

January 2013

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Dear Friends,

I stayed up late on New Year's Eve and watched the ball come down in Times Square, ending 2012 and beginning 2013. The TV commentator stated that he and many others were glad to say, "good riddance" to 2012, with a desire that this new year would be better. What a sad and hopeless way of viewing life.

As a child of God I did not have to say "good riddance" to this past year. Our Lord Jesus was with me through every moment of every day in 2012. Our Lord Jesus is Sovereign; He was in control of every moment of every day in 2012. I understand that 2012 was a tough year for many, for some, believers included, 2012 was a devastating year. Still our Lord went through every moment and every event with each of His children. And He has promised to do so forever, "I will never leave you, nor forsake you, so we may boldly say; 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear...'" (Hebrews 13:5-6). I do not know what this next year will bring, but I know that our Lord Jesus will be with me every step of the way. "In Christ" we face 2013 with confidence and hope.

There is much I am uncertain of, but I am sure of our Lord's presence, goodness and grace. I am also certain that judgment will come upon this world which has rejected our Lord Jesus Christ. It is our desire; it is our mission in *Child Evangelism Fellowship* to bring the Gospel to the children of Maine and beyond. God is given this new year, for how long, no one knows. Let's make the most of the time that we have.

Thank you for your generous help in this effort to evangelize and disciple boys and girls. By God's grace we will continue to serve our Lord with a whole hearted effort. Thank you for standing with us as we do so.

May God grant us "much fruit" in this new year.

'Til Every Child Knows,



John Romano

Prayer and Praise January 2013

NEW STAFF BUILDING

The goal is to have the new building ready for our first winter retreat Jan. 11-13. Pray for the final work and inspections to be accomplished.

Praise for the many hours of volunteer labor, financial gifts and expertise from Barney Daigle that have helped to make this vision become a reality.

GOOD NEWS CLUBS

Praise for 74 clubs being taught. 61 of those are in schools.

Pray for a good attendance in each club.

Pray for children to be saved and grow in their walk with the Lord.

Pray for an increase in clubs from last years total of 82.

Pray for a club to begin in your local school.

WINTER RETREATS

Pray for full retreats and needed staff workers.

Pray for safety, fun and a good work to be done in the hearts of campers.

Winter Blitz—January 11-13

Winter Blitz—January 18-20

Good News Club Fun Day—January 26

Blueberry Mountain Bible camp has retreats every weekend, also.

CEF STAFF

Praise for the years of service of Jim Bowen and Sarah Hall in our state office in the financial area. They have completed their time with us.

Edna Sawyer Welbourn went home to be with the Lord December 23.

She was state director from 1957 to 1979.

KIDS CAN KNOW GOD CONFERENCES

Pray for wisdom in planning the workshops.

March 9—Livermore; March 16—Westbrook; March 23—Hermon

FINANCES

Praise that we ended the year with all salaries paid. **We give thanks for so many who have given sacrificially at this time and throughout the years.** Pray for God's continual supply in these difficult days.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Pray for a director for Rhode Island.



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