

Mountain-Valley News



CEF® office

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“We were small, but alive!”

These are the words Pastor Keith McCarthy used to describe the camp held at Primrose Bible Church, Minersville area. There were 14 children in attendance, small in comparison to the other camps~ but alive!

I'm always moved at how God works in the lives of the children He sends to camp. The missionaries that week were Jeff and Melissa Beauvais. They were telling about the ministry “The Shoe that Grows” along with sharing the Gospel with the children. On Friday, Melissa felt led to pray individually with those who were at camp: children, team assistants, team leaders, etc. She stood at the side of the pews and encouraged those who so desired to line up and she would pray with each person. I was skeptical because most of the 14 children were in K-2nd grade and I thought they wouldn't understand what Melissa was doing or be able to sit through it. Was I ever wrong!

As I watched children began to line up and quietly wait their turn. Team leaders, assistants, staff~ Melissa prayed while Jeff quietly played piano. When noon time came and the line was set, those who were not in line went out for lunch. After about 10 minutes I noticed a kindergarten boy, who had gone out for lunch, was now in line. This is what I later found out:

After his team leader had taken them downstairs, the little guy requested to go up and pray with Melissa! This very rambunctious boy stood quietly waiting for prayer. He also made a profession of faith in Jesus as his Savior.

At Tamaqua we were short-staffed, but not short-handed because the team of volunteers worked well together and helped each other out. In attendance were 3 sets of twins! That was a first. The “blue team” of boys was mostly kindergarten. There were 10 on the team, but when you watched them play it looked like 30! (10 boys that age is busy) We taught them an exciting game: Dead Fish. For about 20 minutes these boys would lay on the ground in a row and be dead fish. Then they would go for a swim down the macadam and come back to lay on the dock as dead fish. Sometimes they were even sardines in a can. It still makes me laugh when I think about it! Too cute.

Valley View as a perfect weather week with many children in attendance and lots of fun.

Auburn was short handed as several volunteers just didn't show up. God is good and the summer missionaries stepped up and did triple duty and the office staff filled in the gaps.

Pine Grove~ there were 18 children on the bus, so we are planning to bus the children next year.

As always, I look back and remember all that God has done and I rejoice.

To God be the Glory,

Shelley

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**Gifts were given to Child Evangelism Fellowship
of Schuylkill County between
May 22 to August 24, 2018
to the Glory of God**

In Memory of:

My Sister, Elaine Bender

By: Joan Mengel

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By: Joan Mengel

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2018 Budget Corner

Yearly Budget: \$107,385.

YTD Income as of Aug. 24 \$82,047.

YTD Expenses as of May 18 \$87,727.

Difference: \$ -{\$5,680.}

Monthly Budget: \$8,948.

	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>
Lessons graded:	51	40	59
Certificates earned:	4	6	2



Here's what the kids are saying who complete the Mailbox Club:

Question: Did you enjoy these lessons?

Child: "Yes, because I get to know more about Jesus."

11 Year old girl: "You were so right in saying that we are blessed to live in our country. There are still bad things going on in our country, but we have it so much better than lots of the world, and God is definitely the cause of that greatness."

"Can't wait for my next lesson." 11 year old child who attended Good News Day Camp after completing her first lesson.

Community Aid Bin

Location: 1315 Long Run Road, Friedensburg

CEF of Schuylkill County receives \$.04 per pound for donated clothes. The clothes are then sold at affordable prices at the Community Aid Stores and leftover clothes are bundled and shipped overseas to needy areas.

*There is a lot of activity along this stretch of Long Run Road~
we often see people dropping off bags of clothes to fill up the bin. Thank you!*



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Summer Statistics



Good News Day Camp	Enrolled	Professions of Faith
Tamaqua	71	4
Valley View	63	8
Pine Grove Area	45	5
Auburn	63	9
Minersville Area	14	2
<i>5 Camps</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>28</i>



5-Day Clubs	Enrolled	Professions of Faith
Grace Bible Church of Hawk Mtn.	11	0
First UM Church, Pottsville	4	1
Simpson UM Church, Gordon	20	1
<i>3 Clubs</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>2</i>

Open Air Ministries	Children who heard the Gospel	Professions
Community Carnival, Tamaqua	30	1
Schuylkill County Fair	110	1
<i>2 Open Air</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>2</i>



Sumer Totals:
431 Children heard the Gospel and 32 children expressed belief in Christ
\$2,785.59 was raised toward foreign missions.

Volunteer Training Class

Training Class is open to all who are involved in children's ministry. Our focus will be on Creation through Noah and the birth of Christ. A time of devotions and a challenge to Scripture memorization will also be shared. If you are a *Good New Club*[®] volunteer please be sure to attend as this is when you will receive all the necessary materials for club.

All training classes are the same~ there are four opportunities to attend:

Date: Tuesday, September 18
 Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Location: CEF Office
 711 Deep Creek Road
 Hegin

Thursday, September 20
 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Calvary Evangelical UM Church
 824 Catawissa Road
 Tamaqua (Lewistown Valley)

RSVP: Monday, September 10
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