

# A ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Schuylkill County Mountain-Valley News

# We Are Thankful

hankfulness should be the demeaner of God's people, and right now we have many reasons to be thankful – even though we are more than a month away from Thanksgiving.

When Shelley and I looked at the list of schools that had opened their doors for *Good News Club*<sup>®</sup> and at our list of volunteers, we were a bit discouraged. You know from the last newsletter that we were concerned that some schools may not have Good News Clubs due to the lack of volunteers.

**BUT WE ARE THANKFUL** because God has raised up for us people to fill in the gaps. God has granted us 6 *new* volunteers (5 young ladies and one pastor) to help in our clubs! Two women who had helped in the past are returning this year. And one of our faithful teachers has volunteered to help at 2 clubs! We are so thankful for God's provision through these willing servants!

*WE ARE THANKFUL* for the men and women who served *GNC*<sup>®</sup> year after year after year. *WE ARE THANKFUL* for the large attendance in our fall Volunteer Training sessions. These were the largest classes that we have had in a long time – thirty total in attendance!

*WE ARE THANKFUL* that God has provided Christina Moyer to come on staff. Christina (Tina) is learning how our office runs and how *CEF*<sup>®</sup> teaches the Gospel to the children. There is much to learn, but Tina has a teachable spirit and is patient with us as we train her.

*WE ARE THANKFUL* for ministries and businesses who have donated candy, toys and office supplies to help  $CEF^{$ <sup>®</sup>.

*WE ARE THANKFUL* for supporters who generously give so that we can pay the fees to have *Good News Club*<sup>®</sup> in the schools!

*WE ARE THANKFUL* for you! You read our newsletter, pray for us, and reach out to help us in any way you can!

"O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good..." I Chronicles 16:34

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## **OCTOBER 2024**

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Gifts were given to CEF between August 17 to September 23 2024

# In Memory of...



By: David Herb James & Donna Kimmel Rachel B. Koppenhaver Jerry & Mary Ellen Krammes

Patsy & Rita Krammes

Jeanette Zerbe

In Honor of...



Nate and Peg Heim's 60th wedding anniversary By Linda Bollinger

All Staff Members By: Joan Mengel

Join us in praying for Schuylkill County. <u>Weekly Time of Prayer</u>

Wednesdays 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Stay for the whole hour, come for 15 minutes, 30 minutes~ whatever fits in your schedule. Let's join together in praying for the children in Schuylkill County.

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter via email please send the request to office@cefschuylkill.com. If you would like to be removed from the mailing list please contact CEF by email, or phone: 570-544-8042.



### <u>August 2024</u>

\*Lessons graded: 58

New students: 16

\*Certificates earned: 6

\*Professions of faith: 0

Pray for the children who have made a profession of faith to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior and Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

Pray for more children to sign up

### **Budget** Corner

2024 Budget \$169,687.80 Monthly budget \$14,140.65

**YTD August 31, 2024** Income \$142,235. Expenses \$134,217. \$8,018.

Online donations are accepted through Tithely.com

# Committee Members

Please consider serving the Lord through the CEF of Schuylkill County committee. This is the decision making body for the ministry. Your gifts and talents can be put to use through the committee. Are you a prayer warrior~ you could be a part of the prayer sub-committee. Are you good with numbers~ you could help the treasurer and be on the budget committee. Maybe your gift is physical labor~ you could help take care of this beautiful property. Maybe your gift is being a good listener and a decisive decision maker~ you are needed. Seek the Lord and see if He is wanting you to serve on the committee that reaches the next generation with the Gospel of Christ.



# **Christmas Party Club**

This November to December will you consider hosting a Christmas Party Club at your church for the neighborhood children? The club would only need to be for 1 1/2—2 hours. The time includes a Bible lesson which teaches the true meaning of our Christmas celebration, games, songs, etc. You can opt to have a craft time and snack/light lunch.

For the past two years, Linda and I have enjoyed hosting a 4 hour long Christmas Party Club. Along with the regular club activities listed above we also have lunch, crafts, cookie decorating, and a movie with popcorn, ending our time together with hot chocolate and another game. Our attendance has been about 20 children with 3 adult staff members. A middle school girl served as a helper.

CEF will supply everything you need to teach the club. For more information call 570-544-8042

