

CEF of Central Florida Newsletter

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The Central Florida Fair is celebrating its 108th year and CEF of Central Florida is celebrating 50+ years of participating in the CEF of Central Florida Fair Ministry. Each year we are privileged to provide the Wordless Book Face-Painting Ministry using our Good News Clubhouse trailer to share the Gospel with hundreds of children, as well as the adults who bring them.

This ministry comes at a financial cost of \$2,000. We are committed to continuing the long-standing tradition of this ministry because of the seed planted and the fruit that is harvested. **Last year the Good News of the Gospel was shared with 1,328 children and 295 teens/adults, of which 56 prayed to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior.** Praise the Lord!

Because of the high cost of this ministry we need to ask each of you to pray and ask God to provide through His people for the contracted fee. We have already stepped out on faith and provided a \$500 down payment

to the Fair management. Please consider standing with us to help pay this fee.

Donations can be made online at www.cefofcentralfl.com or mailed to 113 Candace Drive, Office #7, Maitland, FL 32751. Please place in the memo: 2020 Fair Donation.

We also have a need for volunteers to do the gospel face painting . Please schedule a time slot with our Fair Coordinator,

Sharon Decker. She will be able to provide more information or for scheduling the 4-hour shifts that need to be filled from February 27th – March 8th . Shift times for Monday through Friday are: 4-7 pm and 7-10 pm, Saturday and Sunday are: 12 noon – 3 pm, 3pm – 7pm, and 7pm- 10pm.

CEF Fair Coordinator Contact:
Sharon Decker at 321-287-3505 or firstlight812@cfl.rr.com

Thank you for standing beside this fruitful ministry in prayer, volunteering and financial support.

Meet our Chapter Ministry Coordinator

April Stapp attended a Good News Club as a child in Orlando, Florida. She knows firsthand how powerful the Gospel and Scriptures taught in the clubs are to bring an unchurched child to Christ. The lady who had the Good News Club April attended never knew that not only did she receive Christ later on, but that as a young wife and mother, God led her to have GNCs and 5-Day clubs in her home. April continued to have these clubs and served on CEF committees in California and Colorado. She returned to Florida, and was a volunteer in Volusia County, having Good News Clubs in the Juvenile Detention Center, public schools, and MOPS program. When her family moved to Jacksonville, Florida, she joined the state CEF staff and served for 9 years, promoting the ministry of CEF, and conducting Good News Clubs in the Police Athletic Leagues. She rejoiced to see the first after-school GNC, in the Duval County Public Schools, with 179 children enrolled. She resides in Mt. Dora, Florida, and is on staff with the Central Florida Chapter of CEF, serving as GNC Ministry Coordinator for Orange and Seminole County.



Bring1 Retreat 2nd Annual Event

Written by Jacqualine Hurley
CEF of Central Florida CYIA Coordinator

At CYIA's 2nd annual Bring1 Retreat, 76 teenagers joined together to have fun and dig deep into God's Word. The Lord challenged all of us as we discussed what it means that God's Word is inspired and the truths about the atonement and resurrection of Jesus. One thing that God did at this retreat was open up opportunities of communication for students to talk together about these foundational truths and also

share in the struggles they are facing. After all the fun games, chapel times, small groups, and everything else that happened at this retreat, the real highlight was our ending worship night. As we worshipped, the students were challenged to respond to what the Lord was doing in them this weekend by talking with a staff person or coming forward and praying at the altar. It was amazing to see these



middle and high school students pray to the Lord and respond to everything that was going on in their minds and hearts. That evening several students pulled staff members aside to talk about everything that had been happening. Please keep these students in prayer as they return home and to school. Pray that what the Lord worked in them will last and they will be diligent in continuing to study God's Word.

CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER 2020 Vision Verse

2 Chronicles 34:2

"And he did that which was right in the **sight** of the Lord, and walked in the ways of David his father, and declined neither to the right hand, nor to the left."

Ministry Prayer Needs

"Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work." ~Oswald Chambers

Please consider lifting our local chapter up in prayer on a regular basis. Satan is against any momentum for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Which tells me we are making a difference here in Central Florida. Everyday of the week we feel the punches from Satan as we attempt to gain new ground for the Kingdom of God! Here are some specific needs to take to the throne of God on our behalf:

- Five Local Committee Members
- Administrative tasks to be accomplished in less time
- Health of our staff (April, Jacqualine and Brenda)
- GNC promotion in public schools (often we hit roadblocks in handing out our permission slips)
- New Local Church Partnerships
- Local Church Partnerships for existing GNCs
- Fair Ministry Support of \$2,000
- Volunteers to staff the Fair Face Painting Booth (Contact: Jeff & Sharon Decker at 321-287-3505 or firstlight812@cfl.rr.com to sign up or for more information)
- CYIA Support for our teens
- Local Chapter Support for Staff and Office expenses
- Volunteer Training

PRAISE Report:

- God provided a new office rental space in Maitland
- Children's Ministry Training Conference SUCCESS!

Upcoming Events

- Feb 29th, March 7th, 14th, & 28th TCE 1 Training
- April 4th – GNC Team Leader & Admin Coordinator Thank you & Input
- April 24th TBA Fundraiser Night
- May 4th – 9th CEF International Conference
- May 16th & 23rd – CYIA 1 Day Team Training
- June 7th – 13th CYIA Camp Week #1
- June 14th – 20th CYIA Camp Week #2
- 2nd Tuesday of EVERY Month Prayer Hour from 10am-11am (ALL are invited to join us at the local office)



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