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MINISTRY NEWS

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Arkansas, Inc.



Special Message

"The past 17 years have been an adventure seeing God work through the volunteers whom He has called to take the Gospel to the children here in Arkansas. As we step

down from CEF of Arkansas staff, we praise God for the unity we have seen (and are seeing) among all the CEF® volunteers and staff. It reminds us of Jesus' words in John 17:23. We plan to be serving 'shoulder-to-shoulder' with you as we serve in *Good News Club*® ministry in the Houston area where we will spend face-time with our children and grandchildren. We will be praying for you all in general, plus specifically, as we get news of how God is working in Arkansas! We will miss you, each one!" -Gary and Jean Atkins

We are thankful for the Atkins' ministry with CEF of Arkansas, and the great foundation they laid for continued growth. Through their leadership many children have heard the Gospel and had the opportunity to put their trust in Him for salvation. To God be the glory!

In June we held our *Christian Youth in Action*® (CYIA™) Training School. We had a great group of students, which included teens, several adults new to CEF, and a nine-year-old Junior CYIA student who



attended classes with her dad. The students finished the week ready to teach children this summer. Some went on to teach in *5-Day Club*®, and others helped with camp and church ministries.

Introducing our new Assistant State Director

Andrew Longo and his family! Andrew has been in Pastoral Ministry for the last fifteen years, serving in several different pastoral positions. He first found CEF while searching for a ministry job position online. Since then, he has learned much more about CEF and says: "I'm looking forward to working alongside each person who is currently a part of this ministry and those that will be part of CEF in the wonderful state of Arkansas!" Andrew and his wife Kaylee have four children ages seven and under. They ask for prayer for their family as they navigate this season of transition. Please join us in welcoming the Longo family to CEF of Arkansas.



"CEF knows how to train people to effectively lead someone to follow Christ, specifically children! That is where we should start as it can dramatically affect the effectiveness of ministering the Gospel and fulfilling the great commission!"

-Andrew Longo

Coming to a Location Near You

This fall weekly *Good News Clubs* reach children in schools, neighborhoods, community centers, and Boys and Girls Clubs. The Gospel is always clearly presented in every CEF club meeting. In December the *Christmas Party Club*™ outreach will share the Gospel through fun filled parties, reaching children not in church. To get involved, contact our office or your local CEF worker.

CEF of Arkansas Summer Ministry

13 5-Day Clubs + 7 Party Clubs + 17 fairs and community events + 3 open-air Gospel presentations = 844 people reached (mostly children) and 85 professions of faith. *We praise God for each child who heard the Gospel and for His work in their lives!*

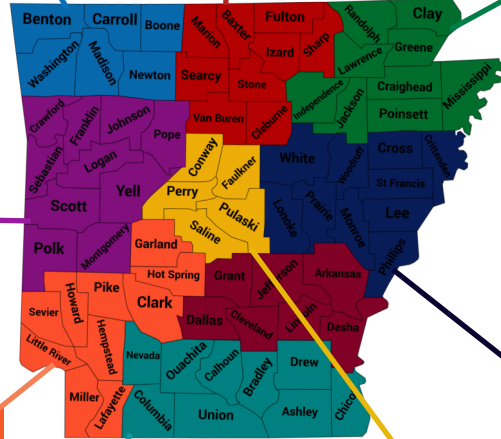
2025 Spring and Summer Ministry Highlights

Our **Northwest Chapter** had four students at *CYIA* this year, and two others attended local training to help teach in *5-Day Club*.



Our **North Central Chapter** hired Nick Ketterman as their Local Coordinator. They look forward to growing their church partnerships and *Good News Club* ministry.

In our **Northeast region** staff used face painting to share the Gospel at four community events, reaching 189 children.



Our **West Central Chapter** held an *Easter Party Club™* at a Boys and Girls Club, with 40 children attending. They continued their partnership by helping with the site's Back to School Bash.



In our **Southwest region** the Hot Springs *Good News Club* team is starting their fifth year of clubs.

Our **East Central region** participated in the Cabot July Jubilee, with Gospel face painting and a puppet who interacted with the children.

Our **South Central Chapter** has partnered with other non-profit organizations to reach families in their own communities. At each event, *CEF* shared the Gospel through the Wordless Book or a *Party Club* lesson, and gave out Bibles and devotion books.



Our **Central Chapter** held seven *5-Day Clubs* this summer, with a total of 176 children attending and hearing the Gospel.

Will you join us? Is God leading you to help meet one of these needs? ● Pray ● Give toward staff salaries or ministry expenses ● Volunteer ● Introduce *CEF* to your friends. Contact the state office or a local chapter listed below.

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