

# FRONTLINE

DELAWARE COUNTY CHAPTER OF  
CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP OF PA, INC.



## Summer Ministry Heats Up!

This summer, God has raised up a team of 12 *Christian Youth in Action*® (CYIA™) to reach boys and girls with the gospel through 5-Day Clubs in Delaware County. From June 18th to 24th, Camp Harmony in Hooversville, PA was the location for summer missionaries from around the state to be trained to conduct 5-Day Clubs this summer.

They attended intensive and interactive classes on effective methods of reaching children through Bible lessons, missionary stories, songs, memory verses, and much more. Time was also given to study halls where the CYIA studied their materials in preparation for teaching Bible clubs the rest of the summer. They also developed relationships with others from around the state creating a bond of encouragement and prayer for one another.



Student orientation for the summer missionaries

One of the most exciting times at training school was the open air event where all the summer missionaries had the opportunity to share the Wordless Book with 104 children attending the day camp at Camp Harmony.



Andrew Benfer sharing the gospel at Open Air

At least 34 children made first time professions of faith and many more seeds were planted! The time of testimony after open air gave glory to God for the courage He provided to the CYIA and the lives changed.



The students get to see demo 5-Day Clubs throughout week



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*"But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."  
John 1:12*

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Since returning home, summer ministry has been launched with 5-Day Clubs starting the last week of June and will continue through mid-August. Our summer missionaries will be sharing their love of Jesus with children in 5-Day Clubs and VBS programs in the coming months and we would greatly appreciate YOUR prayers!

- For the hearts of the children to be soft soil, receptive to the gospel
- For safety for the summer team as they travel throughout the county
- For energy and enthusiasm during the long, hot days of summer
- For times of refreshment and rest for the staff



## Director's Column



As the school year has come to a close and the Good News Clubs have ended, ministry has shifted to summer and the hundreds of children who will be attending the 5-Day Clubs and VBS programs in the coming months. It would be easy to get lost in the busyness of each day or even in the activities of each program if we turned our focus from why we do what we do.

Psalm 78:4 says "We will not hide them from their children, telling to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and His strength and His wonderful works that He has done". We reach the children because we are commanded to do so. Our children will define the future, which makes them our most significant and enduring legacy yet it is easy for adults to overlook the spiritual needs of children. It is important for children to know how they stand with God and it is essential that correct concepts of God be nourished early.

Every choice we make is ultimately a spiritual decision. No matter what the issue or challenge we face, our decision comes down to what we believe is right or wrong. As children mature, they are faced with questions and choices. It is vital they are equipped with a solid foundation based on truths found in God's Word upon which to base their decisions and choices.

Why do we do what we do? Because God has called us to teach the next generation to love, obey and serve Him with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength so that they in turn, will teach the generations to come...that is our primary focus.

*Brenda Smith*

# *Equipping Kids to Grow in Their Faith*

The purpose of CEF® is to evangelize boys and girls with the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to establish (disciple) them in the Word of God and in the local church for Christian living.

Here in Delaware County, we are passionate about establishing children in the Word of God! We do this by giving Bibles to children who don't have one of their own and through our FREE devotional program. CEF has created age-appropriate devotional materials that encourage boys and girls to dig deep into God's Word. Children can sign up to receive these devotional books that will help them learn more about God and grow in their faith. Currently, we have over 100 children enrolled in the program with more signing up each month!



To sign up for our free devotional program, visit [cefdelco.com](http://cefdelco.com) and click on the *Ministries* tab and then *Devotional Program*.

## *Walking to Win Kids for Christ*

The air promises to be cooler and it will be a day filled with family fun at Ridley Creek State Park for our 4th annual Walk-a-Thon on Saturday, October 15th from 9 am-1 pm. We are calling on everyone to join us in raising the finances needed to support the ministry of CEF. There are still many boys and girls who have not heard about the love of Jesus and we need YOU to help us raise the funds to enable us to continue spreading the gospel. A goal has been set of \$25,000 which will allow us to purchase Bibles, devotional books, lesson curriculum, postage expenses, audio/video equipment and many other necessary items for the general operation of the ministry.

The walk will be our biggest fundraiser this year and we are asking YOU to participate by walking for a sponsor or sponsoring a walker. Individuals can walk as single walkers or put together a team (families, church teams, businesses, etc.) to raise money. You or your team can register for the walk in one of two ways: 1) Visit our website at [cefdelco.com](http://cefdelco.com) and follow the Walk-a-Thon link (**link available in September**) which will take you to the walk website or 2) contact the CEF office to register as a walker/team and a sponsor donation sheet will be sent to you. All donations collected in cash or check can be brought to the walk on October 15th or sent to the CEF office.

Free t-shirts will be given to all walkers raising at least \$150. Get your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors involved and put a team together or walk on your own. Help us reach our goal of \$25,000! **Mark your calendar now and join us on October 15th!** When you partner with us, you are helping change the lives of children for eternity. *Will YOU help us make this difference in the lives of boys and girls in Delaware County?*



## DON'T WANT THE CEF FUN TO END?

*Check out CEF right at your fingertips!*

Watch dynamic Bible lessons, catchy song videos, exciting missionary stories, and more at CEF Unite! Create a free account for you and your family today.

<https://unite.cefonline.com/>  
<https://www.youtube.com//UNiteKids>

Stay up to date with upcoming Good News Clubs, fundraising events, summer programs, and more on our website and social media.



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## *It's Not Too Late to Invest in the Future*



For the last few months, we have been raising funds for our CYIA summer missionaries. Time is running out and we still need to raise \$1,950 to reach our goal of \$5,000. All funds raised through this campaign provide support for our summer team from materials to scholarships to reimbursements.

*"If children are our future, then there is no greater way to invest in the future than investing in our children."*

Will you invest in the future by investing in our present?

Visit [cefdelco.com](http://cefdelco.com) and click on the CYIA button to make a donation today.

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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.*

