

# Good News Connection

Child Evangelism Fellowship® of Central Florida

## Shining the Light

Written by Brenda Whitwam

We have opened the doors to 2021 and are ready to share the Light of the World with Central Florida. The Bible says, "Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law: And that their children, which have not known any thing, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live..." (Deuteronomy 31:12-13 KJV).

During the month of December, we did just that. We shared the Gospel through Christmas Party Clubs with 129 children, of which 12 made professions of faith and 1 followed Christ in believers' baptism. How exciting it is to share the Gospel Light with the children and their families!

These are just a few of our 2021 highlights of the year to come:

- Our Good News Clubs are starting back up this month on Zoom.
- We are gearing up for Easter Party Clubs this spring
- Children's Ministry Conference
- Fair Ministry



- Training for youth to reach children this summer through 5 Day Clubs is already being planned.
- New volunteer training for Good News Clubs starting in August is right around the corner.

So, let me ask you, are your doors opened for ministry in 2021? Do you desire to share the message of hope with the children who have not heard about God's love? Do you desire to partner with us through prayer for the 2 million + children who live in Central Florida? Do you need training, tools, or a team to volunteer with? If you have answered yes to any of these questions, we would love to hear from you. Together we can all fulfill our role to shine the light!

## Please Pray

1. Ask God to open doors to children in Central Florida who have never heard about Jesus.
2. Ask God for strong leadership on our local committee.
3. Ask God to raise an army of children volunteers to reach the 2 million children living in Central Florida.
4. Ask God to open up afterschool clubs on public school campuses in August.

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- ◆ 2/6 Children's Ministry Conference
- ◆ 2/19 CYIA™ Bring One Event
- ◆ 2/26 Fair Ministry Training
- ◆ 3/4—3/14 Central Florida Fair Ministry

# Welcome to the Team!

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Our Central Florida Team would like to welcome Scott Long to the local committee. Scott trusted Christ as his Savior at 12 years of age. He is also, no stranger to *Child Evangelism Fellowship*®. After trusting Christ, he began to serve as a bus captain and missionary helper at a *Good News Club*®. By 15 years of age, he attended *Christian Youth in Action*® training camp which prepared him to lead Good News Clubs. The foundation which was laid through his parents and *Good News Club* grew his desire to serve in Children's Ministry. He later attended Pensacola Christian College and upon

graduation entered full time ministry.

Scott has served as a missionary to the Apache Indians, Associate Pastor, and Children's Pastor for over 25 years. He currently serves as the Children's Director at First Baptist Church of Longwood. Also, he has authored a children's devotional book called "Life Lessons without the Fleas".

Two scripture verses that have been especially meaningful to Scott include:

*"And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at*

*Jesus Christ.*" (Philippians 1:6 ESV)

*"I can do all things through him who strengthens me."* (Philippians 4:13 ESV)

Besides being grateful to God for allowing him to work with children. Scott is thankful for his wife Amy of 19 years and their two children Andrew and Stephanie.



Scott, Stephanie and Amy Long



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

## JOIN US!

We meet together **EVERY** Month on the 2nd Tuesday from 10-11 am to pray for the children of Central Florida. Please call our office for more details.

**HEY! WHAT IF I TOLD YOU THAT YOU COULD BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS IN YOUR COMMUNITY THIS SUMMER?**

**WOULD YOU DO IT?**

**WOULD YOU GO?**

Come join us and learn more at our free event!  
Open to all students and student leaders who are interested in sharing the Gospel and making a difference in their community.

**REGISTER FOR EVENT AT:**  
<http://bit.ly/Bring1Event>

Date: February 19th  
Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm



Do you know any Middle and High School students who have a desire to reach their community for Christ? If so, *Christian Youth In Action* may be the perfect opportunity. Join us on February 19th from 6:00—8:00 pm to learn more. This event is for students, parents, and youth leaders. *CYIA* can help your students reach boys and girls with the gospel, see their faith grow deeper, gain experience for ministry in the local church, and grow in communication and teamwork.