

LET'S CHAT.. BALTIMORE



April/May 2023 Good News

***14* But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 19:14**

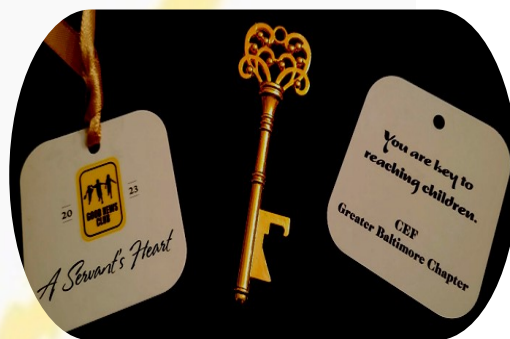
A SERVANT'S HEART AWARD'S BREAKFAST



A delicious breakfast was served to 160 pastors, volunteers, CEF friends and staff on April 1st. Attendees were nourished with the ministry overview and blessed with 200 servant's heart awards. The Greater Baltimore Chapter (GBC), in appreciation for outstanding provisions, awarded our Good News Club (GNC) members, supporting churches and church partnerships. GBC dedicated donors were given accolades, applauses, and appreciation at the podium. Volunteers Ruth Hilbert and Karen McIntyre received awards for accepting the leadership to go into new or existing schools that need leadership for Good News Clubs operating. This often requires 2 to 3 days in the week being in a GNC. Tina Wormley Green also received recognition for successfully gathering a team of volunteers to start a Good News Club at her school where

she has been teaching for more than 10 years. Clubs like these have expenses that are incurred by these ladies for curriculum, snacks, mailings, and other gifts for the children. **THANK GOD FOR THEIR SERVANT'S HEART.**

Each Good News Club team member received a gift of a gold key that represents the importance of them opening doors for GNC's. The key tag message says "A Servant's Heart" and that GNC volunteers - "You are key to reaching children". The Award's Breakfast Team, Karen Edwards, Mina Jenkins, Elizabeth Able, Joanna Owens, Min. Sandra Smith, Elaine Wilson Colbert, Dr. Gwen Chin, Shirley Brown (GBC Chairperson) and Marie Dunsen Dawson (Director) performed this task of coordinating the event with God leading their direction. Pastor Jim Hadley from the Greater Grace World Outreach shared the importance of this CEF Greater Baltimore ministry and its future. Thank God for those listening to God by donating, attending the Breakfast, and investing to expand our outreach to children in public elementary schools. Donations received at the Awards Breakfast totaled \$5,900. Prior to April 1, we received \$11,591. Our blessed intake is \$18,928 in donations. We thank everyone for the love you shared in prayers and contributing your gifts to be able to extend the opportunity for CEF Greater Baltimore to reach more children with the Gospel.



NEWSWORTHY NOTES

CORPORATE PRAYER NIGHT-3rd Tuesday monthly
6:30 - 7:30pm
Zoom Meeting ID:
861 0097 6333 | Passcode: 373405
By phone: 1-301-715-8592

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GREATER BALTIMORE CHURCH PARTNERSHIPS* AND SUPPORTING CHURCHES

- *Arlington Baptist Church
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- *Colonial Baptist Church
- Community Baptist Church of Walbrook
- *Cub Hill Presbyterian Church
- *Forge Road Bible Chapel
- *Genesis Bible Fellowship Church
- Glad Tiding Chapel

- Grace Bible Baptist Church
- *Greater Grace World Outreach
- *Huber Memorial Church
- Inverness Presbyterian Church
- *Kingsway Bible Baptist Church
- Loch Raven Presbyterian Church
- *Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
- *Mt. Pleasant Church & Ministries

- *New Antioch Baptist Church
- New Frontiers of Faith Baptist Church Inc.
- *New Tabernacle Baptist Church
- Rosedale Community EC Church
- *St. Timothy's Baptist Church
- The Gates Church
- Word of Life Chapel Int'l
- To God Be the Glory

...and a host of devoted donors

Thank you for reaching out and touching the lives of others with the love of the Lord

