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HIS MARVELOUS WORKS

CEF Orangeburg/Lower Savannah District Newsletter



Good News Club Goes Online!

Groups of children gathered afterschool - singing songs, playing games, learning memory verses and Bible lessons - it is hard to believe that it has been almost a full year since most of our Good News Clubs have met in the "normal" way that we were used to experiencing. While we pray and hope for the day that this will once again be a possibility, we are so grateful that **ministry continues today**, primarily through online Zoom Good News Clubs! We praise God for every volunteer that has displayed willingness to learn a new type of ministry and for the way that they have persevered through technology issues and the trial and error of learning how best to engage children online. 9 Good News Clubs have started so far this year, and we are continuing to work toward additional clubs beginning before the end of this school year.

One Good News Club parent shared this about her child's online Good News Club: "I'm glad my child is a part of Good News Club where you all are great teachers. It's a great program to teach kids about the Bible where they can understand it. Thank you all for the knowledge." We praise God for each child who is participating and for the doors that the Lord continues to open for more children to participate, whether virtually or in-person. One of our schools is allowing their afterschool program to connect to Good News Club virtually. One Good News Club is being held in-person at a local daycare. Another is being held in-person at a local church. In each of these situations, we praise God for making a way! **(continued on p. 2)**

Please continue to keep us and our church partners in your prayers. Please pray specifically for these things:

- A way to reach the kids in Allendale County. Our volunteer team tried several weeks of virtual ministry, but were not able to get kids signed into online Good News Club, likely due to Internet connectivity issues.
- That kids would be excited to participate in online clubs. Many of our students and their parents are weary from a year of virtual schooling, and we see the effects of that in some of our Good News Clubs
- That the Lord would continue to give wisdom and perseverance in navigating technological challenges

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- GNC parent*

God is good, and He is sovereign! Even as we hope for a return to "normal", we praise Him for allowing us to continue sharing the Gospel with children this school year!



Could you use some encouragement this year? Do you want to feel renewed and equipped in 2021 to reach more boys and girls FOR THE CAUSE OF CHRIST?

For the first time ever, Child Evangelism Fellowship invites YOU to join us online for International Conference 2021, offered in an entirely digital format. Together, we will enjoy time in God's Word and worship during main sessions, fellowship and pray using a state-of-the-art interactive platform and Zoom breakout rooms, and hear and learn about a large variety of ministry topics with over 40 workshops to choose from. No matter what role you play in the CEF ministry, we will have specific workshops that will be relevant to you!

Registration for International Conference is \$25 if you register before March 31st or \$35 after March 31st.

To register, visit <https://www.cefonline.com/intlcon2021/>



Do you have teenagers or college students in your church who desire to grow deeper in their walks with Christ? Maybe you have youth who desire the opportunity to participate in missions. What if your church had the opportunity to disciple these students, equip them for ministry, THEN reach out into your community with the Gospel this summer? Christian Youth in Action (CYIA) gives you the opportunity to do that!

CYIA is a program for teens and college students between the ages of 15-22 that helps them grow in their own faith while also giving them the opportunity to share the Gospel locally.

Plans are underway for the 2021 CYIA program. Contact us at (803) 535-0061 to learn how CYIA can help your church reach out to your neighbors with the Gospel!

