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From the desk of

Dear Friends & supporters,

As this Thanksgiving season quickly approaches I have spent the last two months of my time on the phone personally thanking our donors. I am in the process of trying to contact all the churches in our state. It has been a rewarding and encouraging experience. I haven't always been able to get ahold of many of you, but I have taken the time to lift you up in prayer. As the state director, I count it a blessing to be on the receiving end of your generosity. I certainly know that God deserves all the credit for this ministry.

However, I do know that there are many local directors, ministry coordinators, volunteers, teen missionaries, and 5-Day Club® hosts that are deserving of our accolades. God has used them in awesome ways this past year. It has been my privilege to witness the smiles on these faces when they are able to see children come to the understanding of the message of salvation as they commit their lives over to Jesus.

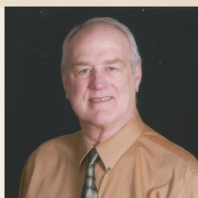
This is what we are all about, and I tell people that of all the different jobs I have had in my life, this is my absolute favorite. There is no greater call in life than go and tell the world about the free gift of eternal life that comes through Jesus.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for making this ministry possible through your prayers, financial gifts, and volunteering. You are a vital part of spreading the Gospel message to the children. God will truly say to you some day "Well done thy good and faithful servant."

In His service,

Greg Buche,

State Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship



November is Anniversary Month

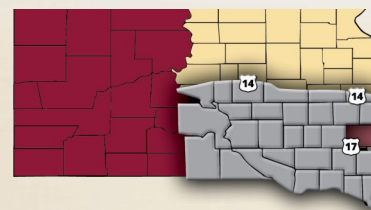
By Glenda Palmquist, Ministry Coordinator

Each November I think back to my first day of working at CEF®. That was 21 years ago. I will be starting my 22nd year this November. It is hard to believe that it has been that long. I have seen many teens trained, many children taught, and many lives changed through God because of the decision to work in this organization. God has used CEF to change my life, I am not the same person I was when I first started. I had much learning to do and still do to become a better teacher and worker. I am so glad God gave me the chance. CEF is looking for volunteers to host clubs in the summer, teach Good News Clubs, and volunteer at the State Fair. God can use you to change the lives of teens and children, and He will change you too as you partner together to share the Gospel. Thank you for your prayers and support over the past 21 years. God willing I will be able to work many more.



The Candlelight

Reaching the children of the Lewis and Clark Area



Making an Impact for Christ By Kennon Hofer

Let us look back on what God has done through the ministry of CEF® in the Lewis and Clark Area. The month of June brought another year of teaching at the Christian Youth in Action® (CYIA™) training. There were 39 teens who attended the training, which helps to equip teens to minister to children through the 5-Day Clubs.

The summer ministry was packed full of twenty-three 5-Day Clubs held in the Lewis & Clark Area. A total of 310 children attended the clubs and heard the Gospel of Christ, with six children trusting Christ as their personal Savior. The 5-Day Clubs covered a widespread area of the Lewis and Clark Area. The clubs were held in Huron, Tulare, Howard, Salem, Platte, Parker, Madison, Mt. Vernon, Menno, Mitchell, Marion, Parkston, Madison, Ramona, and Yankton.

There were 557 children who were reached at the Turner County Fair and 154 at the Jamboree Days in Madison.

The month of October brings the start of the Good News Clubs. Right now, we have clubs in Huron, Freeman, and two clubs in Pierre. The clubs in Bridgewater/Emery will start in November.

Just think, over 1,500 children were reached in 2025 with the Gospel in the Lewis and Clark area. Now, the Lewis and Clark chapter is now closing in on our “End of the Year” financial goal. We have \$20,000 left to raise by the end of 2025. If you wish to give financially to the Lewis & Clark Area, please make out your checks to CEF and write in the check’s memo line, Lewis and Clark Area.

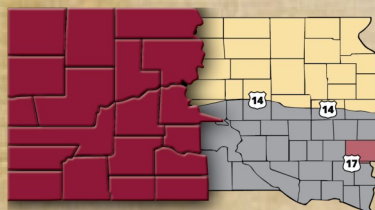


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Reaching the children of the Black Hills Area

New Opportunities to Share Christ By Janet Keegan

A new Good News Club® has officially started up at the Hot Springs Elementary School! With support from the School District Superintendent and the Elementary School Principal, the club started in mid-September and has 20 students registered. Three clubs have started in the Rapid City Area schools and two more will be starting soon.