Congratulations to The Child Evangelism Fellowship of Greater Baltimore Chapter

Pastor Butch Acklin

CEF'S GREATEST OPPORTUNITY – LEADING CHILDREN TO CHRIST DURING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AGE

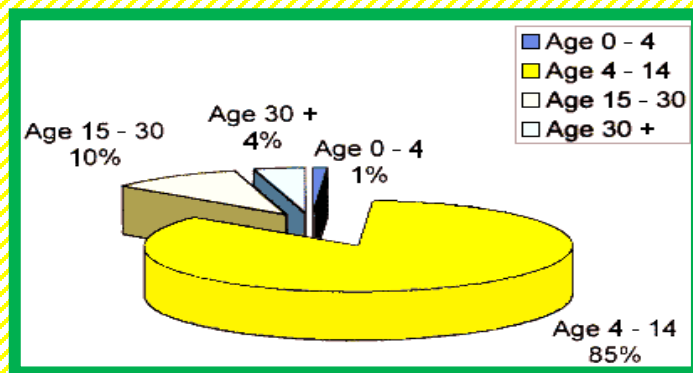


This lively Prince is a kindergartener. He can tell you about Jesus, and he understands salvation! Jeremiah is a member of the Good News Club at his elementary school. He enjoys sharing who Jesus is and how to follow him. What a prayer warrior for his family, peers, and others. Jeremiah lives in a loving, caring, and God-fearing home with his mom and dad. Daily, at home and the weekly Good News Club, he is reminded of the importance to see the parts of himself that reflect Father God, and to treat himself, and others as wonderful children of God. Jeremiah shared his admiration for the Good News Club at the Breakfast. This kindergartner is an example of teaching a child in the way you want them to grow!

Grace, is a lovely third grader Princess who shows her heart for the Lord. Grace accepted Jesus as her Savior at 5 years old! She always has her hand up in Good News Club (GNC) to answer questions, shares who she has told about Jesus, and to lead the club in prayer. Singing is a gift and passion of Grace. Not only does she sing but directs the children's choir giving them inspiration to sing their very best. She has shared her beautiful voice in the Good News Club and the children gave an appreciated round of applause! Taking notes in GNC gives her the opportunity to share them with her prayer partner. They repeat the scriptures, Bible lessons, and they discuss what she learned in GNC. They pray together every week. Grace loves Jesus and knows that being a sinner separates us from God. She daily wants God to see her at her best, showing love, and respect for others. Grace also shared with the breakfast attendees her love for Jesus and her understanding of the importance of being in a Good News Club and becoming a child of God.



FACT: George Barna of the Barna Research Group states, "The research is very clear: if Jesus is not already part of their lives by the time they leave junior high school, the chances of them accepting Him as their Lord and savior is very slim (6%, to be exact).



FACT: Nearly 85% of people who make a decision for Christ do so between the ages of 4 and 14. Many children begin a relationship with Jesus Christ during Vacation Bible School. CEF GBC has led 92 children to Christ this year in Good News Clubs. PRAISING JESUS!

CEF Greater Baltimore volunteers are seeing more than 500 children each week.. We need you to expand that number to bring Good News Clubs to more schools. Call us to discuss sharing 2 hours each week. You can choose the weeks you will be available to attend. If you cannot be in a GNC, perhaps you can be on a prayer team to pray for the needs of the Good News Club and the prayer request of the children. *Yes, you can.*



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I pledge to support () GBC () Dawson Missionary Account () Matching Gift

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8



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Gifts are received by online donations or making checks payable to CEF Greater Baltimore Chapter (GBC). Thank you for investing in eternal things!

GO ORIOLES!

Eighty-three (83) people bellowed booming cheers on a beautiful night for baseball. The CEF Greater Baltimore Chapter (GBC) arrived in church buses, Ubers, and family cars. Friends and family came together at Orioles Park for another fellowship! They shouted and applauded the Orioles to victory over the Oakland Athletics 12 to 8 on April 11th! Each time GBC comes to the stadium; the Orioles have won!

You can be a winner with GBC also by being a member of this great ministry for children. Are you already a member? Refer someone to give time by praying, financially supporting, planting Good News Clubs or helping in a Good News Club after school programs one day a week. Pick your weeks to participate, turn the Bible pages for the children, give out snacks and crafts; not everyone is a Bible teacher! Call us at 443-324-5384 or 410-944-6435 and be on the GBC winning team for Christ!

MATCHING GRANT AND MINISTRY COORDINATOR

We are still accepting donations for the \$30,000 Matching Grant. We have raised \$8,000 for the grant. **PLEASE HELP US REACH THIS GOAL!** The grant includes the opportunity to hire a Ministry Coordinator (Paid Position). We are accepting applications for Christians who have a heart for children to:

- ◆ Assist the Director
- ◆ Learn to share the CEF Mission
- ◆ Build and manage the After-School Good News Club (ASGNC) and Summer 5-Day Club programs
- ◆ Offer a variety of opportunities for churches and individuals to partner with CEF in reaching children for Christ.
- ◆ Actively support and promote fundraising activities
- ◆ Maintain statistical information for the Chapter and Facility Usage protocols
- ◆ Assist in expanding the ministry of the Greater Baltimore Maryland CEF Chapter (GBC), focused in Baltimore City and County.

