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Mountain-Valley News

“A Fly on the Wall”

Hey there, I’m Jerusha! I’m relatively new here having begun working in the CEF office in the Spring of 2021. I’ve been learning so much through the last few months; everything from teaching a Good News Club to coaxing our finicky folding machine. One of the impactful lessons God has been teaching me through CEF has been the necessity and power of prayer. More and more our office staff is burdened by the prayer needs of the children in our clubs. I wish you could be “a fly on the wall” at our Good News Clubs to see the children for yourself. I’m sure many of you would be blessed, but also burdened to pray for the children living in our county. Since you can’t be “a fly on the wall” (volunteering is the closest you’ll get to that) I’d love to give you a brief glimpse through my eyes into the three Good News Clubs I’m a part of. It’s so much easier to pray when you have specifics.

At the GNC in Shenandoah Elementary school we meet with the children in the school cafeteria. They listen intently and often ask thoughtful questions like, “How did God save people in the Old Testament?” and “Who

made God?” When we sing the songs, the kids follow along with hearty singing and their best attempts to follow the motions. They’re an easy group to love. Yet many of them have hurts in their pasts; separation from both parents, separation from siblings they love or tragic loss of a parent. They need prayer for godly role models in their lives that can pour into them regularly.

At our Pottsville GNC the children meet in a church sanctuary. We go to the children’s houses to invite them and then drive them to the church on a bus. Sometimes the kids run out excitedly to meet us forgetting their coats, other times they’ll start coming with us, but will turn back because they’re afraid of missing supper and they know there won’t be leftovers when they get home. Their Biblical understanding is very limited. All the Bible stories Shelley has been teaching are totally new to them. The more we learn about their lives we are heartbroken by the situations and backgrounds they come from. Please pray that the children keep coming and that God will ground them in Biblical truth.

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Gifts were given to CEF between January 20 to February 22 , 2022

In Memory of...



Dean Boyer

By: Joan Mengel

Charles and Ina Luckenbill

By: Will and Connie Wright

Floyd Seltzer

By: Mr. and Mrs. John Seltzer

George and Viola Wright

By: Will and Connie Wright

In Honor of...

Staff, volunteers of CEF

By: Pat Kuchinos

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Good News Club® Stats (Spring Semester Stats will be in the April letter)

Ministry _____ Enrollment _____ Professions _____



Budget Corner

Income: \$5,405.

Monthly budget need:
\$11,170.



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Mailbox Club Stats

January 2022

*Lessons graded: 18

*New students: 0

*Certificates earned for completing a series: 3

*Professions of faith: 1

Pray for more children to sign up for the lessons.



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The GNC at our office is attended by roughly 10 children that live in the neighborhood. We're really thankful that we can reach the children that live close by. A Christian family recently moved into the neighborhood and are so excited that their kids can be a part of GNC. All the kids love to sing the songs and it's such a blessing to hear them belt them out even when it may be a little off tune. Unfortunately, some of the kids have stopped coming for no particular reason. Please pray God gives them a thirst for Biblical truth.

All the children have their own unique lives with their own burdens. But we're so thankful that they're hearing God's Word whether it's in a school cafeteria or a church sanctuary. I hope that this has encouraged those of you who pray so faithfully already and will spur each of you on to consistent prayer on behalf of the children of Schuylkill County. God is moving and it's a privilege to be part of it!

-Jerusha

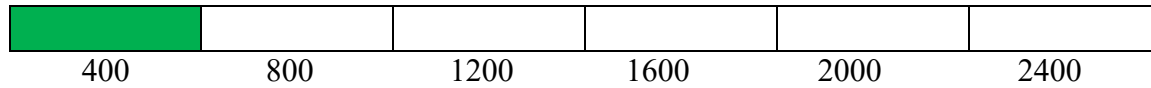


Supplies needed for camp:

- ✓ Large to family size ~ Plastic or Styrofoam meat trays
- ✓ Paper towels

- ✓ Empty toilet paper rolls

Please help! 2,400 empty toilet paper rolls are needed for a craft. So far we only have 400.



Toilet paper roll~ Goal-o-meter

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 <i>(Transportation for Pine Grove is available)</i>
July 25-29	Christmas Pines Campground, Auburn
August 1-5	Higher Ups Park, Ashland <i>(Near the Pioneer Tunnel)</i>

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

Volunteers are needed. Registration is based on the number of camp staff which means, not enough people to staff camp we will need to cut registration. Please consider helping at a week of camp. Those in high school can earn community service hours.

Call 570-544-8042 for more information.

We are praying for 400 children to attend camp this summer.
A minimum of 80 volunteers is need to serve as team leaders and team assistants.
Registration is based on the number of volunteers willing to serve.

Join us in praying for workers and children.

"It is possible to move men, through God, by prayer alone." — Hudson Taylor

Weekly Time of Prayer

Wednesdays

12:30-1:30

CEF office.

All are welcome.

Stay and pray as long as time allows.

There is a mission field outside your door... THE CHILDREN.