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"Only one life, 'twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last." Charles Studd

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Walking to Win Kids for Christ

The weather promises to be cooler on **Saturday, October 15th** at Ridley Creek State Park for our annual Walk-a-Thon as we walk to raise funds needed to purchase Bibles, lesson materials, devotional books, postage, game supplies, and provide the resources needed for volunteer and teacher training, plus so much more! Once again, this will be our primary fundraising event of the year and we NEED YOU to register to walk or sponsor a walker!

Make it a fun event by gathering a group of friends, family or church members to walk together and raise funds as a team! Visit the cefdelco.com homepage and click on the Walk-a-Thon button at the top for details.



The walk is approximately 2-3 miles on a paved path starting from pavilion #17 at **9am** (rain or shine). It is a morning of fun, fellowship and great exercise for a vital cause! If you'd like to walk but are unable to join us on the 15th, feel free to raise funds and walk anytime during the week of October 9-15.



If you are not able to join us as a walker, we encourage you to visit our Walk page to sponsor a walker. Every friend of *CEF®* can be involved by either walking or supporting a walker! Together, we can reach our goal of \$25,000 which will all go towards making an eternal impact in the lives of children throughout Delaware County. We need your help because so many children still need the hope only Jesus provides. For more information, if you have questions about the Walk, or would like to receive a paper form for gathering sponsor donations, contact the *CEF* office at 610-449-9564 or email us at cefofdelawarecounty@gmail.com.

Will you join our team? You can walk, run, push a stroller, pull a wagon, ride a bike, roller blade or bike! Gather your family and friends and join us as we walk to win kids for Christ! Whatever fruit is harvested through the ministry of *CEF* belongs to you as well as you partner with us for our Walk-a-Thon.

Good News Clubs Starting!



It's that time of year again...school buses are rolling, stores are having "Back to School" sales, and the first day of school is upon many. It also means Good News Clubs are getting organized and will be starting in October!

School doors are opening and we are able to return to the schools for clubs. We are also praising God for many local churches who will be

hosting our Community Good News Clubs this fall. Clubs will be held around the county at many of our supporting churches enabling us to reach children with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Fall clubs have already been planned in Media, Folcroft, Brookhaven, Sharon Hill and Havertown.

We will be launching our *GNC*® season with a Pumpkin Run party club and then spend the fall sharing lessons about people such as Elijah and Elisha, David and the Apostles in the early church. This is a busy and exciting time of year, and we are confident that God will continue to accomplish His Kingdom work!







Director's Column



Some of the last words of Jesus are recorded in Mark 16:15 when He said "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation..." Your world begins in your own home and like concentric circles, moves into your neighborhood, workplace and beyond. Not all are called to serve as missionaries, but ALL are called to be a witness.

As adults, we can find it difficult to share our faith as often we're not sure what to say but more often it's the fear of being rejected or ridiculed. But children are much more open to sharing the gospel with their family and friends. Recently I received a message from the mother of a 6 year old girl who has been attending our Good News Clubs and summer programs. "I wanted you to know that Anna (name changed) shared Completely unprovoked. It was the sweetest thing I've ever heard!" Despite there not being a positive response from the cousin (who lives with them), a seed was planted and this little girl is living out what she is learning in Good News Club® – to tell others about Jesus!

Discipling children as they grow in their faith and teaching them how to share that faith is a big part of what we do. Boys and girls reaching their peers for Jesus will make an eternal impact in the next generation and for many generations to come. May we be as bold as Anna, sharing our faith in each of our worlds until Jesus returns.



Good News Club Volunteer Spotlight

Joe and Cherie DeAngelis - volunteers in various Media/Brookhaven clubs



drew you to serve with CEF?

As Joe: a retired elementary public school teacher, I enjoy working with kids. I've enjoyed seeing kids come to know the Lord through Sunday School and Bible camps. For several years, I invited Sandy to lead a CEF club in

the after school program at our church, never thinking I would be a part of it in the future! My wife was very instrumental in encouraging me to join her CEF club staff, and I was glad to have an opportunity to once again be involved with teaching kids spiritual truths that can change their lives.