CEF SERVANT’S HEART—60 YEARS OF SERVICE!



Edna Zuraw was presented flowers and gifts at the Award's Breakfast on April 1st. God bless you Edna for your 60 years of dedicated service to CEF! She served for 17 years as a local director for the Greater Baltimore area in Maryland, but in 1980, God called her to minister in St. Louis, MO and to teach at CEF’s Children’s Ministries Institute. As a member of CEF’s Department of Education, Edna traveled worldwide helping to launch the innovative Teaching Children Effectively® program. Her favorite position was Director of the Children’s Ministries Institute where she served for 12 years. Since 2011 Edna ministered in Maryland as a semi-retired volunteer. Her role as a Leadership Training Instructor provide her the opportunities to teach at CMI as requested, participate on the Greater Baltimore training team, teach Good News Club® and serve as a member of the Greater Baltimore Local Committee.

KEEP IT REAL FOR JESUS, EDNA!

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CHRISTIAN YOUTH IN ACTION - SUMMER MISSIONS



Contact us to have your youth ages 14 & Up to have a “A Servant’s Heart” experience sharing the Gospel this summer with little children! There are 2 scholarships available to be a Christian Youth in Action! Please call or email 410-944-6435 or 443- 324-5384 - email: cefbaltimore@gmail.com or scan this QR code to complete an application. See additional details below.



INTERN TRAINING SCHEDULE

PHASE 1: JUNE 10

This 1-day hands-on workshop is the kick-off to your 4-week work-study program.

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JUNE 26 - 30

5-day overnight training camp

Lodging at Camp Wo-Me-To in Harford Co.

THE BEST SUMMER OF YOUR LIFE AWAITS

If you are in middle or high school, have a heart for ministry and want to develop your leadership skills by reaching children in your community with the Gospel, then CYIA is for you!

To be a part of the Summer Ministry Leadership Program you need to have accepted Jesus as your Savior and belong to a Bible-believing church.

This Summer you can:

- Reach Boys and Girls with the Gospel
- Build new friendships that will last a lifetime
- Gain leadership skills for ministry in your own local church, school, or location

WHAT IS CYIA?

Christian Youth in Action is a short-term summer ministry internship program for young people from 14 to college age. Interns will learn how to effectively teach children about God and present the Gospel using methods and curriculum developed by CEF. After receiving training, interns return to their local communities and team up with other students to teach 5-Day Clubs (Summer Good News Clubs). The program trains youth to be leaders in their churches and communities.

PHASE 2: JULY 3 - JULY 7

This 4-day training is conducted at CEF Headquarters (2203 N. Rolling Rd, Windsor Mill, MD 21244) where interns will gain in-depth knowledge to share the Gospel.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

July 3 - 7 you will be assigned to a team of two or more interns in your local area. Each morning your team will practice the 5-Day Clubs lesson. This includes, songs, games, missionary stories, Bible lessons and memory verses that you will learn during training. In the afternoon, you'll travel with your team to teach under staff supervision. This will help you gain confidence in your teaching and interaction with the children. You will lead your own clubs for 4 weeks from July 10 - August 4, Monday - Friday, accompanied by CEF staff and you will be impacting the lives of hundreds of children with the Gospel!

WHAT'S THE COST?

The \$525 cost per youth for 5-days includes specialized training, meals, materials, 5 colorful T-shirts, and lodging at Camp Wo-Me-To in Harford County. Camp dates will be June 26-30, 2023. Your church or local CEF Chapter may be able to provide financial assistance.

PHASE 3: JULY 10 - AUGUST 4 ON MISSION

In your local area you will be sharing your faith with children in 5-day Clubs and VBS programs. 5-Day Clubs take place in parks, daycares, apartment complexes, community centers, churches and anywhere children can gather. Here is where you'll put your leadership skills to the test.

WHAT'S THE FIRST STEPS?

Prayer is most important! Ask God for His wisdom and guidance about the major decision. This is a major commitment to God and to the summer ministry leadership program (CYIA). Joshua 3:5- Then Joshua said to the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.”

WHAT ORGANIZATION IS IN CHARGE OF THE PROGRAM?

Child Evangelism Fellowship® is the world's largest children's ministry, reaching over 25 million children around the world last year with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.





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