



## The Simple Things

**H**ave you ever thought about the impact of the “**simple things**”?

- ◆ A phone call at just the right time.
- ◆ A picture colored by your child or grandchild and gifted to you.
- ◆ On a busy day, making a cup of tea or coffee and having just a few minutes to yourself.

The impact of the “**simple things**” brings joy and a sense of worth to the receiver.

At *Good News Club*® we see the impact of the “**simple things**”:

- ◆ A riddle displayed on the flannel-board while the children eat their snack~ when club is held in the public-school cafeteria and the room is full of children waiting for the bus, the “**simple thing**” drew the attention of several children who are now attending club, and the attention of the teacher who was monitoring dismissal~ she even pointed out the riddle to the students!

- ◆ A stuffed puppy named, “Woofi, the Missionary Puppy” who is the club mascot. Names are drawn for the children to take turns holding Woofi during the different segments of club. The children look forward to their turn.
- ◆ Prizes for saying the Bible verse and completing the Quiet Time Quest.
- ◆ Volunteers who play a musical instrument and take it to club and play while the children sing along.
- ◆ Homemade cookies

The “**simple things**” given in *Good News Club* often cost nothing monetarily, but the impact touches the hearts of children~ drawing them to the Savior. If you have never thought about volunteering or serving on the local *CEF* committee, remember you don’t need to come with some great skill or finances, bring yourself and share the “**simple things**”.

~Shelley

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## Gifts were given to CEF between February 19—March 23, 2026

### In Honor of...

**Shelley, Linda, and Staff**

*By: Nancy Wertman*

**Shelley Hikes**

*By: Mrs. Joan Mengel*

**Shelley Hikes and her faithful years  
of service as CEF director**

*By: Gary and Suzy Billman*

**Helen Warmkessel**

*By: Stuart and Judith Schappell*



### Prayer Summit

May 16, 2026 (10:00 a.m. to Noon)

Manbeck's E. C. Church

110 Wild Cherry Road, Schuylkill Haven PA 17972.

Let's join together to pray for:

Our schools, children, leaders, government

*"After I made an inspection, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials, and the rest of the people,  
"Don't be afraid of them. Remember the great and awe-inspiring Lord, and fight for your countrymen,  
your sons and daughters, your wives and homes." Nehemiah 4:14*

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### Weekly Prayer Time

**Wednesdays 11:00 a.m.— 12:00 noon**

Join us in praying for the children who live in Schuylkill County. Feel free to come anytime within the hour and to stay as long as you are able. Our children need someone to pray for them~

***are you willing to be that someone?***

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter via email please send the request to [office@cefschuylkill.com](mailto:office@cefschuylkill.com).  
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### February 2026

Lessons graded: 62  
 New students: 1  
 Certificates earned: 8  
 Professions of faith: 0



### Budget Corner

*2026 Budget*  
*\$184,865.*  
*Monthly budget*  
*\$15,405.*

### **YTD as of February 2026**

Income \$46,316.  
 Expenses \$  
 \$30,293.

Difference +\$16,023.

Online donations are accepted through  
 Tithely.com

### **Spring Good News Club Stats**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Professions</b>	<b>New to Church</b>
BMEE	54	0	0
BMEW	38	3	0
HEGINS-HUBLEY	17	0	0
MAHANTONGO	23	0	0
MINERSVILLE	18	5	0
PINE GROVE	18	1	0
POTTSVILLE	33	2	0
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN	26	1	0
SHENANDOAH	25	0	0
TAMAQUA	37	0	0
WEST PENN (K-2)	18	0	0
WEST PENN (3-5)	22	0	0
<b>12 Good News Clubs</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

2026



- June 22— 26**      Lewistown Valley Tabernacle  
*614 Valley Road, Tamaqua*
- July 6—10**        Valley View Park  
*534 Gap Street, Valley View*
- July 13—17**      Manbeck’s E. C. Church  
*110 Wild Cherry Road, Sch. Haven*
- July 20—24**      Christmas Pines Campground  
*450 Red Church Road, Auburn*

**Time:** 9:30-3:00

**Cost:** \$35.00 (Early registration discount \$5.00)

**For children who have completed kindergarten through 6th grade.  
Older children may qualify as a helper.**

*Registration forms are available by mail or through the website: [www.cefschuylkill.com](http://www.cefschuylkill.com)*

Volunteers are needed.

Please consider giving a week of your summer to serve the Lord through the day camp ministry.

***Remember: It’s often the simple things that have a great impact.***

**Donations Are Appreciated!**

- **8 oz Styrofoam cups**
- **Plastic lids 3” or larger (from oatmeal, raisin, coffee, etc. containers)**

# CEF + YOUR CHURCH

Let's reach  
200 Schuylkill  
County kids  
together!

## GET IN THE GAME!



The 2026 FIFA  
World Cup is  
coming to PA  
this summer!

## CEF WANTS TO TEAM UP WITH YOUR CHURCH TO REACH CHILDREN WITH THE GOSPEL

and

## GET THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN CHURCH!

TEAM  
**EFFORT**

YOUR CHURCH CAN PARTICIPATE BY:

- ✓ Customizing an event with *CEF*<sup>®</sup> for your area.
- ✓ Joining in on one of the two current Schuylkill County Soccer Clinic-style events:
  - \* Southeast Region– August 4, 2026 (6:00-8:30 p.m.)
  - \* Northwest Region– August 8, 2026 (9:00-noon)

### Contact our office to learn more!

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## 2026 WORLD CUP OUTREACH!