

WHAT'S THE NEWS?



GOOD NEWS!!

A Newsletter of CEF Greater Kansas City Chapter - Jul/Aug 2024



Here's what has happened in the last few months.

NEW CHAIRMAN

Big things are happening at Child Evangelism Fellowship® here in KC! As we begin a time of rebuilding the chapter, we have a new chairman of the Kansas City committee. I would like to introduce you to Jim Collins.

Jim has been volunteering with CEF for seven years now by hosting Good News Clubs. He began teaching clubs because he understood the importance of teaching children about God.

Along with his involvement in CEF, Jim is also very active in his church, The Gathering Baptist Church in Blue Springs. Currently he is leading a Sunday school class and serving as a deacon.

When he is not busy with church and CEF he enjoys reading, camping, and playing pickle ball. Jim has been married to his wife, Kim, for 44 years. Together they have four children and seven grandchildren.

Thank you, Jim, for stepping up and taking on this new responsibility. I know you will do great things for this organization.

Christian Youth In Action & 5-day Clubs

May 4th five Jr. CYIA Summer Missionaries attended training in Columbia, MO. They learned how to teach Memory Verses, Missionary Stories, Games, & Songs.

June 2 through June 14 nine CYIA Summer Missionaries attended a week of training in Warrenton, MO and then a week of training at the local CEF office. They learned to teach Memory Verses, Songs, Games, Missionary Stories, and Bible Lessons.

Starting June 17th, these fantastic young people have taken on eleven different 5-day clubs all over the Kansas City metro as well as traveling out to Lawrence, KS and Leavenworth, KS.



In this newsletter you can expect:

Introducing Jim Collins

New Area Director

Upcoming Training Dates

CYIA & 5-day clubs updates

Annual Fundraiser Invitation

Prayer Requests



Enrichment Training

Located in Missouri

Grace Baptist Church
8524 Blue Ridge Blvd
Kansas City, MO 64138

Aug 6th 6:30-8:30 pm
Aug 10th 9:00-11:00 am
Nov 7th 6:30-8:30 pm

Located in Kansas

Lenexa Baptist Church
15320 W 87th St Pkwy
Lenexa, KS 66219

Aug 8th 6:30-8:30 pm
Nov 9th 10:00 am-Noon

New Volunteer Training

Located in Missouri

Grace Baptist Church
8524 Blue Ridge Blvd
Kansas City, MO 64138

Aug 3rd 9 am-4:00 pm
Sep 7th 9 am-4:00 pm
Jan 11th 9 am-4:00 pm

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Aug 17th 9 am-4:00 pm
Sep 21st 9 am-4:00 pm

There will also be trainings in St. Joseph, MO. For details, please contact Jacinda directly. All listed trainings are open to any volunteer regardless of which state you reside in or volunteer in. Registration for all classes is open. Scan the corresponding QR code below.



AUG 6 Enrich



Aug 10 Enrich



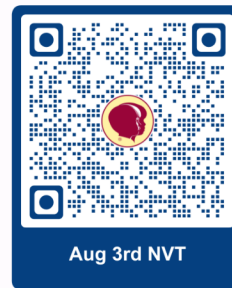
Nov 7th Enrich



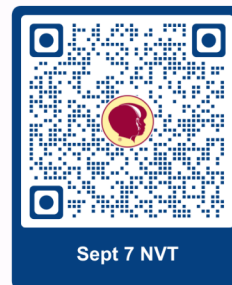
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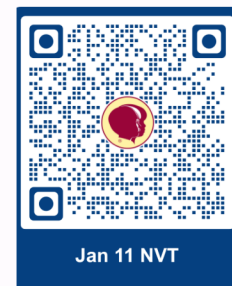
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Aug 3rd NVT



Sept 7 NVT



Jan 11 NVT



Aug 17th NVT



Sept 21 NVT



A Long Overdue Thank You!

I want to give a shout out to Grace Baptist Church. Thank you for all of your support.

Grace Baptist Church, located at 8524 Blue Ridge Blvd, has hosted the local office for the CEF Kansas City chapter for many years. They have generously provided additional storage as well.

Grace Baptist Church states their purpose as "To Glorify God by Conducting a Sovereign, Bible-Believing, Christ-Honoring Baptist Church in Accordance With God's Word". Check them out at <https://gbcgkc.com/>



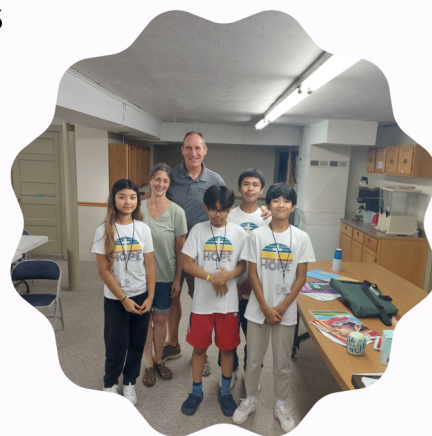
Annual Fundraiser Banquet

It's not too early to plan on attending our 2024 Annual CEF Banquet! Here are the details:

- Date: 08 Oct 2024
- Time: 6:30-8:00 pm
- Location: Fiorella's, 9000 W 137th St, Overland Park, KS 66221
- Guest Speaker: KC Wolf, Mr. Dan Meers

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For children to continue to come to 5-day Clubs this summer and that their hearts be prepared to hear the Good News of Jesus.
- For the volunteers preparing to teach Good News Club this fall.
- For the children and their families to be involved in Good News Club.
- For additional churches, schools, volunteers, and funding to expand the Good News Club ministry.



ANOTHER REQUEST

Many Christian ministries were hit hard by Covid-19 and are still struggling to get back to preCovid-19 operation levels. Our local operations were also impacted by Covid-19 with fewer GNC and lower income levels. It is our goal to get back to the level of having 60+ clubs in the metropolitan area. The more clubs we have, the more children are introduced to the Gospel. To do this, we need more volunteers and additional revenue.

How can you help? Please pray how you can be more personally involved with CEF. Can you volunteer time in the local office or with a Good News Club? Can you contact your local church to arrange a director's visit? Will your budget allow you to make a monthly financial donation to CEF Kansas City? Would you consider making a \$15 minimum monthly donation increase? Scan the QR code if you can answer, "Yes!"



Frankly, we need to increase church and individual donations by \$25,000 annually. If we can get 140 people to accept this challenge our goal would be met. Possibly you know of a mission minded church that would like to support this ministry. Contact Jacinda to schedule a director's visit to your church, Sunday School, or prayer group!

New Local Area Director: Jacinda J Berstler

While certainly not new to working in the local office for CEF - Kansas City chapter, as of May 1st Jacinda assumed the position Local Area Director.

Jacinda graduated from Children's Ministry Institute in April. She looks forward to serving the volunteers of the Greater Kansas City Area in all that they do in the CEF ministry.

Jacinda has served with CEF in various capacities since 2009. She started serving in the local office in 2019.

Please pray for God's wisdom and guidance as she begins to serve as Local Director.

THANK YOU FOR READING!



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