

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed,
For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.~ Joshua 1:9

Guiding the Way

Leading children to the Lord with CEF® NorCal, Silicon Valley Chapter
serving San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

MARCH –
JUNE 2024

Be a Missionary for Christ



The temperature has finally risen after a cold and wet winter. As we thaw out under the warm sun, we can't help but begin to look to our summer plans. What's your summer plan this year? What about your children and teens?

Overseas missions may be exciting and life changing, but do you know it can be just as exciting and life changing to be a missionary right here? The Bay Area has become a mission field as people from all over the world come to find jobs in the technology sector. Did you know the children in the San José Unified School District speak more than 90 different languages at home? The majority of our neighbors don't know who Jesus is.

In June, we train teens and adults to be missionaries right where we live through Christian Youth In Action (CYIA), and send them off to parks, community centers and apartment complexes to share the gospel through 5-Day Clubs. Teens and adults can be missionaries right in their own neighborhood! It is the most cost-effective way to raise up the next generation of evangelists.

What's your summer going to look like this year? You can make a difference for the Kingdom through CYIA and 5-Day Clubs. Everyone is invited to be involved in changing our community with the gospel—one child at a time! Not ready to be a missionary? Consider hosting a 5-Day Club at your home or church. Contact our office at 650-306-0200 or go to www.cefnorcal.org/sv to find out more!



DATES OF INTEREST:

- Fundraising banquet
March 16, 2024
- Celebration Luncheon
April 27, 2024
- CYIA
June 15, 17–21, 2024
- Junior Leadership
August 10, 2024



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Celebration Luncheon

CEF NORCAL SILICON VALLEY

Good News Club volunteers & supporters are invited to a special luncheon!

Join us to hear what the Lord has been doing in the Good News Clubs!

Saturday, April 27th, 2024
CEF Silicon Valley Office
800 San Antonio Rd. #5, Palo Alto
Time: 11:00AM – 1:00PM
RSVP by April 25

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We need you

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Contact us at siliconvalley@cefnorcal.org

News from the Field

Ysabel Woody—field missionary



We were all set to go - team of four trained (check!), the principal's favor garnered (check!). It was now time to submit the permit for facility use and get a Good News Club going in a school in San Francisco's Bayview.

Then the complexities of working with school administrations hit - the principal asked us to connect with the after school programs coordinator, but the after school programs coordinator wasn't interested in working with us. Now what? I sent an email to the school, requesting a meeting with the principal. No reply.

"Is this really going to happen?" I thought to myself. The team and our friends and supporters kept praying and kept hoping. In January I gave a call seeking a meeting - which resulted in no meeting. One day, I decided to show up in person and spoke to the secretary, who met me warmly. She held onto the paperwork I needed signed, and two days later called me to say that the principal had signed and it was ready to be picked up. After a long delay and a bit of a run around, this was all over in two days. God gave us favor with the school leaders and especially the secretary - and showed me that I don't have to be scared when I run up against challenges with getting established in a school.

Please pray for the new team that is forming to support this club. Several teammates ran into challenges that prevented weekly commitments. Please pray for the remaining team members to be strengthened as they serve the kids, and for new members to feel the call to child evangelism in our schools.



Pajama Day at Lawton School

Philip Wong — GNC Team Leader

We praise God for allowing us to have a Good News Club at Lawton Alternative School in San Francisco these past seven school years. We experience the joy of watching the kids as they learn from God's word, sing and recite memory verses, and groan when the missionary story ends on a cliff-hanger — requiring them to come back next week if they want to hear what happens. We can see they are thinking by some of the questions they ask, and sometimes we have to pray on the spot for wisdom to answer truthfully and correctly from Scripture.

Our club has usually been on the smaller side, but the consistency in attendance has been very good. At the beginning of the school year, it was great to see one of our former students from maybe six years ago come by and say "hi". She told us the following week she would be dropping off her sister (who is several years younger) to attend club. So, even over time we can see how God is working behind the scenes in bringing kids to hear His good news. Praise God for allowing us to be a part of His work of reaching children for His kingdom.



Christian Youth In Action



DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Serving Christ is an adventure, and it can be a whole lot of fun! Christian Youth In Action™ is a week-long program that trains & equips teens and adults to present the Gospel in 5-Day Clubs®—through Bible Lessons, Missionary Stories & more! Clubs are held for one hour each day, for five days & are taught using CEF materials. 5-Day Clubs are hosted in churches, parks, community centers, and in homes – bringing the Word of God straight to children and their families! Come join us & make a difference for Christ! Brochure and application form are available online. Hurry! Deadline is June 3!

When is CYIA?

June 15, 17–21, 2024!
Saturday 8:30 am–4:00 pm (lunch incld.)
Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:25 am–5:30 pm
Tues, Fri 8:25 am–7:30 pm (dinner incld.)

Location:

Valley Church
Cupertino, CA

What's the cost?

\$200—includes all materials
(\$160 if payment received by May 31)
A \$10 non-refundable deposit must accompany application. Balance is due by June 3, 2024.

How can I sign up?

Complete the CVIA application & submit it to the CEF office for approval. Applications and a brochure are available at:
www.cefnorcal.org/siliconvalley/cyiacs

Who can attend?

Believers ages 13 & over who have known Christ as Savior for at least 1 year are welcome!

No registrations accepted after June 3rd!

The time is NOW!

Child Evangelism Fellowship Silicon Valley
cordially invites you to our

Fundraising Luncheon

Featuring Guest Speaker Pastor Dave Sawkins,
founder of DS Ministries

at Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave., Cupertino
Saturday, March 16, 2024, 11:45 am - 1:30 pm
registration opens at 11:30 am



Please RSVP by March 10 to your table host or online at cefnorcal.org/svbanquet/ CEF office 650-306-0200



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