We were able to participate in our first community event of the fall, having a booth at the Sturgis Fall Festival. We had 64 children visit the booth and have their faces painted. All but one heard the Gospel message. On November 1, Hot Springs volunteers will be sharing the Gospel with children at the annual Christmas Bazaar.

On November 8 we will be hosting a Vision Dinner. We will be sharing our vision for the chapter with potential new partners as well as current partners. If you would like more information, please contact Janet.



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Reaching the children of the Great Plains Area

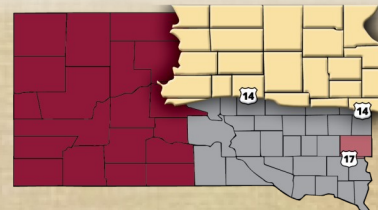
Fall Brings New Opportunities By Sakura Eggena

Fall is the perfect time for after-school programs, and in the CEF® world, that means gearing up for another exciting season of Good News Clubs in our local schools and churches. These clubs are a wonderful way to bring the Gospel to children right where they are—in a fun, engaging, and meaningful way.

In past years, I've faced a few challenges getting new clubs off the ground, but this year I'm thrilled to announce the launch of a brand new *Good News Club*®! Eureka Baptist Church will be hosting an at-home club, led by the pastor and his wife. Their genuine passion for reaching the children in their community is such a joy to witness, and their excitement is contagious.

We're looking forward to seeing how God uses this club to impact young hearts and families in the area. Please join us in praying for the leaders, the children who will attend, and all the seeds of truth that will be planted this season.

Please pray for the kids who will attend the new *Good News Club*. And praise God for all the teens who attended our fall Bible study and bonfire!



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Sioux Falls Area

Reaching the children of the Sioux Falls Area

The Harvest is Ready! Ready, Pray, Go! By Amanda Barton

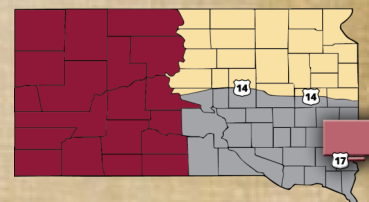
Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." We're seeing it! Every day, children in our communities are being shaped by countless voices and influences—many that distort truth and birth confusion, anxiety and distraction from God's design. They need to hear messages grounded in a worldview that points them to their Creator who is sovereign over all and loves His creation deeply.

"Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37–38). That is the cry of our hearts this season—and our chapter prayer calls on the first and third Thursdays each month are doing just that! (Call 605.376.9620 to join in!)

Through our clubs, we are equipping children to know the truth and to share it confidently with their peers. Our Good News Clubs are starting off strong as powerful peer-mentoring spaces where students are encouraged in the faith and building others up in understanding, compassion and truth that comes from God.

In the spirit of Deut. 16:13-15, we pray and give thanks to God for seed that is taking root. We invite you to pray for laborers—volunteers and financial partners—to steward the fruit serving our clubs. The harvest is ready. The power is prayer! The provision is His people!

We praise God for a \$15,000 Matching Grant Challenge from Kingdom Capital Funds! Every gift given through December 2 will be doubled! Help us meet our match @cefsd.org/donate or by check to CEF SFA, PO Box 627, Huron, SD 57350.



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24-25 *Statistics*

This year we had a successful year in reaching the children across the state. The following are the totals for all ministries including Good News Clubs, 5-Day Clubs, Camp Good News, and fair ministry. Thank you for your prayers and support.


5,195 children Gospel presentations
173 Salvations
112 Ministry Outreaches

Prayers:

- For the expansion of our ministry into new areas with church partnerships
- For Sioux Falls Area open staff positions and Good News Club volunteers and training
- For the Good News Clubs starting his fall
- For Sioux Falls Area Leadership Retreat and JYC opportunities

Praises:

- For the new *GNC*® at Hot Springs Elementary School
- For the Black Hills Vision Dinner and hosts for Christmas Party Clubs
- For the many years of serving God in *CEF*
- For all the children attending Good News Clubs this fall

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