

Mountain-Valley News



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Walking and Leaping!

Recently while teaching at the party club in Gordon the lesson caused me to examine my heart and to ask this question, “Do I go walking and leaping?”

In Acts Chapter 3 we read the story of Peter and John. There was a lame man from birth who was carried and laid daily at the gate to ask for alms. He must have been persistent to go every day; do we go to the gate of the Lord every day for what we need? Peter did not have what the man was asking for but must have been moved by this man's persistence, faith or boldness enough to speak to him. The Bible says in verse 5 "he fixed his attention on them expecting to receive something from them". I personally think he wasn't expecting what was about to happen. When Peter reached out to this man the Bible tells us he immediately was healed. His feet and ankles made strong. After this he could have went on his way to his family or friends, yet he went walking, and leaping and praising God.

Here is what I have taken from this lesson personally. Am I persistent, bold and full of faith expecting to receive what God has in store for me? Or do I have a ‘sometimes’ faith? Do I come daily to the gates of the Lord? Or just when I need something from Him? And when the Lord does something in my life, do I hold back, or do I go walking

and leaping and praising God? In 2012 it was hard for me to praise God when I was hurt at work. I faced 2 back surgeries and was unsure if I would walk again. I had a strong faith and believed God would be with me through it all.

Every time I had to endure grueling physical therapy God was with me. Every step I pushed myself to take, God was there. Every set back, every doctor appointment, year after year God was there. I even faced 2 more surgeries and through it all God was there. I praise Him that I can walk, unassisted and give God all the praise for all I went through, all He did for me, and the person it has helped me become.

In our lives we often ask God for one request, but he chooses to bless our lives in other ways. Praise Him when he meets your needs! Praise Him when you are in the midst of the storm! Praise Him when He gives you more than you asked and praise Him when he says wait or no.

Praising God,
Jimmie Lu

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Good News Club® Stats (Oct. to Dec. 2019)

Club	Enrolled	Professions
2 All-year ASGNC	78	4
7 Two-semester ASGNC	162	9
2 RTGNC	59	18
5 Regular GNC	38	0
16 Good News Clubs	337	31

Good News Party Club Stats (January)

Location	Enrolled	Attendance	Professions
Mahanoy City	28	6	0
Gordon	8	3	1
2 Party Clubs	36	9	1

ASGNC~ *After-school Good News Club®*, RTGNC~ *Released Time Good News Club®*

Volunteer Training Classes

Morning class 13 attendance

Evening class 6 attendance

2020 Budget Corner

Yearly Budget: \$114,313.

YTD Income as of January 22 \$6,179.74

TD Expenses as of January 22 \$9,849.22

Difference: —\$3,669.48

Monthly Budget: \$9,526.

www.communityaid.net

The Community Aid

bin is located at:

1315 Long Run Road

(Route 443 West)

Friedensburg PA 17933



Community Aid takes donations of clothes and sells them in their stores. What is not sold is bundled and donated overseas. CEF of Schuylkill County receives \$.04 a pound.

**Gifts were given to Child Evangelism Fellowship
of Schuylkill County
December 20, 2019 to January 22, 2020
to the Glory of God**

In Loving Memory of:



My brother, Skip Snyder

By: Joan Mengel

Ken and Gloria Zimmerman

By: Kathy Zimmerman

Jesse Zerbe's Birthday

By: Jeanette Zerby and Family

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2020



June 22-26	Lewistown Valley Tabernacle, Tamaqua
June 29-July 3	Chinatown, Philadelphia
July 6-10	Valley View Park, Valley View
July 13-17	Manbeck's E. C. Church, Rock (Pine Grove Area) (Transportation is provided for Pine Grove area children)
July 20-24	Christmas Pines Campground, Auburn (Swimming is scheduled at Auburn)
July 27-31	Higher Ups Park, Ashland (Near the Pioneer Tunnel)

Who: Any child entering 1st grade (completed kindergarten) through those entering 7th grade (completed 6th grade) are welcome to attend as campers. Upon completion of 7th grade, older youth may qualify to serve as helpers. (Many students earn community service hours for helping at camp.)

Time: 9:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. daily

Cost: \$35. per child for the week. There is a \$5. per child discount for early registration.
(No child is turned away due to a lack of funds~ sponsor money is available.)

Purpose: Our goal is to give every child in the area, no matter their location or situation, the opportunity to hear about Jesus through a memorable week at camp.

Good News Day Camp is a day packed with Bible lessons, crafts, recreation, and surprises. Each camper and staff member should bring a lunch and drink each day. Sn-Kones will be served every afternoon.

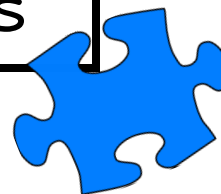
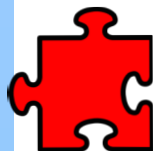
We will gladly mail you a camp registration form or you can download the registration form from the website listed below.

Volunteers are needed to serve at each week of camp.

If you would be interested in helping to reach the children in your neighborhood with the soul-saving message of the Gospel, please contact CEF.

Phone: 570-682-9790
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Bits and Pieces



December Report

Lessons graded:	52
Certificates earned:	8
New students:	1
Salvation:	1



The following is from a note Mrs. Artz received from one of her Mailbox Club students:

"Dear Mrs. Artz, How did God even create us? Did he create the world? And what does he look like? I've been wondering all of those questions. Is it hard being God? How does he get to all of those children and adults? Did you make up the Mail Box

Club and make it a thing? Because I think it's cool. Sorry about all of my questions I'm just curious.

Merry Christ-mas! Yet it's all about Jesus's Birthday. I think it's cool that Jesus was born on Christmas. It must have been horrible getting nailed to a cross it's sad that he didn't even sin once but he died on the cross for us. That's sad dying a death like that but good thing he rose from his grave and had a feast. But Jesus did that for us."



Craft Items Needed:

- ✓ Half gallon milk or juice cartons ~not plastic (tops may be open in order to stack them)
- ✓ New popsicle sticks
- ✓ Tongue depressors
- ✓ 8 oz Styrofoam cups

