

Spreading the Word

CEF of West Texas, Panhandle Chapter
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Good News Club Ministry Update

Currently, Good News Clubs cannot meet in school facilities. One club met at a local church at the beginning of the fall semester, though as the COVID-19 outbreak escalated, it was decided to temporarily suspend in-person Good News Clubs. We now have two clubs meeting virtually via Zoom. There have been 36 children attending these clubs, and 6 have accepted Jesus as their savior. As the Spring 2021 semester begins, we will re-evaluate the situation to see if in-person clubs can be resumed.



It was laid on our hearts to mail a packet of CEF devotional booklets to all children who were enrolled in a Good News Club during the 2019-2020 school year. There are over 800 children on the mailing list, and we hope to get these packets sent at the end of December or beginning of January.

Faithful Friends

The year 2020 has certainly been an eventful one. It was very sobering to hear that two of our most faithful workers were retiring. Zoleta Cash and Wynola Sanders both made this announcement after 60 and 55 years of teaching children with CEF. CEF staff were able to meet with Wynola in Pampa for lunch and with Zoleta for lunch in Amarillo. Memories were shared.



Zoleta served in Amarillo beginning in her home and later teaching after school programs. She was the lead teacher, and her passion was sharing the Gospel with children and leading them to Jesus. Upon bringing her materials to the CEF office to share with others, it was amazing how many tracts Zoleta had in her inventory. She respectfully requested to keep some tracts so that she might still share with children in her new home in Oklahoma.

Wynola taught in Pampa at Lamar Elementary. When Covid hit our area and the schools were closed, her team was faced with how to finish strong. There

were many children with perfect Club attendance and they were placed in a drawing for a bicycle. The drawing took place in May, and because the young girl who won could not come by to get the bicycle, Wynola and her daughter delivered the bicycle. Upon meeting the girl's family, the Dad mentioned that he too had gone to a Bible club as a child, and the teaching at that club had had an influence on his life. His friend had invited him, and that friend was Wynola's grandson. This is a testimony of the generational influence of Jesus and CEF upon our families and communities.



Zoleta and Wynola, we cannot express our appreciation enough for your years of faithful service to the cause of Christ in teaching children about the love of Jesus. May the Lord continue to bless you in the years ahead.

Chapter Budget for 2021

The Panhandle Chapter's local oversight committee recently approved the chapter's budget for the 2021 year. Total budgeted expenses are \$65,050, and these expenses include costs of literature, workshops, teacher training, Good News Clubs, CYIA, Camp Good News, office utilities, office expenses, and payroll. Additionally, our two office computers are on their last leg, and we are looking to replace them next year.

The Lord has been faithful to provide financially for our ministry in the past, and our prayer is that He will continue to do so. We want to say *"Thank You!"* to all of our financial supporters. Through their support, the Lord's work has continued in the Texas Panhandle.

As 2020 comes to a close, would you prayerfully consider a year-end donation to help offset the Chapter's ministry costs and allow us to finish the year "in the black"?

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Our Purpose: Child Evangelism Fellowship is a Bible-centered organization composed of born-again believers whose purpose 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 a local church for Christian Living.

Our Mission: To enlist, equip, and encourage a team of qualified leaders who will effectively fulfill our purpose, expanding the work through the Panhandle region of West Texas.

Our Vision: Guiding a new generation that seeks to honor God.

Merry Christmas!

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders, and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Wishing you and yours a joyful holiday season

