

CEF of Greater Knoxville Update

Fall 2025

The purpose of CEF of Greater Knoxville is to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to establish (disciple) them in the Word of God and in a local church for Christian living.

Dear Friends of CEF of Greater Knoxville,

Fall is finally in the air! Children are back in school, and we, by the amazing grace of God, are back in action with our 15 After-School Good News Clubs.

Today, more than ever, it's so important to share the Gospel of Jesus, the truly Good News, with children. Child Evangelism Fellowship of Greater Knoxville has been faithful in doing so for over 50 Years. Over the past 4 years, we have had significant increases in our Good News Clubs, 5-day Clubs, and other programs, including our wonderful team of prayer partners, volunteers, donors, sponsoring churches, and participating schools.

God has been so faithful. We thank all those who continue to join this work, to be God's hands and

feet bringing Good News to some of the youngest members among us. What a privilege it is to join in and see the results of His harvest.

If you know of anyone who would like to get involved in this special mission, please pass this newsletter along to them, visit our website, www.cefknnox.com or contact CEF of Greater Knoxville director Mitch Townley at (865) 333-1211 or by email: info@cefknnox.com

As Jesus said in Matthew 9:37, and in Luke 10:2, "The fields are ripe but the workers are few." Children are so open to the Gospel message; serving God in this ministry to little ones is a real joy.

In His service,

—The CEF-Greater Knoxville Local Committee

We've Been Growing!

We had a busy summer with three 5-Day Clubs in Knox and Jefferson Counties, representing 69 children reached with the Gospel and 5 professions of faith.

We have 15 After School Good News Clubs (ASGNCs) underway including new clubs at Gap Creek (Knox), New Center (Sevier) and New Market (Jefferson) Elementaries. Praise the Lord!! 5 additional schools are waiting on church sponsors to be able to get started. If you know of a church that may be interested, we would love to meet with them to get acquainted, provide information on our partnership program, and pray about their involvement.



2025 has been filled thus far with additional After School Good News Clubs, 5-Day Clubs, and special holiday Party Clubs. Themed lessons, games, songs, and scripture keep them interested and engaged in hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

“On the Air” Saturday Mornings with WRJZ/Joy 62 Radio

CEF of Greater Knoxville is now the official “sponsor” of WRJZ’s (AM620) 7:00am -8:00am hour of Saturday morning children’s programming. Information and announcements about our chapter will air in between the two 30 minute programs, “Adventures in Odyssey” and “Paws and Tales”. Thank you WRJZ for this opportunity.



Our Local Committee is Growing!

Thank you so much for your continued prayer support for the needs of this ministry. We’re delighted to let you know our local committee is close to adding two new members — definitely an answer to prayer. In fact, we need even more, so please don’t stop your prayers. Stay tuned for more information and formal introductions in our next newsletter, or check our website for more details.

A Call to Prayer



As we settle into the familiar rhythms of Fall, it’s easy to fall out of the habits that support us spiritually. Our schedules can be suddenly filled with new activities compared to the somewhat slower pace of summer. It’s easy to let things like personal worship

and prayer time, journaling, or dedicated time to study and listen to God get crowded out of our days. Yet this is the time when we most need to stay close to God, enabling Him to direct our steps. We must take care not to let distractions with busyness keep us from truly following God’s purpose for our days.

Are you a member of the CEF of Greater Knoxville Prayer team? We’re looking for new members who will dedicate a portion of their daily prayer time to the specific needs of CEF. Each month, you’ll receive a Praise & Prayer Report via email, as well as requests the children have made for prayer during their After School Good News Club meetings. It’s easy to join the Prayer Team. Just send an email to Mitch Townley at info@cefknnox.com and let him know you want to serve on this important team within the ministry. Thank you!

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV)

Congratulations to Lacey Wilkins, our new Tennessee State Director. Welcome!

Please continue to pray for the coming school year, that we would ...

- Continue to grow in both attendance and number of After School Good News Clubs (currently at 15);
- That we would have plenty of volunteers to conduct each GNC; and
- That many of the attendees would make decisions to follow Jesus.

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