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## You Are Invited to Our September 23 Banquet!

All of our amazing supporters are invited to our fund gathering banquet at the Obetz Community Center, 1650 Obetz Avenue, Obetz, OH 43207, on Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 6:30pm (doors open at 6pm). Radio host Bob Burney, who spoke at our previous banquet, will be our guest speaker. The dinner menu includes chicken, pasta, side dishes, and desserts.

We are still looking for individuals, churches, and businesses to sponsor the banquet. We are also looking for table hosts that can invite people to fill an 8-person table. All those interested in being a sponsor or table host can contact Janice Howdyshell at 740-475-8306 or jbhowdyshell@yahoo.com. Walk-in guests are welcome to attend the banquet, but we do encourage you to inform Janice of your attendance.

If you are not able to attend the banquet, but would like to financially support the ministry, checks can be mailed to **CEF of Ohio – Greater Columbus Chapter, PO Box 1173, Columbus, OH 43216**. Debit/credit card donations can be made through PayPal by visiting the link on our website at [cefcolumbus.org/donate/](http://cefcolumbus.org/donate/). We look forward to seeing you at the banquet and helping you learn more about the CEF ministry to children in Central Ohio!!!

## “I am Just So Happy Now Because Now I Know Jesus Loves Me”

Those were the words spoken by a little 9-year-old girl named Ty’anna who accepted Jesus as her Savior in a 5-Day Club this summer. Another little girl named Mia, who is 6 years old, accepted Jesus. She told me that her dad said he did not love her anymore and that he never wanted to see her again. I was able to pray with her about her dad and tell her that now she has a relationship with God and He will always love her.

Our lesson series this year was "Jesus, My Savior and Friend." It has been a great joy to be able to tell the children that Jesus loves them and that He will always be their Savior and Friend.



*We praise the Lord for our awesome 5-Day Club teachers this summer.*

**2022 Worldwide  
CEF Ministry Statistics**

**People Trained**  
2022 - 439,423  
2021 - 312,655

**Good News Clubs**  
2022 - 79,733  
2021 - 55,143

**Children Reached**  
2022 - 19,575,136  
2021 - 15,628,921

**Professions of Faith**  
2022 - 6,009,739  
2021 - 5,645,921

This year we had two teen missionaries, Lucas Justice and David Babbs, trained to teach the 5-Day Clubs. Along with the young people, three adults volunteered their time to teach in at least one 5-Day Club; some were able to do two clubs. I am grateful to Diana Trotter and Ardith Parsley, former CYIA summer missionaries, for helping this summer. I am also thankful for Angel Williams who helped with two clubs. Angel just completed the Teaching Children Effectively 1 course offered by CEF and was finishing her real-world teaching in the 5-Day Club.



With three 5-Day Clubs and one Fair ministry, we were able to share the Gospel with 124 children, and 12 children accepted Jesus as their Savior. Praise God!

So many children need to hear about Jesus. Will you help tell them? Please pray about what God would have you do.

Contact me to find out how we can help you or your church fulfill the Great Commission.

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**Prayer Requests** – That our supporters will receive a blessing from our September 23 banquet • For the Lord to open the door to additional Good News Clubs in schools and other facilities • Additional church partners/volunteers • A Director for our Chapter and extra funds to support that position • Our Ministry Coordinator Laura Gardner to reach 100% support • Spiritual growth for the children reached during our summer ministries



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