

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Southern California, Inc.

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Newsletter**

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Christian Youth In Action®

There were **60 students** who participated and together they taught at **14 different 5-Day Club® locations**. A total of **234 children** were reached with the gospel and **38 children** made first time professions of faith in Jesus!

We give thanks and praise to our awesome God who did a mighty work in the lives of the children we reached out to and those who participated in CYIA!



LA County Fair!

The LA County Fair has officially moved its dates from September to May. We had the privilege of sharing the gospel with **1,486** people (including children, teens, and adults) and **459** of them made first time professions of faith!

The little boy in the picture below couldn't believe that God said He loved him. His idea of God was that He is just the one in charge. The teacher kept showing him scriptures that said that God loves him. Then he and the little girl accepted Christ for the first time. Then he said, "I have this quarter, I'm going to give it to you." The teacher said, "No, you don't need to give me your quarter." Then he stood up and said, "You are doing a good thing here, use it for Jesus." Please keep this boy in your prayers. He knew nothing about God and he lives in a home that does not believe in Jesus.



CEF Serves at the CHEA Convention

The Christian Home Educators Association asked CEF to return this year to run the children's program during their convention. Over **150** children participated in our program. We used CEF materials that train children on how to share the gospel using the Wordless Book. It was adorable to see these little ones learning how to share the love of Jesus with others!

We also spoke at 4 different breakout sessions with the adults to share with them about the ministry of CEF and how they could get involved. Two students joined CYIA after learning about the program at CHEA!

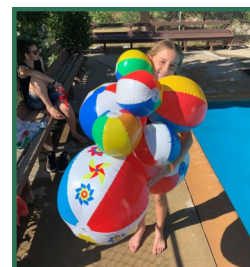
Our CEF bookstore was also set up where people could purchase CEF materials and find out more about our ministry.

Camp Good News®!

We had **214** children participate in *Camp Good News* this summer with an amazing **38** professing to put their trust in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Many children went home with the Holy Spirit in their heart and a brand new Bible in their hand.

I was particularly touched when a girl from an older cabin who had been coming to camp for many years had a real change of heart. This camper has had a challenging life and has continually pushed God away and looked for answers to her pain in all the wrong places. How pleased I was to hear that this camper told her counselor, "I didn't really believe in God before, but I do now!"

Another camper journey that really stuck out to me was that of a boy who was really struggling with homesickness. When he realized his mother wanted him to stay and wasn't going to pick him up, he went from sad to mad and eventually back to sad. His counselors faithfully poured into him throughout the week, and on Thursday night, he prayed to receive Jesus as his Savior. With the Holy Spirit living within him, he had a great last day of camp. What a transformation!



Dear CEF Southern California Partners,

We are off and running with our summer ministries reaching children with the Good News of Jesus Christ! We finished our first completely in-person Christian Youth in Action® (CYIA™) camp in two years. This program trains teens and young adults to teach children the Gospel and how to lead a 5-Day Club®. What a great week. Our 5-Day Clubs are now running all over Southern California and our fair ministries are going on in multiple parts of the state. And to top that off, **we have reached over 35,000 children with the Gospel this year and seen 6,232 children make first time professions of faith. Also, 2,509 children started going to church for the first time.** All here in Southern California.

As you can imagine, with our ministries starting to go full force once again, the need for workers and financial resources are great. Please be in prayer for those needs and if you can give financially, it would really be helpful to finish the summer well and be able to launch our Good News Clubs in the fall with all the support they need. For example, we are required by the State to now do fingerprinting as part of our background checks. That will be an extra \$20,000 expense this year as we pay for the volunteers and staff this August to complete this new requirement.

Any size financial gift will be helpful to keep our ministry moving forward! Thank you for your continued prayers and financial giving to CEF Southern California!

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