



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)®

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Editorial from Suzanne

Warm greetings, dear friends and a hearty welcome to another new year with C.E.F. 2014! It holds the promise of new opportunities, fresh grace, an expectation of greater things to come!

It also allows us to look back over 2013 – to think back about the times that God was with us; to reflect on answered prayers; to remember the times that God spoke to us and to think back about the times God intervened in our lives.

For Arrie & myself 2013 brought an overwhelming sense of wonder and awe. We can only marvel at the deliverances and victories which the Lord had given us. Our hearts are overflowing with gratitude and praise.

2013 was filled with ups and downs along the way, but God was with us every step of the way!

The challenge in 2014? To embrace this year boldly, with unwavering faith.

I find such encouragement in David's Psalm 18. David expressed such bold confidence in His God – "With Your help I can advance against a troop, with my God I can scale a wall." It is almost as if he was saying: "Bring it on! I'm ready, come what may. My God is with me."

David knew God and He experienced God!

To David God was:

- His Strength – The One that empowered him;
- His Rock – His place of safety;
- His Fortress – His place of strength;
- His Deliverer – The One who made a way of escape;
- His God – The One worthy of his love and adoration;
- His Shield – The One who defends the head and the heart;
- His horn – His defence;
- His stronghold – His hiding place.

We know our God and experienced Him in great ways in 2013. As we look back, remembering what God had done for us, let that be our confidence for 2014. Let us embrace this year, boldly and with unwavering faith, knowing that God is ever faithful – He holds 2014 in His mighty Hand. Expect great things!

I leave you with the words of the Irish hymn: "Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart"

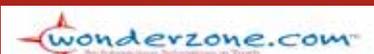
Richest Blessings, Suzanne Szilagyi

Farewell to Russell Doak

It is with much sadness that I have to say goodbye to Russell from the CEF office. Russell has been working for us for the past year and prior to that helping out on a volunteer basis. Thanks Russell for going over and beyond the call of duty many times within the office. Many people here at the Mission Centre also are missing your smiling face and cheerful disposition. Russell was starting to look for full time work but unfortunately has become too ill to do so. Please pray with me that God will place his healing hand over Russell and that he will be well enough to be able to find full time employment soon. Stephanie



Camp Good News®



“Let the little children come to Me”

The precious invitation from the LORD Jesus Himself! What a privilege to be a minister to the children of New Zealand. I had the opportunity to share the Gospel and to offer many children God’s love during the holidays. An average of 30 children attended the holiday outreach in Te Kauwhata.

We were greatly blessed and it was a tremendous joy to see the little ones respond to the Word of God.

I am eagerly looking forward to the start of the other ministry programs again - Bible-in-schools at Te Kauwhata and Ohinewai as well as the Wednesday club. First Wednesday - 12/02/2014



There is also a possible ministry opportunity on Saturdays in Meremere. We have been praying for an open door into Meremere. So, it will be exciting to see how God answers our prayers and what He has planned for that community. Hopefully I will have great news to share with you in the next newsletter!

On a personal note:

We fell in love with New Zealand!

We are slowly becoming part of the local community in Te Kauwhata. God has blessed us out of our socks in 2013! Praise Him!

Suzanne Szilagyi



Woodend and Waipara Camps

Faithful is He who calls you and He also will bring it to pass.
2 Thessalonians 5:24

I was sharing at the TCE™ 1 course before Christmas on the attributes of God and on how God has never let me down.

We ran two camps at the same time, one at Waipara and one at Woodend. We had no Camp Parents for Woodend and on Sunday night, the Training Day evening, I received a call to say that the Activities Director for Waipara was in hospital and wouldn’t be coming to camp.

We did some quick shuffling around and Zac said he would be activities Director. He did a very good job. Then Jan Marshall said she would come and be Camp Mum at Woodend although her husband, Steve, couldn’t be there. That worked out very well. God is faithful. We have an awesome God!

We had 109 children between the two camps. The Gospel message was presented clearly and plainly. We had six students from TCE between the two camps and I was able to hear all six present their Bible stories and they all did a very good job. It’s really encouraging to see the talent of these young folk in action. We had the privilege of counselling 20 children for salvation.

We had two very well run camps. There was a peaceful, friendly atmosphere at both camps. The quality of leaders is very high and even the five or six new leaders were really good, which makes the running of camp so much easier.

I am so blessed to be among such a talented group of young people who really want to show these children what Jesus means to them.

God is so good! Peter van’t Wout



Peter van’t Wout



- Above** Learning links
- Left** Learning the Wordless Book
- Top Right** All the team
- Right** Attentive students

Woodend Christian Camp is building and developing a self-contained Training Centre within the camp. Towards that end, we held our last TCE in December at the Camp. We had six students and two Instructors, William van't Wout and Pam Brooking. Peter van't Wout took the daily devotions.

The students were 16 and 17 years of age with varying abilities and challenges. They all contributed with a passion to see children won for our Lord Jesus Christ. The devotions were refreshing and 'spot on' for the needs of the student's growth in their Christian walk. Thank you Peter.

During the course we were able to see the extra resources needed for further courses at the venue, when it is completed later this year. It is exciting to have this venue specifically for training.

All students passed their practicums and last week would have done many of their after course practicums at the two CEF Good News Camps held at Woodend and Waipara Riverside Camp. We look forward to hearing how they got on and the joy they would have had leading children to the Lord.

