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Immanuel- God With Us

At a Good News Club® in Camarillo, the invitation was given and a young boy raised his hand up to put his trust in Jesus for the first time. During the counseling session, the teacher gave the boy an assurance of the faith he now professed based on God's Word from Hebrews 13:5 & 6. Below is their conversation.

Teacher: Jesus promises that He will never leave you nor forsake you, and will always be there to help you no matter what!

J: "Really?!" (*very surprised and with teary eyes*)

Teacher: Yes! Jesus always keeps His promises and you can trust everything you read in the Bible. (*More conversation happened and the teacher prayed for J and encouraged him to share with some of the teachers what he had just done.*)

After the club was over, the teacher was walking with J to the gate for parents to pick up their children.

Teacher: So J, who's picking you up?

J: My grandma.

Teacher: Oh nice! It's always nice to spend time with our grandparents. So are your parents off to work?

J: Ummm...no. My dad moved to Texas and my mom is homeless. The doctor said that she is sick.

Teacher: I am so sorry to hear that J. I will be praying for healing for your mom and that you get to see your dad. You are welcome to talk to me anytime and let us know if there is anything you might need when you come to club. (*At this point we were at the gate, greeted grandma and told her how nice it was to have J in our club today.*)

J: (*with a huge smile on his face*) I will see you next week!

It was after hearing about his parents that the teacher realized why the boy had gotten so emotional when learning that Jesus would never leave him and always be there to help him. These children carry many burdens and we need to point them to the One who tells us to cast our cares on Him because He cares for us!



The Power of God's Word

Every day we witness the changed lives of our students. I met Daisy (pictured right) at a Good News Club at Madison Elementary. When I asked if she wanted a Bible, she produced this Bible out of her backpack.

She told me Ms. Chang gave it to her 2 years ago! Sure enough, the inscription reads: "School year 2019-2020." Even though we had not seen Daisy for 2 years—she had a Bible, the very Word of God had nourished her soul throughout the Pandemic!





Ministry Year Statistics

(September 2021 — August 2022)

*We give thanks to God for the amazing way he has enabled Child Evangelism Fellowship of Southern California to reach **62,303** children with the Gospel and see **11,882** profess faith in Christ for the first time.*

Dear CEF Supporters,

Help us finish strong in 2022 with a generous year-end gift!

In 2021-2022 we saw an increase by over 100% of the children we were able to reach. The numbers you see in this newsletter were far more than we thought possible!

With 2023 on the horizon, we're really looking forward to all that the Lord has in store here in Southern California. Our local directors and volunteers are working full blast in reaching children for Christ. We are starting new Good News Clubs all over the state. We are gearing up for fair and party club outreaches in the spring and summer. We are preparing for another great year for Christian Youth in Action® (CYIA™), our summer training program for teens and young adults to learn how to teach the Gospel to children in 5-Day Club®. CYIA will be held at The Master's University in June. It is amazing to see all the Gospel driven activity happening as our team is pushing through barriers to see our goal of every child, every nation, every day, accomplished in our state.

Today, as you make a year-end gift, we want you to know your gift will be used to advance the Gospel and encourage God's children through the teaching of His Word. For example, the LA County Fair outreach costs about \$5,000. CYIA costs about \$750 per attendee. We charge \$500 per person, so we need to raise the extra \$250 per person (last year we had around 70 people). Please consider making a gift this month, so we can get ready for 2023! Make your year-end gift by giving online via our website at www.cefsoca.com or by mail.

