

# Good News Gazette

An update of the Panhandle Chapter, CEF® of West Texas Reaching out to boys & girls with the Good News of Jesus Christ

### It's not about me. It's about Him!

It's amazing to get to see how God works. This year JYC has been a challenge at times. There are days I wonder if the kids hear a word I say. There are days I feel like I bombed the lesson. There are days I wonder what I'm doing and want to give up. But then

there are days that I get to see God work in the lives of these children. That's the way it was the last club of January. Satan must have sensed something was about to happen because he was seriously

attacking me the week before. I struggled with attitude and being cranky. My husband had an on the job injury. I didn't feel good. And then it was Club day. As I taught, the kids listened. They even asked questions that led to more discussion. I could feel the presence of the Lord and the Holy Spirit guiding my

thoughts and words. After class one of my girls came up to me and said she wanted to accept Jesus as her Savior. As we went through verses in the Bible, she had no doubt she was a sinner and believed that Jesus died for her sins. It was such a pleasure to be

able to lead her to my Savior. Such a simple prayer but yet the most important one she will ever pray. This made all those hard days worth it all. It's easy to become tired and discouraged

but we must remain focused on our mission - The Great Commission. It's not about me. It's about Him! It's not about my ability but about His ability.

Ginnie Grant IYC Teacher

### New GNC Possibilities In Borger



A pastor and his wife (Jim & Donna Gose) invited pastors and others in the community for lunch in Borger and to cast the vision for reaching children through GNCs. We also mailed invitations, and I followed up with calls this week. I had little faith and expected 2-3 people. But the Lord brought 20!

# Upcoming Events

Pasta & Praise April 25, 2019

A Special event for our Good News Club volunteers and guest!



June 5-14, 2019 Contact the State office for more information 940-781-0899 In the group were 5 pastors and one children's dir. Four churches were represented. After my presentation, Jim asked if anyone felt God was calling them to be team coordinator for a club. Trina Burwash raised her hand. Two others offered to help with admin duties, and 2-3 others said they wanted to help. Wow!

After lunch and prayer, I went to the ISD office to see if I could speak with the superintendent. He wasn't available, but his secretary took info ... and then told me she used to work at Bushland Elementary and was familiar with GNC. She smiled and told me she would tell the superintendent about GNC. Isn't God amazing!? Please pray that permission will be granted; that no fees will be charged.

Janet Johnson—State Director



July 15-19, 2019 Contact Ronny Baldwin for more information 806-570-7975



5-Day Clubs during the month of July.

"Those who sow in tears, shall reap in joy. He who continually goes forth weeping, bearing seed for sowing, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Psalm 126:5,6

To the Panhandle CEF Friends.

This year is really speeding by quickly and its nearly time for summer ministry. How wonderful that God provides for the Children in CYIA, 5 Day Clubs and Camp Good News! It is such a blessing to see these young people invest their time to learn material and teach 5 Day Clubs.

There are many opportunities for you to be involved in ministry with Child Evangelism. Good News Clubs are finishing out the school year. Consider leading, helping or volunteering in a GNC. Children love to hear the Story, sing songs, learn memory verses and play the games. Amarillo has 34 public elementary schools and we have only 9 clubs. Many children are without knowledge of our Lord. Pray that the Lord of the Harvest

will provide workers and helpers.

Our Panhandle Local Committee meets once a month on the 3rd Thursday for and hour and a half. The need is great for more committee members. Several members have served the max time in years and we must step down from positions. The May meeting will be my last time with the committee as I take a 12 month respite. God tells us in His Word, "For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." God has plans for this wonderful Child Evangelism Ministry. Join in to share Jesus with the Children.

God Bless You, Jan Johnson, Local Committee Chairperson

#### Thank you for Praying for the Panhandle Chapter!

#### Please pray for these request:

- God's provision of a Local Director
- ₱ More church partners to reach more children
- **†** GNC team coordinators to recruit teams for school clubs
- Pray for open doors to present the ministry of CEF
- ₩ We need a team or two teams to continue the clubs at South Lawn Elementary and South Georgia Elementary.

#### Chapter Ministry Statistics

Each child is precious, and it is a privilege to take the Word of God and His message of salvation to boys & girls in schools, at apt. complexes, churches, Maverick Clubs, and wherever the door is open.

So far this ministry year ...

Clubs — 20 Children reached — 1097 Professions of faith — 73 Children who began going to church — 13

## Workshop 2019



On Feb. 9th we had a wonderful time of fellowship, prayer, and preparing for the next GNC lesson series, "God: The One to Follow." Stories were shared about the clubs -- how God is working to reach the children. It was exciting to hear about the 10 children at the Bushland club who recently received Christ and the two Hindu children who are now believers in Jesus! We thank God for each volunteer who serves with us and for each child He leads to be part of a Good News Club. Please remember to pray for new clubs to start in area schools and for our team working to connect with local churches. Thank you!



9–3:30 Monday thru Thursday 9–3 Friday

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