Comments from the evaluations of the TCE 1 training in Canterbury December 2013

- Thanks for everything
- You guys are awesome!!!!
- It was presented clearly but a bit too clearly
- Would you recommend this course to a friend? - yes - to anyone interested in children's ministry
- Very impressed

Good News Clubs in Levin

2013 finished with three different break ups at three different venues. A supporter kindly sponsored colouring and activity books for each child as a Christmas gift. Child Evangelism Fellowship provided felt pens, coloured pencils or crayons to go with them as few children have them at home. Eighteen children received these and were delighted. We were thrilled with the gusto as they sang praise and worship songs to the Lord that they had learned. The party food and gifts were appreciated by all, some very shyly. We will miss some who are moving away from Levin.

The wonder Club went to Waitarere Beach. There was a lot of fun with sand competitions and singing. We finished with the gospel story of the Candy Cane. Each child was then given one. One child asked, "Can I eat it now?" "No", I said, "You can eat it after you have told the story to someone who doesn't know Jesus as their Saviour." On the way home, there was big excitement as they talked about who they would share the gospel with using their candy cane.

What a blessing they all were.

Pam Brooking

CMI is being held in Fiji 1st June 2014 to 23 August 2014.

The **Children's Ministries Institute** (CMI) provides specialised, practical training in children's ministries generally not found in Bible colleges or Christian Universities.

If you have a heart for reaching children for Christ and discipling them in their walk with the Lord, or if you desire to train others in this type of ministry, or if you are seeking lifelong ministry opportunities in this field, CMI is just what you are looking for!

Believing that a ministry to children is vitally important in spreading the gospel "to every creature", the CEF Children's Ministry Institute consists of three phases.

Phase One prepares the student to evangelise un-reached children with the Word of God, to disciple and establish them in a Bible centered church.

Phase Two equips the student to offer practical training for other adults involved in children's work.

Phase Three gives managerial and leadership skills needed for developing a children's ministry in CEF, the local church and other mission agencies.

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If you want more information regarding this course or to book please contact the national office as soon as you can.

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Prospective Students

Who can benefit by enrolling in the Children's Ministries Institute?

- 📖 Teachers of all kinds
- 📖 Parents who desire to raise their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord
- 📖 Bible College students who wish to obey God's call to specialise in ministry to children
- 📖 Pastors and full-time Christian workers
- 📖 Those who feel God's calling into child evangelism and possibly even into the ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship
- 📖 Those who desire to strengthen their ministry through continuing education courses
- 📖 Guaranteed to bless and enrich your life with practical teaching skills that will win the hearts of boys and girls for Jesus Christ!

God is good and CEF
is now working in 187
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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:

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

March 2014 Thess In Tonga Update

“Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16 (AKJV)

First Day of March begun in Prayer for the needs of CEF Tonga as we met at the house of one of the National Board members for our monthly Dawn Prayer Fellowship. We continue to ask God for His choice of a National Leader for CEF Tonga. We praise God for two new Board members and another one planning to join the Board as well. We are grateful to the Lord for graciously providing Seed money towards the Building project for CEF Tonga through CEF Fiji. Please uphold us in your prayers as we anticipate God’s miraculous provision for this great need of a home for CEF Tonga – the need for a property in a convenient and accessible place which is a government land to build the CEF Office, Training Room and Resource Centre with a residential flat for the missionary director or national director. We serve a great God who is able to provide.

It was a joy and privilege to preach and give a report to my English Speaking Christian Church for what the Lord has done during the four months being away from Tonga. I am so glad to take part in this year’s Bible In Schools at Tonga Side School. The School Principal had asked the Free Wesleyan Church to take charge of their children and so the Lecturer of the Theological School was assigned to spearhead the program. He brought his students as a requirement in their Bachelor of Divinity (BD). Another wonderful opportunity was that I get to do a weekly training to these BD students to prepare them for the Bible In School. The first topic I shared was the message of salvation. One student shares how her class was attentively listening to the message using the “Gospel fold up” I gave to them during the training. After she shared the message one of the boys was crying he was so convicted of the message, so he was lead to the Lord and was prayed for. In one Christian School, I got invited to give the message to the children from Kindergarten to year eight during the school assembly last week.

We had also started the Children’s TV program at the Christian TV station called Jewels of the Kingdom for this year. The devotion on the air at the Christian Radio station is using the Wonder Devotional Book. The Wednesday Good News Club at my place has started. I am praying that the Lord will bring new children into the Club.

Do pray for a good number of attendees to the Sunday School Teachers Enrichment Seminar on the 15th of March to be held at the building of Faith Seminary Tonga Extension.

With the Children’s Ministry Institute (CMI) in CEF Fiji coming up in less than three months, please join me in asking God to provide for the airfare and CMI fees of the two Tongan students.

From the 29th of March to April 6, I will be visiting Samoa one more time to follow-up the newly formed CEF Samoa Founding Board. Please pray for the National Board Training and the possibility to conduct a Sunday School Enrichment Seminar. Pray especially for the Secretary and Chairman of the Founding Board as they prepare to attend the CMI in Fiji. Pray too, that I will be a blessing and an encouragement to them. Remember to include Miss Chona Alano from the Philippines who will mentor and assist the National Workers for CEF Samoa right after the Fiji CMI.

Let’s continue to seek the Lord’s guidance and direction and His perfect will, so that He will be honoured and glorified in our lives! Glory and honour belongs to Him alone!

“I sought the Lord and he heard me and delivered me from all my fears.” Psalm 34:4(AKJV)

With a grateful heart,

Thess

Theresa Llorente

Missionary Director
CEF Tonga

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ITEMS FOR PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayer makes a difference. When we pray, God works. Phone the office or email us for up to date prayer requests, or to go on our monthly prayer calendar update.

Praise God for all the children coming to the various clubs around the country. Pray that each child will commit to Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and grow in their Christian walk.

Pray for Samuel, Shona and Sue as they reach children and train Korean people. Pray that God will meet their needs of wisdom, strength and supports.

Pray for students to attend CMI.

