



# The Children's Chronicle

## News from Child Evangelism Fellowship® of WV Inc. Greater Huntington Chapter

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## Celebrating 55 Years of God's Faithfulness

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Greater Huntington was officially chartered on November 18th, 1968. So, this November 18th, we are thanking God for His 55 years of faithfulness to the ministry of the Gospel to the children in the Huntington Tri-State area.

Over the course of those 55 years tens of thousands of children have heard the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, with numerous children receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior! We give Praise to Him!

We also give thanks for the countless number of Church partners, volunteers, financial supporters, prayer warriors, Committee Members,

and Staff that have played roles in seeing this ministry continue to grow and expand! But, with that said, we are still no where close to reaching every child in our Chapter with the precious Gospel message! So, we continue to "...beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers..." so that more children can have the opportunity to know Christ.

We need additional Church partners, volunteers, prayer warriors, Committee Members, and Staff. Is that you?

To continue to expand and grow we also, obviously, need more financial support. To celebrate our 55th Anniversary would you consider

making a special financial gift at one of the following levels?

- **Celebrating Friend-** \$5.50
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- **Future Defender-** \$5,500.00
- **Heritage Visionary-** \$55,000.00

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## CEF® World Day of Prayer

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023 was set aside as the Child Evangelism Fellowship *World Day of Prayer*. On this day, the workers of CEF around the entire world stopped the daily operations of the ministry.

You may be saying to yourself, "Oh, the worker's of CEF got a vacation day." Nope. "Then, what do they do all day long?" Pray. That's right, all around the world, CEF workers were fasting and praying for the ministry.

Last year the ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship reached over 19.6 million children with the

gospel of Jesus Christ. However, there are millions more who need to be reached, and we're praying for the world.

The goal of our organization is to have established ministry in every country in the world. This is CEF's 86th Anniversary, and our goal continues to be "Around the World." Prayer is key in helping us to reach this goal.

Throughout the month of November, would you be willing to take some extra time out of your day to pray for the ministry of CEF?

Simply pray for each of the CEF missionaries worldwide. Pray for the children being reached around the world, for the CEF leadership at every level, and for the mission to be in every country around the world by the end of this year.

We would truly appreciate your prayers for our Chapter, the State, the USA, and the World!



## Prayer and Praise

**Pray** that the Lord raises up new Local Committee Members!

**Praise** the Lord the Prichard, Village of Barboursville, Altizer, and Davis Creek GNC's re-started for the first time since March 2020!

**Pray** that the Lord continues to bless the Greater Huntington Chapter financially!

**Praise** the Lord for the 6,383 children that heard the Gospel and for the 257 first time salvation decisions made last ministry year!

**Pray** that the Lord will open the doors of new GNC's to begin this school year!

**Praise** the Lord for several new contacts that have been made in Lincoln County!

# Don't Neglect Asking Our Father for Help

The following is a sermon illustration that I recently used...

"One day a father decided to take his son to play at the local park. The boy quickly gravitated to the sandbox and found himself mesmerized by the colors and textures surrounding him. After a short time, he began digging around to see what treasures might reveal themselves to him.

As his hands plunged under the sand, he discovered something rather large, and having pushed enough of the sand away, realized it was a large rock. Instantly he knew he needed to move that rock, no matter how big it was. This rock was the obstacle to his dreams of a sandbox clear of all extraneous matter.

So the boy tried as hard as he could to move the rock. He pushed and pushed and pushed, and finally he was able to get it to the edge of the sandbox. But the next step would be the hardest. How could he get it over the edge? Again, the boy pushed and pushed until his energy was completely fried. The rock's "stuckness" matched the boy's feelings of the

situation. Eventually he started to sob.

The boy's father watched all this, and just when the meltdown began, the father went over to his son and began to comfort his overtaxed, dejected son.

"Why didn't you use all the strength available to you to move the rock?" the father asked.

The boy was confused, "I did daddy, it's just too heavy."

"No son, you didn't. You didn't ask me to help." And at that, the father lifted the rock with a single hand and tossed it out of the sandbox."

Sadly, isn't that how we are with God so much of the time? We have all of His unlimited power at our disposal to overcome whatever life brings us, yet we neglect to turn to Him, ask Him, and rely on Him for help.

God gives us two offensive weapons against the enemy, the Sword of the Spirit and prayer. I believe, that for most Christ followers,

we do not use our weapon of prayer nearly as much as we should. We have excuse after excuse on why we don't make an intentional commitment to spend more time before God's Throne of Grace. We can actually call on the Almighty Ruler of the whole universe. We can come before Him with anything that is on our hearts—and He will hear and answer us! Could we ask for anything more?

To God Be the Glory!

*Nathan and Erin Sayre*

## Ministry Schedule

December: Christmas Party Clubs

Dec. 3rd: Hamlin PreK-8 GNC Promo

Dec. 16th: Chesapeake Middle JYC Training

Dec. 19th: Local Committee Christmas Dinner

Jan. 5th-7th: Local Committee Retreat

Jan. 25th: FaithHealth Appalachia Conference

Jan. 27th: Guyan Valley Middle JYC Training

February: Valentine's Day Party Clubs

# Annual Ministry Report

CEF's ministry calendar runs from September 1st-August 31st, so that Good News Club ministries and all of summer ministries can be viewed on one report. It is always very exciting for us to finish up the report for the month of August so that we can see how the Lord has blessed the ministry the previous year. We thought we would take the time to share with you, our ministry partners, what God did in the ministry year of September 2022-August 2023 in the Greater Huntington Chapter.

There were:

- **83 total ministries conducted**
- **6353 total children reached with the Gospel**
- **257 total 1st time salvation decisions made**
- **And 40 unchurched children were established in local Bible believing churches**

Praise the Lord for these types of results! Because you have invested

your time, prayers, and finances into this ministry, these Kingdom results could take place. Eternity has been impacted through you!

We cannot even begin to thank you enough. Words are not adequate enough, but that's all we have to give. You allow this ministry to move forward, and we are so grateful. Please continue to pray for us as we now move into the next ministry year. Our prayer is that we will see even greater results by this time next year!

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