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*"But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob,
 and He that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee,
 I have called thee by thy name; thou art Mine." (Isaiah 43:1)*

"The summer like no other" is how I often refer to the Summer 2020 schedule. Although we will not be at Camp Good News overnight camp at the beginning of August, we believe the doors that God has opened to proclaim the Gospel are exactly what we should be doing for such a time as this. God's plan prevails! It has still been a very busy summer with Meredith Gardner, our summer missionary!

This spring our CEF E PA Executive Director, Doug Williams, challenged the county staff teams to consider ministry avenues that 1) took us to where the children are, 2) does so in a way that we call them by name, and 3) shows them the love of Jesus. By God's grace, we have been doing exactly that the last two months. Your partnership has helped make this possible! Your giving of over \$6,000 has made it possible for us to pursue the setup of Good News Encounters online and purchase items for care packages, as well as other special incentives to children who participate in the online series.

JONAH, Phase 2 . . . ONLINE alternative to 5-Day CLUBS *Continues through August 7th!*



The CEF E PA State Headquarters prepared five video episodes that are linked on our website. The episodes include a brand new Bible series on Jonah, songs, and the missionary story of A Miracle for Samuelito that incorporates teaching of the Wordless Book. A short promotional video on the Good News Encounters webpage features Meredith and me explaining the care package contents and videos.

Here is just one of several encouraging notes from parents we have received, as their children participated in JONAH but currently have limited involvement in activities outside the home: *"Thank you so much for the GNC packages! We used it for the kids church this morning and it was amazing! You can tell they spend a great amount of time on it! Excited to get the kids involved personally next year!"*

PETER, Phase 3 . . . ONLINE alternative to Camp Good News

While the JONAH series is accessed via www.gncnc.org/goodnewsenounters and is go-at-your-own pace, the PETER series has been by invitation to our camper audience on Google Classroom. Sibling groups could watch the daily video segments together and then submit "Quiz Down" reviews to earn a special prize package. Daily welcome videos from Meredith, Alyssa (camp assistant), and me began each day. We were privileged to have our own overnight camp Bible teacher, Deborah, teach the "extra Scripture" of 1 John 4:7-11. The main videos, prepared by CEF E PA, included Peter Bible lessons, daily memory verse, and the continued story of George Mueller.

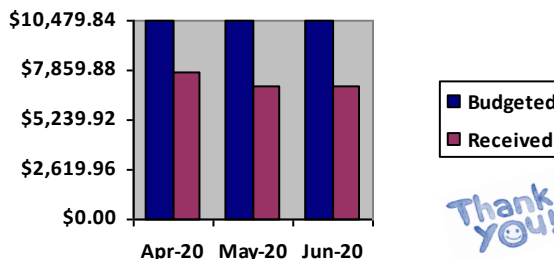
One parent shared, *"We have enjoyed the lessons so much! [My sons] loved learning from all of you! Thank you for all the hard work you did to put this together. Thank you for being faithful to the work to which God has called you!"* We have no idea the impact that has been made as not only children but in some cases, the entire family, sat down together to watch the video segments!

Whether we see children on their front porches or wave to each on live video chats, it is an honor to show them the love of Jesus and call them by their names!

Compelled by the Love of Christ, Anna



2020 Second Quarter Income Report



Thank You!

2020 Annual Operating Budget: \$115,068

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Pray, Remembering God Answers Prayer!



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



*"In the harvest field now ripened There's a work for all to do;
Hark! the voice of God is calling; To the harvest calling you.
Little is much when God is in it! Labor not for wealth or fame;
There's a crown, and you can win it, If you go in Jesus' name."
"Little is Much" by Kittle Suffield*

2 Praise God for former 5-Day Club hostesses who received JONAH packages and delivered them!

3 "For the friends on my street to receive Jesus"

4 "Keep my dad safe and healthy at work"

5 "That COVID goes away and my family get our air conditioning back"

6 "For our neighbor who hurt his hand, and for our cat that is sick"

7 "For my friend's seizures to go away"

8 As true this summer as ever: *"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase."* (1 Cor. 3:6)

9 Thank the Lord for parents who trusted CEF to have a safe online learning experience. We do not take their trust for granted!

10 Final prize packages are mailed/delivered this week. Pray for organization of details.

11 "Where there is no vision, the people perish . . ." (Proverbs 29:18a)

12 Praise God for the vision and leadership of our CEF E PA Executive Director, Doug Williams.

13 Pray fervently for our nation, as well as state and local leaders. Pray for truth to prevail.

14 We appreciate your prayers as we seek God's will for ministry during the school year season.

15 We are grateful Zach shared his skills and filming equipment for our county's personalized videos!

16 It was a joy to have Meredith serve alongside Anna for six weeks! This is an excerpt from one of her weekly prayer updates: This week, we are blessed to be able to begin our online PETER series! It truly brings me great joy to see all of the former campers that God has led to return this summer online. Praise Him for that! The JONAH series grew this week. . . . This summer is unlike any other, truly, but there is one constant: the need for children in the area to hear the Gospel. I am truly blessed to be able to assist CEF in any way possible in their mission to reach children. It was at a CEF Good News Club that I was saved, and it was at Camp Good News that I was taught about consecration and how to further my relationship with God, so I personally know how the Lord has used them to spread the Good News of Jesus. I am so thankful to God for allowing CEF to continue, even though it may be in a way that is unusual.

17 To God be the glory for what He accomplished this summer!

18 Keep Tom, one of our committee members, in prayer as he grieves his mother's homegoing.

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20 Praise God for continued partnerships with churches. We are grateful for the prayers and support.

21 Many thanks to Matthew and Lucas for their patience and hours invested in editing our GNE videos!

22 Uphold our volunteers and their loved ones who face health challenges. May they know God's peace.

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26 CEF E PA staff will meet (in-person or online, TBD) to be refreshed from God's Word together, and look ahead to opportunities for the school year.

27 Director's Institute

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