



MINISTRIES

Club Ministries

Find out how God continues to use the exciting club ministries CEF® offers around the world. **Good News Club®**, takes place once a week during the school year, **5-Day Club®** takes place over the course of a five day period, during school holidays and sometimes after school.

Truth Chasers ClubSM
(Formerly CEF Mailbox Club)

has rapidly grown over the past five years to be one of our most effective ministries. Now in 130 countries, this incredible form of evangelism and discipleship is impacting the world for Christ.

Camp Good News

Week long camps are held in Canterbury and Southland. **Camp Good News®** has long been one of the children's favourite CEF ministries.

Training Opportunities

are courses which could be from 1 hour to 30+ hours and give a ministry institute diploma. (CMI)®

Introducing Suzanne

"My times are in Your hand..." Psalm 31:15

God has called Suzanne, from South Africa to join our CEF family. She has been appointed as the Area Manager (Local Director) to the Auckland region.

Suzanne worked for CEF® South Africa for 6 years as the Port Elizabeth Area Manager. Suzanne completed 4 of the key CEF courses in that time. She spent another 5 years in full-time ministry with New Life Ministries. More recently she was a teacher at a Christian School. She has a real passion for child evangelism – as she accepted Jesus as her personal Saviour as a young child.

Suzanne married Arrie Szilagyi in August last year. Arrie's father is Hungarian and his surname is pronounced = sea-la-gee. Arrie worked for the Department of Corrections for 22 years in South Africa. They are praying for a job opportunity at Auckland Prison for Arrie.

The couple faced numerous challenges in coming to their new home – but in spite of difficulty and set-backs, God has set before them an open door! We praise Him for His faithful provision! Our times truly are in His hand!

As Suzanne plans and prepares for the year ahead, please join us in praying for her.

Scripture to meditate on: "For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the water cover the sea." Habakkuk 2:14

Suzanne's prayer: Our hearts cry out: Make this Word a reality in the Auckland Region, Father God. May Auckland **be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord**. Advance Your Kingdom, Mighty God, as we seek to reach the children of Auckland!! We worship You, we bow down and kneel before You, for You are our God. Direct us according to Your will. We wait on You.



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FAREWELL TO A FAITHFUL SERVANT OF THE LORD

On Sunday 21st April, Mrs Jan Phillips went to be with the Lord. She was 97 and right up to a few months ago, had been attending the CEF® prayer meetings in Auckland.



Jan had been associated with CEF® for over 40 years, first in Wellington and then Auckland. She attended the 12 week Leadership Training Institute in Auckland in 1972-1973 and taught Good News Clubs in following years. She was also part of a team that taught in GNC® training courses. Jan was known right up unto her death as a wonderful prayer warrior, for her own large extended family, her church family and for Missions. We praise God for her voluntary work, prayer and sacrificial giving to CEF® over these many years.

Jenny Freeman

As our staff needs are growing we ask that you join with us in praying for financial support for Suzanne.

Please also pray for her as she settles into New Zealand, and starts in her role as Auckland Area Manager.

Gifts for her support can be sent to the National Office labelled "for Auckland Area Manager".



Camp Good News®



Hinemoa Good News Club Report for 2012

Praise God that in June 2013 the Levin Hinemoa Trust allowed us to share the gospel with the neighbourhood children through a Good News Club® (GNC®) at Hinemoa House. Hinemoa House is a Levin Interchurch Association initiative in the south and east Levin area.

The Club started on Friday 11 August 2012 with 27 children. Praise the Lord! Over the two terms we held the GNC we reached 42 children. From day one God gave us children for His kingdom. We were able to counsel 14 children for salvation in 2012 and another 3 this year.

Last year there were four helpers, Dolly Kurian, Elena and Sam Sosene and James Ingles, with Malcolm Tasker and Pam Brooking leading and teaching. Altogether, a team from four different churches in Levin. This year there are five involved, four in the teaching team (Malcolm, his wife Julie, Teresa and Pam) and Dolly.

This year a discipleship club (Wonder Club) has been started and five children attend each Thursday afternoon. Although attendance is sporadic by some of the children, they want to study God's word. It is very encouraging to meet some of the parents of the children and to find that they are very supportive of what is happening.

Pam Brooking

CAMP REPORTS January 2013

1 Corinthians 15:57 But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

We ran two camps this summer, one at Waipara and one at Woodend.

