospel with children and discipling them to live for Christ—right here in Delaware County.

Your support makes it possible! Every gift helps provide clubs, supplies, volunteer training, and so much more. *Will you join us?* Mark your calendar and plan now to give in May.

If your church would like to be involved, we'd love to partner with you! Let us know by emailing cefofdelawarecounty@gmail.com.

Stay tuned for more details, and let's spread the Good News together!



Did you know that CEF of Delaware County is on Social Media? Keep up to date with the latest news, ministry updates, and more on Instagram and Facebook @cefdelco



To become a financial partner with CEF, please send your checks payable to CEF to: CEF 153 N. Eagle Rd Havertown, PA 19083 or visit our website at www.cefdelco.com and click the "Donate" button.

### From the Director

For many of us, we're counting down the days until it's spring and with warmer weather, comes the promise of new life as



trees and flowers begin to bloom. What a joy it is to share the gospel message with the children - bringing new life to those who put their faith in Jesus Christ. Jesus came and died for us all, and that means the least of these. Every day, we have the opportunity to reach the demographic that is the most often overlooked, the most easily influenced, and the most frequently targeted. Children today live in a culture that is saturated in messages in clear opposition to the truths of God's Word, leading to increased anxiety and hopelessness. and despite their increased use of social media, they are struggling with isolation and loneliness.

### They need to know there is hope.

Jesus provides that hope! Hope for children like Nico, who trusted in Jesus at club and told his club leader that the best part of club was learning about Jesus!

This is why we conduct Good News Clubs and 5-Day Clubs. It's why we invest in training *Christian Youth in Action*. It's why we train individuals to be effective teachers. It's why we conduct our Good News Campaign. Children are the most fruitful mission field in the world and reaching them with the life-changing message of the gospel is the catalyst behind everything we do. It is light in the darkness, hope for the lonely, and the promise of new, eternal life for the lost. Join us on this mission field - reaching children will change your life too!

~Brenda Smith

### Local Committee

- Alyssa Harvey Chair Mark Frink Treasurer Carol Jones Secretary
- David Cooper Janet Frink Debbie Gaspar Steven Lowis Fran Sine Cindy Van Meerbeke David Van Meerbeke

### **Our Mission:**

To evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, to disciple children in the Word of God, and to establish them in a Bible believing church for Christian living.



Check out cefdelco on social med for regular ministry updates

