

Mountain-Valley News

Out With the Old, In With the New

s we turn the page of our calendar to the New Year, the phrase "Out with the old, in with the new" comes to mind. This is the time of year when we think about changes that we want to make to improve our life.

I'd like to share with you what is going out and what is coming in here at CEF^{\circledast} . Physically speaking, the old windows are going out, and new ones are coming in. Since our last newsletter, generous donations have come in toward our new windows so that we have enough money for 3 windows! We have been so encouraged by your generosity!

Also, going out are the old ways of finding summer missionaries. In January, we will be having an informational get-together for potential summer missionaries. Being a summer missionary is hard work, and it needs to be a calling from the Lord. We are not looking for young people who just want a summer job. We are looking for those who love the Lord and want to serve Him by sharing the Gospel with children in whatever way is needed. This meeting will allow young people to see the cost as well

as the blessings of being a summer missionary.

Going out are old ideas about prayer, and coming in are plans for new intentional prayer time. We have a weekend Prayer Summit planned April 29 and 30th. We will be praying for different areas of the ministry and our country. In light of the rapid changes in our country, we need to be seeking God's face not just as individuals, but together as the body of Christ. Details for this event will be announced later. Please plan to join us!

There is one thing, however, that is not going out. We will never change the truth of the old, old story of salvation through faith in Jesus. Many people today want to change that message. Even some professing Christians are throwing out their belief in God's inspired Word, the seriousness of sin, the validity of Christ's death and resurrection, and the power of the Gospel to change lives. So, be assured, we will never be changing that message because the old, old story is what brings new life!

- Linda

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Gifts were given to CEF between November 12 to December 15, 2021 In Memory of...



Mary Ann Boyer (Deb's mom)

By: Stephen & Deborah Babb

Mr. & Mrs. Laurin Edmonds

By: Atty. & Mrs. Martin Cerullo

Mike "Pap" Gilbert

By: Carol Merbah

Edith Header

By: Ed & Margaret Mitchell

Dave Kramer

By: Janet Kramer

Maribeth Lantz

By: Charles & Audrey Lantz

Les Mengel

By: Joan Mengel

Pauline Schoener

By: Maureen & Ernie Schoener

Karli Snyder

By: Jaimi Spickler

In Honor of...

Jane Baudoin

By: Shelley & Ron Hikes

Our Bethesda Prayer Group

By: Charlie and Sue Killian

Our Employees

By: Ark Rentals

Our Grandchildren

By: Mr. & Mrs. Mark Masser

Shelley Hikes

By: Gary & Suzy Billman

Judy Ketz

By: Evelyn M. Jones



November Good News Club® Stats

Ministry	Enrollment	Professions
7 ASGNC	156	17
5 Regular GNC	66	2
Total Children Reached	222	19
Total Children Reached	232	19



Mailbox Club Stats

November 2021

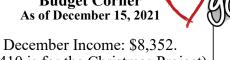
*Lessons graded: 18

*New students: 0

*Certificates earned for completing a series 1 *Professions of faith: 0

Pray for more children to sign up for the lessons.





(\$3,410 is for the Christmas Project) December Expenses: \$6,118.

Monthly budget need: \$9,152.

Weekly Time of Prayer

Wednesdays 12:30-1:30 CEF office.

All are welcome.

Stay and pray as long as time allows.

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Bits and pieces.



Volunteer Training Class Monday, January 17

If you teach children in Sunday school, AWANA, Junior Church, or on Zoom, you are welcome to attend Volunteer Training Class. CEF of Schuylkill County has a lending library of material~ and it's all FREE! While the training class does focus on the *Good News Club program*®, we do offer helps that are beneficial for all those who teach kids. This would also give you the opportunity to check out the CEF materials for use with your church. *Please RSVP by January 12*

Location: CEF Office, 101 High Road, Pottsville PA 17901

(the office is located off 901 west of Minersville in the village of Primrose)

Times: 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon

6:30 — **8:30 p.m.** (both classes are the same)

Snow makeup date is Monday, January 24



Good News Day Camp 2022

June 27-July 1 Lewistown Valley Tabernacle, Tamaqua

July 11-15 Valley View Park, Valley View

July 18-22 Manbeck's E. C. Church, Pine Grove (Transportation for Pine Grove is available)

July 25-29 Christmas Pines Campground, Auburn

August 1-5 Higher Ups Park, Ashland (Near the Pioneer Tunnel)

Cost: \$35 (\$5 early registration discount)

Volunteers are needed.

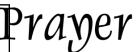
Would you prayerfully consider helping at camp to reach the children in your neighborhood with the Gospel?

Call 570-544-8042 for more information.

Mark your calendars:

"Remember the Lord...and fight" Nehemiah 4:14

Saturday, April 30, CEF of Schuylkill County will be hosting Thomas Bush from Prayer Assist (San Diego, CA). Thomas will be leading us in a time of worship and prayer on Saturday morning from 9:00-12 noon. This will be a focused time to worship God and pray for the children of Schuylkill County, our school teachers, and the summer ministries. Details will follow in an upcoming newsletter. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us as we seek the face of God on behalf of our county.







This course is valuable for anyone who teaches children whether in Sunday school, AWANA, Junior Church, VBS—for anyone who wants to reach children with the Gospel.

Teaching Children Effectively™ Level 1

WHERE: CEF Office 101 High Road Minersville PA 17901

(West of Minersville~ Area known as Primrose ~just off route 901)

WHEN: Saturdays 8:30 - 4:30

February 12,19

Make up day if needed ~ February 26

March 5, 12, 26

Make up day if needed ~ March 19 & April 2

COST: \$125.00 per person

(includes all course materials and CEF *Turned Around* curriculum) (Scholarships are available)

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: January 21, 2022

\$50.00 non-refundable fee required to register~ fee will be applied to the cost of the course.

For more information or to register call 570-544-8042 or email cefschpa@gmail.com

A certificate will be awarded to those who successfully complete the course requirements and CEUs can be issued.

*College credits awarded at some universities.

Course Objectives:

To provide each student with:

- Increased knowledge about the spiritual needs of children
- Effective methods of evangelism
- Basic skills for organizing and conducting productive children's Bible classes
- Practical ideas, which make learning enjoyable for boys and girls

Course Subjects:

- How to Lead a Child to Christ
- Scripture Memorization
- Bible Lesson Preparation and Presentation
- Discipline
- Music
- Visual Communication and more

Teaching Children Effectively (TCE^{TM}) 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 make TCE a refreshing way to train Christians in child evangelism.