We started Waipara with the children coming in on the Sunday and ending Thursday. At Woodend the children came in on Monday and it ended Friday. We had smaller numbers at both camps. Waipara 54 and Woodend 63.

Phil Mardon directed Waipara – his first time as Director and did a great job. There was a great atmosphere, a relaxed happy one. Scott Marshall also assisted Chris Mardon who was in charge of activities, this combination worked very well. Scott also took responsibility to run Variety Time which the children enjoyed. We had 13 decisions for Christ.

For Woodend, Paul Hussey directed and did a very good job with lots of fresh ideas. Caleb Honiss was assistant and also helped Sam Peach who was in charge of activities. This was Sam's first time in charge, he did a very good job keeping the children occupied. Tim Marshall was responsible for Variety Time at Woodend. We had 14 decisions for Christ. Woodend was a more difficult camp, particularly the boys' side.

There were a total of 117 children at both camps. All heard the message of the Gospel plainly presented with 27 decisions for Christ.

To God be the glory, great things He has done.

Yours in His service,

Peter van't Wout

CHALLENGES

During 2012 as we trusted God we saw Him come through as a faithful God and Saviour, time and again. There have been many changes and challenges within our ministry and within NZ society. This year we can look at the **CHALLENGES** we face day by day and year by year.

Challenges can lead to discouragement if we look at them but if we look to God and accept them they develop our characters. We can develop compassion as we think of others rather than ourselves.

In the midst of our challenges in personalities, finance, differences of methods, attitudes and faith, we need to remember:

Our **COMMISSION** from the Lord Jesus, ¹⁸ *And Jesus spoke saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you;"* Matthew 28:18-20 (NKJV)

CEFZN's particular commission is to reach the children of NZ. Jesus went on to say, *"and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."* — He is with us and in us, equipping us all through the difficult times to carry out His command.

Our **COMPASSION** for the lost. This was the heartbeat of our Saviour's ministry. ⁴⁶ *But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd."* Matthew 9:36 (NKJV)

It must be ours toward each other and to those we minister to.

Our **CONCERN** for others. ⁶ *My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and on every high hill; yes, My flock was scattered over the whole face of the earth, and no one was seeking or searching for them."* Ezekiel 34:6 (NKJV)

Intercession is the way that leads to the winning of souls. No ministry can prosper without it and no Christian can grow without it. Christ also left us with this command, ⁹⁸ *Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest."* Matthew 9:38 (NKJV)

Our **CONTACT** among the families.

It begins with personal contact. Jesus' disciple, Andrew, went and got his brother Peter and brought him to Jesus. We need to make contact with children, families, churches, and other ministries, to fulfil the great commission. Very few make contact with us.

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Our **CONVERSATION** as we share the wonderful life giving message. *"15 Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,"* 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

Paul sought wisdom from God for the right words to speak to the people and gained their understanding. *"To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some."* 1 Corinthians 9:22 (NIV) We need to seek God's wisdom in all our conversations.

That **CONVERSION** is our goal as we evangelise the children, assure them of their salvation and then disciple them. *"14 Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in Heaven that one of these little ones should perish."* Matthew 18:14 (NKJV)

This goes back to the beginning — our **COMMISSION** from the Lord Jesus Christ. As we put our trust in and focus on the Lord Jesus Christ and His will for our lives, the challenges which will always be there, will be seen as opportunities to grow and mature into His likeness. Trust Him!

Pam Brooking

[Ideas taken from the New American Standard, The Open Bible, "A Guide To Christian Workers" pp1285-1295]

Activity Corner

The picture below may be photo copied for use in your class or church. An A4 version may be downloaded from our website, www.cef.org.nz The children can have fun answering the questions and colouring in the picture.

FAMILYFUN

Answers:
1. Great Sea
2. Red Sea
3. Sea of Galilee
4. Salt Sea

Under the sea

"Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths" (Psalm 148:7).

Nothing Fishy about It

1. Who created the sea creatures? _____
(You guessed it! Read Genesis 1:20.)
2. Who did God put in charge of the fish? _____
(Read Psalm 8:6.)
3. What happened to all the fish in the Nile River? _____
(Read Exodus 7:14-24.)

See how many of God's sea creatures you can list. Set the timer for two minutes and go!

