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Run to the Roar

Earlier this year, Linda shared a thought from a teaching she and Keith had been discussing. When lions hunt, the male will locate the prey and give a ferocious roar. What the prey does not know is that the lionesses have positioned themselves opposite from the male. It is the lionesses that do the killing. When the prey runs away from what they think is the danger (the male lion) they are, to their detriment, running toward it!

The challenge is to run toward the roar. That goes against everything within us. To run toward the roar?! Right now, there is much that is the “roar”: Covid19, a new presidency and all the changes that are being made, the debates regarding the safety of the vaccine, rioting, social distancing (or not), to wear or not wear a mask, loss of jobs, you name it, it has a “roar.” Add to that the questions regarding the ministry, “How to reach the children with the Gospel?”, “Will the children come to camp?”, “Will camp be fully staffed?”, “How do we reach new areas of the county where we don’t have any ministry?”, and many other concerns. My husband said my thoughts are like ping pong balls bouncing around in my brain. Good description!

I believe as Christians we run toward the roar when we pray and press into our God. Now is not the time to throw

our hands in the air and give up. Now is the time to stand. To “*not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let (our) requests be made known to God.*” Philippians 4:6

In the next verse we hear what God promises to those who run toward the roar in prayer and with thanksgiving: “*And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*” Philippians 4:7

Pray for us to be obedient when courage fails, for boldness to preach the Good News of Christ Jesus, fresh ideas to reach the children, and for a humble heart that relies totally on God.

Running toward the Roar,
Shelley

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**Gifts were given to CEF between April 21 to May 19, 2021
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Good News Day Camp

June 28-July 2
Tamaqua
July 12-16
Valley View
July 19-23
Pine Grove
July 26-30
Auburn
Aug. 2-6
Ashland



For details and a registration form:

Call: 570-544-8042
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Items Need for Camp

- Paper towels
- 1/2 Gallon cardboard milk/juice containers
- Popsicle sticks (4.5")
- Tongue depressors

We appreciate your support of CEF Good News Day Camp by collecting the needed supplies for crafts and cleanup.

Budget Corner

As of May 19, 2021

YTD Income	\$40,004.
YTD Expenses	\$38,240.55
Difference	\$1,764.

2021 Budget \$109,821

Mailbox Club Stats

April

*Lessons graded: 22
*New students: 1
*Certificates earned for completing a series: 2
*Professions of faith: 0



Pray for this ministry.

Bits and pieces.

Please join us to pray for the summer ministries.

On Sunday, June 13 at 6:00 p.m. we will again have an hour of prayer for the ministry of CEF of Schuylkill County. Our focus will be on Good News Day Camp, 5-Day Club (Zoom) for the Chinese children in Philadelphia, and the open air street ministry we will be doing in Pottsville.

This time of prayer will again be lead by Thomas Bush from *Prayer Assist* who will be joining us from California via Zoom.

Date: Sunday, June 13

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: St. John's Reformed Church,
17 Chestnut St., Friedensburg
(Behind Friedensburg Fire House)



OPEN HOUSE

Please join us on Saturday,
June 5 from 11:-00-1:00.

This is an opportunity to meet the CEF of Schuylkill County committee and to see the new office.

Light refreshments will be served and we will have games set up for the kids.

We hope to see you then.

Neighborhood Souls

According to *Kids Count Data Center*, as of 2018, there are 12,596 children between the ages of 5 and 12 in Schuylkill County. That's 12,596 souls that need to hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. "But how can they call on Him they have not believed in? And how can they believe without hearing about Him? And how can they hear without a preacher?" *Romans 10:14 HCSB*

Telling others about Jesus should be the easiest thing in the world to do for those who have believed in Him as their Savior. Yet, those of us who know the Lord also know how hard it is to share the message of salvation with others. While CEF does not have all the answers they do have a method of sharing the Gospel that is tried and true, The Wordless Book. In 1866 Charles Spurgeon told of "an unnamed minister who had put three pages together and often looked at them to remind himself of his sinfulness, Christ's blood poured out for him, and of the 'whiter-than-snow' cleansing provided for him." Over the years the gold page and green page were added to emphasize who God is and the need for Christian growth. Since 1939 CEF has printed The Wordless Book, as we know it, with five pages: Gold, Dark, Red, Clean, and Green. The Wordless Book is the tool used in the course *Teaching Children Effectively™* Level 1.

Teaching Children Effectively (TCE™) Level 1 is designed to offer a fresh approach to evangelizing and teaching children. Based on spiritual and educational principles, the course provides the methods and procedures to lead children to Christ and immediately equips the believer to begin and sustain a ministry where he lives. Student practicums are a vital part of the instructional procedure which makes *TCE* a refreshing way to train Christians in child evangelism. *See enclosed flyer for more details.*

How many of the 12,596 souls live in your neighborhood? Let CEF help to equip you to reach the children in your community with the Gospel. Register today to participate in *TCE™* Level 1.