

Mountain-Valley News

New Happenings

would like to introduce to you Christina (Tina) Moyer. Tina came on as staff with *CEF*® in August. She and her family are new to Schuylkill County, having moved from Hanover, PA in July when her husband, Ed, took the position of Youth Director at Bethesda E.C. Church. They have two children: Hannah (7) and Noah (12).

This summer Tina heard about our Good News Day Camps and sent Hannah to camp. When she heard that we needed volunteers for the Auburn camp, Tina quickly volunteered. Before this summer, she had not heard of *CEF*[®]. However, she is learning the ministry quickly and has been a great help in our clubs and at the office.

Tina has been helping with the Shenandoah and Blue Mountain Elementary West clubs. After the first week she remarked how much she enjoyed the clubs and was excited to be able to teach also. Knowing the preparation that goes into each club, Shelley began to teach Tina how to study for a lesson. After a few weeks Tina was ready to teach her first lesson. She did a fantastic job! Now she has



taught several lessons and is learning the other parts of the club. In January she will attend a TCETM class.

In addition to helping at the clubs, Tina is learn-

ing the different parts of running the office. She has become independent in running the newsletter mailing. She is learning how the lending library is organized. Most importantly, she is willing and teachable for any task.

Tina has a heart for all people, not just children, to hear about Jesus. She often looks outside the box to find ways to reach people. We are blessed to have Tina on staff. I hope you get an opportunity to meet her in person soon!

~Linda

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Gifts were given to CEF between October 29 to November 15, 2024

In Memory of...

Jeanette Zerbe

By: Suzanne M. Zerbe

In Honor of...



Pastor Mark and Cindy Brooks *By: Joan Mengel*

Join us in praying for Schuylkill County.

Weekly Time of Prayer

Wednesdays 10:30—11:30 a.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.



October 2024

*Lessons graded: 67

New students: 1

*Certificates earned: 7

*Professions of faith: 7

Budget Corner

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

YTD October 31, 2024

Income \$159,319. Expenses \$158,832. \$487.

Online donations are accepted through Tithely.com

Camp Crafts

The following items are needed for Good News Day Camp crafts:

- Foam meat/vegetable trays—any size
- Cardboard pieces (5' X 7" and larger)

When you buy a new calendar, or sheets, or a tablecloth, there is usually a piece of cardboard included. These would be great for our craft!

- Half-gallon plastic jugs (milk, tea, juice) clean. We do not need the lid.
- Empty toilet paper tubes



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October Good News Club Stats

Location	Enrollment	Professions of Faith
Blue Mtn East	35	0
Blue Mtn West	43	0
Hegins-Hubley	13	0
Mahantongo	20	0
Pine Grove	37	0
Pottsville	23	0
Schuylkill Haven	38	0
Shenandoah Valley	15	1
Tamaqua	30	3
West Penn K-2	12	0
West Penn 3-4	20	2
11 Good News Clubs	286	6

Please pray for the opportunity to counsel each child for their understanding of the Gospel. This is also the time when we ask if they have a church home and if they would like to receive the Mailbox Club lessons.



Christmas Party Club is Coming to a Location Near You!

You are invited to join any of the Christmas Party Clubs being held throughout Schuylkill County. Please be sure to RSVP so that enough supplies are purchased. Feel free to copy and share this flyer.

When: Sunday, December 1

Time: 2:30—4:30 p.m.

Location: God's Mountain Activity Center

Union Street, Pottsville

Contact: Rosella Gottfried 570-294-7413

When: Saturday, December 7

Time: 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Location: St. John's Reformed Church

Fellowship Hall

17 Chestnut Street, Friedensburg

(Church behind Firehouse)

RSVP: November 29

Shelley Hikes 570-739-4049

When: Saturday, December 14

Time: 10:00 a.m.—2:00 pm.

Location: CEF Office

101 High Road, Pottsville

(Primrose area)

RSVP: December 6

Name and age of children to

570-544-8042

When: Saturday, December 7 Time: 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

Location: Lehighton Bible Church

160 Jamestown Street, Lehighton

RSVP: December 1

Carol Sheard 570-657-7709

When: Saturday, December 14

Time: 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.

Location: Kimmel's E. Free Church

179 Pine Creek Drive, Orwigsburg

RSVP: November 30

Kthoppes1999@gmail.com



Looking Ahead to 2025

Tuesday, January 14 10:00 a.m.—12 noon or 6:30—8:30 p.m.

Volunteer Training Classes

These times are open to anyone who teaches children whether at Good News Club, Sunday school, Awana, etc. Both times will present the same information and will include Good News Club lesson material, teaching helps, and a session on discipline.

RSVP: January 16 (570-544-8042)



Saturday, January 18 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Christian Youth in Action (CYIA[™]) promotional meeting

This time is dedicated to hearing from previous summer missionaries and other men and women who have served as a summer missionary in the past and the impact that the ministry has had on their lives (lunch is provided). If you know of any youth who love the Lord and have a passion for missions please have them contact the CEF office for more information. 570-544-8042

Saturday, May 17 10:00 a.m.—12 noon

Prayer Summit

Please join us in praying for our home: Schuylkill County. This is a time for God's people to gather in prayer for our county: our pastors, schools (administrators, teachers, children), government officials. The time includes worship through song, praise, and prayer (small groups and corporately). God has given us the gift of prayer, let's use it to go to the only One who can change the world in an instant. Location: Bethesda E. C. Church, Schuylkill Haven.

Good News Day Camp

June 23-27	Lewistown Valley Tabernacle, Tamaqua
July 7-11	Valley View Park, Valley View
July 14-18	Manbeck's E. C. Church, Pine Grove
July 21-25	Christmas Pines Campground, Auburn
July 28-Aug. 1	Bethany E. C. Church, Ashland

Camps are 9:30-3:00. Cost is \$35. Registration forms will be available on our website in January.