In the book of **JONAH** read a great story about a very disobedient man in the ocean—and a big fish!

Take a look at your Bible maps and figure out the names of these seas:

1. This one is named for its size: _____ Sea
2. The color of a cardinal: _____ Sea
3. This one is really a lake: _____ of _____
4. Every kitchen has it: _____ Sea

See if you can find out what was wrapped around Jonah's head under the sea! **HINT:** the answer is in chapter two!

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is now working in 180
countries worldwide

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Prayer for Children in New Zealand and Around the World

Please join us in prayer for the needs of children and CEF® workers and missionaries here in New Zealand. Monthly prayer items are sent out to prayer partners either by mail or email and monthly prayer meetings are being held in various locations. If you would like to receive these and would also like to know more about the venues for prayer meetings, **please contact CEF National Office. (SEE ABOVE)**

DONATE

The most spiritually productive harvest field anywhere is among the children. Statistics show that the great majority of people who accept Christ do so between the ages of four and fourteen—when they are children.

If you would like to make a direct credit gift to our ministry the details are:

BNZ: 02-0200-0272828-000.

For receipts, please put your name & what the donation is for in the particulars field.

...around the corner...around New Zealand

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Overseas News

Thess Llorente in Samoa

On the 9th of April it was our privilege to meet with Theresa (Thess) Llorente for the first time. While we had often exchanged emails it was great to meet her in person. We spent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning with Thess and had a really neat time with her. Thess is a missionary to Tonga and is the Director for CEF® Tonga. Thess was born in the Philippines and has been in Tonga for the past 20 years.



During this week Thess was getting ready for TCE1™ (Teaching Children Effectively™) Level 1 course which ran in Samoa from 22nd April through to Friday 26th April. They were hoping for up to 20 students. Rev David Ra, Jeremiah Cho, Thess Llorente, and Pam Brooking were teaching different parts of the course. Thess flew to Samoa on Friday 12th evening and spent the next week preparing for the course and encouraging students to attend. The last report had 14 students booked to attend the course. At the end of the course Thess will be staying for another two weeks and will be assessing the students in their final practicums (practical assignments). Once they complete their practicums the students will have completed the course and be issued with their certificates. Thess will then fly back to NZ before going back to Tonga. We are all praying that this training session will establish CEF® in Samoa.

What a blessing to be able to meet with Thess and enjoy fellowship together over the few days before she went to Samoa. Thank you Thess.

Stephanie Doak

Samoa Ministry Update

28 April 2013

“The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped.” Psalm 28:7

I can proclaim that *“I am helped”*, the Lord indeed was and is my strength, and I trusted in Him in every step of the way. The Teaching Children Effectively 1™ (TCE1™) Course is an intensive training and demands a lot of time in preparation and study for the students and instructors. The Lord gave us fourteen students who attended the 30 hours training from April 22-26. I am so grateful to the Lord for the Senior Pastor of the Peace Chapel Christian Church, Pastor Samoa Unoi who was so kind to allow us to use the Church Board Room.

Pam and I went to observe two of our students as they teach their Sunday School Classes. Both taught the Bible Memory Verse and Bible Lesson.

To God be the glory! Please continue to uphold in your prayers the Samoa mission trip. Pam and I counselled 10 children by week end. I will be encouraging the students this week to organize a Good News Club® and will need to supervise and observe them. Pray that the Lord will raise up future CEF® workers for Samoa. Pray for the plan to follow up the students by visiting them in July this year and early next year.

Praising God for His goodness,

Thess

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ITEMS FOR PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayer makes a difference. When we pray, God works. In a spiritual ministry, we don't want to attempt to put our efforts and resources into something that is not blessed of God. Phone the office or email us for up to date prayer requests, or go on our monthly prayer calendar update.

Praise God for Suzanne coming to New Zealand, and joining the National Office as Auckland Area Manager.

Pray for wisdom for the Board as they seek a new National Director.

Weekly Good News Clubs® for 2nd term in Whangarei, Auckland, Levin and Napier.

Weekly Good News Club® training for the Korean teachers - Monday nights.

TCE2™ (Teaching Children Effectively™) Level 2 training in June to be held in Levin.

TCE1™ (Teaching Children Effectively™) Level 1 training in July to be held in Christchurch.

