

# CEF NORCAL CENTRAL COAST

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Every Child. Every Nation. Every Day.

Summer 2020

## Summer Ministry on the Central Coast

Do you want to hear how good and amazing our God is? Despite COVID restrictions, **He increased the number of summer Clubs we did this year!** Not only that, but we were able to do Clubs in three different areas of the Central Coast: **Watsonville, Salinas & Greenfield.**

Lori Marzolf has been doing 5 Day Clubs for 20 years in her backyard in Watsonville. This year, she plugged in local young people to help her reach children in her neighborhood with the Good News of Jesus. **Over 7 children attended and 2 of them gave their lives to Jesus!**

Our staff hosted a 3 Day Club, with the help of young people from Cypress Church. This Club was held in our director, Becca Lamont's, neighborhood in Salinas. The fruit from their labors was evident as **22 children were in attendance and 2 of them committed to a relationship with Christ!**

April Kobayashi and her team will host a 3 Day Club in Greenfield from August 12-14. She too will plug in some youth leaders, including her own children who serve as junior leaders in their Good News Club. **Please pray for fruit to come from this final outreach of the summer!**

*“By faith we expect  
rich harvest fields  
and breaking nets,  
for the Gospel  
is designed to  
bear fruit.”*  
*-Jack Miller*

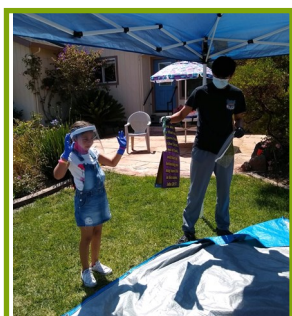
## Follow Us!

Here are the top three reasons you should follow us on social media:

1. Encouraging verses & quotes
2. Ministry updates & stories
3. Prayer requests & praises

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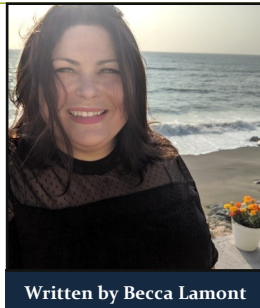
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Summer Clubs in Watsonville & Salinas

*"Start children off in the way they should go and even when they are old they will not turn from it." ~Proverbs 22:6*

## From the Director's Desk



Written by Becca Lamont

To quote Bob Dylan, "Times, they are a-changing"! And these changes are making an impact on our ministry, but they are not thwarting our desire and ability to **continue to share the gospel with children in the tri-county.**

One of the new ways we are moving forward is by entering into the technological age and creating *Zoom Clubs* in lieu of our in-person Good News Clubs. This has been quite an undertaking, headed up by our amazing staff, Lizzy Chavez & Christy Candelario. Some of our volunteers have risen to the occasion and are willing to train on this new medium. **Their focus and ours remains the same: to share the Good News of Jesus with as many children as possible, so that Christ may be glorified!**

The other way we are entering into new ministry is by going back to our roots and hosting *Home Clubs*, which will serve neighborhood children. This will involve having a volunteer open up his or her home to kids and a team who will teach a Good News Club as usual. We will continue to take precautions to ensure the safety of children. **Our God is so creative—to allow us to minister to children who may otherwise not have been able to attend an after school Good News Club** can now go to one in their own neighborhood!

**We covet your prayers as we prepare for and carry out the Great Commission on the Central Coast during this time.**

## From the Assistant's Desk



Written by Elizabeth Chavez

In this season, God has been challenging our team on how we can creatively continue to reach our children and their families. We have done mass mailings, sent gifts to our GNC graduates and we are working on our social media presence.

**Follow us on Instagram and Facebook for Club updates and daily encouragement!**

## The Battle Belongs to the Lord!

God is moving in amazing ways! Please join us in giving the Lord praise & praying for our ministry

### PRAISES:

- Five of us were able to attend a CYIA camp in mid-July (see article on next page).
- God has financially sustained us throughout this difficult time.
- As far as we know, none of our staff or volunteers have been sickened by COVID!

### REQUESTS:

- Pray for spiritual fruit to come from the new ways we will be sharing the gospel with children this year (Zoom Clubs & Home Clubs).
- Ask God for more volunteers to be raised up to share with children about Jesus and Salvation.



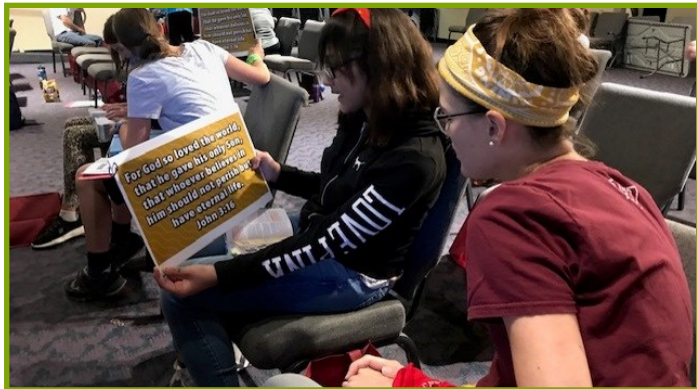
A Clubber made prayer rocks for Sylvie and her husband!

## Ways to Get Involved

- Pray about the possibility of *hosting a Home Club*; opening up your home weekly to neighborhood kids
- Consider being *trained to join a Good News Club team*, via a Zoom Club or Home Club
- Think about people you know who would be interested in serving on our local board; we are especially seeking *business and financially-minded people*
- Pray about *becoming a regular, monthly donor or increasing your current giving* to help us meet our growing opportunities. You may use the enclosed envelope or use our online giving: <https://bit.ly/3b7JZkH>

If you have any questions about these opportunities, please contact us

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Our youth camper explaining how to share John 3:16 to Christy at CYIA

## Christian Youth In Action (CYIA)

Did you know that teenagers are being used to spread the Good News? They are being equipped through CEF's Christian Youth In Action (CYIA) program. CYIA is an intense, yet fun training camp for 12-18 year-olds.

Every summer, our sister chapter in Grass Valley, California, holds a CYIA Camp to **train teenagers to share the Gospel of Jesus** using the Wordless Book. They also help them prepare to do outreaches, including bounce house events, fair booths, 5 Day Clubs, and Party Clubs. Our entire office staff, along with April Kobayashi and her teenage daughter had the opportunity to join them in order to learn how to bring Christian Youth in Action here to the Central Coast.

Many of the training sessions at CYIA were **taught by teenagers who clearly have a passion for evangelism**. These youth inspired us with their knowledge, energy, and desire to see Christ made known in their communities! Having seen the long-term impact a CYIA Camp can have on young people's passion for the Gospel, **we hope to replicate CYIA for youth on the Central Coast next spring**.

By equipping youth to share the Good News, we can expand the ministry of CEF on the Central Coast through 5 Day Clubs, Party Clubs, and Good News Clubs and help further fulfill our mission of reaching Every Child, Every Nation, Every Day. **Please pray with us as we move towards starting our own CYIA here on the Central Coast!**



Written by Christy Candelario

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## Mail Box Club Continues

We are happy to report that our Mail Box Club is growing, as well as bringing much fruit! This ministry allows children to receive Quiet Time sheets in the mail to help them spend special time with Jesus. They send back completed sheets and their responses blow us away on a regular basis. Here are some of their insights to bless you:



Sweet Valeni with her "God is Good" poster

- ◆ I am forgiven
- ◆ God is in control
- ◆ The gospel is for everyone
- ◆ God loves me, nothing can change that
- ◆ God makes me feel happy, loved, special and wanted
- ◆ Nothing can separate me from God's love

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