Cherie: As the daughter of missionaries, evangelism is what makes me tick! I used to teach young children in school, but decided to leave that field and pour my energies into just teaching spiritual truth and the way of salvation. CEF clubs were the perfect opportunity for this. The clubs involved games, music, good Biblical curriculum - and I wanted to be a part of them!

What has been the greatest impact on you as you've served with CEF?

Joe: I am impressed with the way the curriculum is taught in such a creative way, especially the verses. The use of active, repetitive games and lively songs make memorization fun for all. I appreciate the fact that the verses and major themes are integrated throughout the program and it is so satisfying to me to see their faces brighten when they have finally memorized the verse of the day.

Why did you start or what Cherie: It has been so rewarding to lead clubs with people who have the same vision and heart as I do for evangelism. A desire to see kids saved and discipled is what drives us all. It is special to share that commonality with the other CEF volunteers and staff.

What could you say to encourage others to join the CEF volunteer team?

Joe: You have the opportunity to influence kids to learn spiritual truth now, but also to lead a child in God's ways so that you can multiply your life as they become spiritual leaders in their workplace and in their homes in the future. No matter what your abilities are, trust God to bring out what He needs you to offer.

Cherie: When leading a child to Christ, D.L. Moody referred to the child as having a whole candle to burn as opposed to an adult who only had half a candle left. By teaching or helping in a CEF club, you will be making a valuable investment of your time and will have plenty of opportunities to be faithful in "planting seeds". Most of all, the joy in being part of a team that sees a child accept the Lord is a joy that surpasses all other joys.

Any other thoughts or comments you'd like to contribute?

Cherie: Even if you feel you don't have gifts to contribute to a CEF club, if you are friendly and enjoy chatting with kids, that is a HUGE asset! There is a snack and chat part of the program, and we need people who love kids and love to chat with them. Maybe you enjoy giving - the clubs can use prizes and snack donations! Maybe you enjoy keeping records - you could take attendance and mark off when a child has recited a verse. It takes all of us to make a club work and nothing you have to offer is too small.

We are so thankful for our faithful volunteers like Joe and Cherie, but we still have a great need - YOU!

We are in need of many more volunteers to help in our clubs. Help is needed to teach Bible lessons, take attendance, greet the children, play games, serve snacks, and help our children be good listeners during club. If you have an hour a week to spend with children eager to learn about the Lord, we have a place for you!

Contact the CEF office at 610-449-9564 for more information or to volunteer and to register for an upcoming Good News Club, visit **cefdelco.com** and click on the Good News Club button.

Lives Changed This Summer



Summer was filled with life changing Bible lessons, Scripture memorization, songs, and active games. Relationships were built with more than 680 children through 24 VBS programs and 5 Day Clubs since the end of June. Our team of 12 summer missionaries, along with the CEF staff, invested time and energy sharing the gospel with children and discipling them to grow in their faith. As a result, there were at least 28 known professions of faith and many more seeds planted. Praise God for what He is doing!

Give the Gift that Keeps Giving



Summer has just ended and the frost hasn't covered the pumpkins yet, but it's not too early to be planning to host a CEF Christmas Party Club at your home or church. A party club is a 90 minute event filled with holiday songs, Scripture memorization, active games, and the true story of Christmas shared with the children in your neighborhood.

We provide the invitations and a trained team to conduct the club. You provide a snack and some even do a simple holiday craft (just an option).

Christmas is more than gifts, lights, candy canes and trees yet so many children have never heard the greatest story ever told. You or your church can be a light shining in the darkness this Christmas! Dates are still available but will fill up quickly. Contact the CEF office (610-449-9564) today to schedule your Christmas party club—and give the gift that keeps on giving!

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Our Mission:

To evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, to disciple children in the Word of God, and to establish them in a Bible believing church for Christian living.



