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**CEF of TN
Knoxville Chapter
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Our Prayer List

Pray that God would raise up more GNC leaders, partnering churches and committee members.

Pray for the Good News Clubs meeting at Dandridge, Cosby, New Hopewell, West Hills, Mt. Olive, Mt. Horeb and Edgemont Elementary.

Pray for God to pave the way for a GNC to begin at Farragut Primary as well as 5-6 other schools currently in the planning stages.

Pray that God would prepare hearts to give generously to our chapter so that our director and ministry can be fully funded.

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Thankful For Hearts That Love Children

If you are reading this newsletter there is a good chance that YOU have a heart that loves children and see them as Jesus did. Every single child is precious in his sight and it is not his will for any to perish. Our director along with our local committee and many other volunteers are working hard to get the word out about the Good News Club ministry so we can form new church partnerships and begin more clubs in 2020. With God's grace and favor and with your ongoing prayers and support, we will be able to do that. Thank you for praying with us and remaining steadfast in this call and vision as we enter into 2020. Will you help us continue to share this Good News of Jesus with more children? So many in our area have never heard. May this newsletter be a blessing and encouragement to you as we share what God is doing through this ministry and how you are or can be a part of it. On behalf of the committee of CEF of Knoxville, May God bless you and your loved ones.

Amy Tjoa, Chairperson - CEF of Knoxville



From Our Director: Craig Meredith

It seems like God shapes us the most during those times when all our training, skills and experiences are not enough. Perhaps we are the most pliable when we surrender our pride, embrace our helplessness and become dependent on Him like a child. Great peace can be found in a place of fervent prayer and waiting for Him to unfold His story. It's a great place to do life from.

1 Peter 3:15 "but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect."

CEF of Knoxville is positioned to sustainably grow our ministry but we need help. We need people who honor Christ the Lord as holy. We need people who have the hope of Christ in them. We need those who will do their best to explain that hope with gentleness and respect.

The next generation of children need individuals with gentle hearts to guide them to our holy Lord Jesus Christ. He is their, and our, only hope. I would ask one thing. Would you pray "Father, is there a part you would have me play in helping?" Please let us know His answer. We look forward to hearing from you.

Introducing

Welcome To Our Administrative Assistant: Becky Gagne

We are pleased to introduce Becky Gagne as the new administrative assistant for CEF Knoxville. Becky has already begun working a few hours per week to help us set up a “virtual office” for our chapter. We are expecting God to grow the ministry and Becky’s organizational skills and experience will help us keep up with the volunteer applications, required forms, various resources for the clubs, training options, and other details. Becky lives in Jefferson County and is a member of First Baptist Church in Dandridge. She has been volunteering for 2 ½ years at the Mt. Horeb GNC in Jefferson City. Becky loves the children who come to the club and looks forward to using her gifts and talents to help us reach more children with the Gospel message. Please pray for Becky as she adjusts to this new role.

Meet Board Member Ed Way

Several years ago I began serving on the CEF of Knoxville committee. I continue to do so to support CEF's mission to provide children an opportunity to hear the Good News about God's love for mankind provided through our Lord Jesus Christ. I invite you to join us in this vital ministry.



“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.” **Matthew 18:10-14 (ESV)**



Thanks

Praises For Our Matching Funds

Once again, we are so thankful to God and for your generous support to CEF Knoxville these past few months! We are pleased to announce that our chapter received year-end financial gifts that collectively not only matched but even exceeded the \$10,000 challenge that had been offered by a friend of the ministry at the end of the 2019 year. Because of your support we will be able to continue and grow the work of this ministry and reach more children in our area with the Good News of Jesus! Thank you so much for your support and partnership with us in this ministry!



What People Are Saying About GNC

“Our church loves children and also has a burden for souls. Good News Clubs may be the only way that some children will hear the Gospel. We have an obligation to those children.”

**Pastor Tom Shelton,
English Creek Baptist Church**

“I volunteer in Good News Club because I want to show God’s love to the children in a way that they can see it’s real. It’s such a blessing to see them accept Jesus as their savior and see them grow in Christ.”

**Janice
GNC volunteer – Cosby Elementary**

