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CEF
Child Evangelism Fellowship®
OF MAINE

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Dear Friend,

The disciples came to our Lord Jesus with a question that was on their minds quite often: “Who then is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” Our Lord’s answer must have surprised them “... ‘Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven” (Matt. 18:13, NKJV). Children are humble, children find it easier to have faith, and children are not as hardened as those who are older, who have spent more years in this dark world that we live in.

In *Child Evangelism Fellowship®* our primary purpose is to evangelize children, to simply and clearly share with them the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our target age group has always been those kids between the ages of 5-12. Today that target is getting smaller. Children are dropping out of our club ministry at age 11, it used to be at age 13. Today, at age 11, kids are facing the issues that children previously faced at age 13.

That trend does not altogether hold true here in Maine. We are still reaching many kids aged 11-13. We are reaching them here at *Camp Good News®*, at Blueberry Mountain, and in our camping ministries all over Maine. Camp has a profound impact in the lives of children, and they want to keep coming right through their teen years. Many of those kids learn to serve our Lord at camp, on our junior staff. Others attend *Christian Youth in Action®* training school, and really learn how to grow in their walk with our Lord.

Some of those kids come from Christian homes and we provide a great supplement for them, but for many there is no Christian home, and all the food they get to grow on comes from the Lord through the ministry of *Child Evangelism Fellowship*. Those kids will fill up our camps again this summer, both as campers and as junior staff. Some are now old enough to serve on our senior staff. One young lady who will be serving with us this summer, and then going to Bible College this fall simply defies all the odds. And yet our Lord has saved her and kept her and used her through the ministry of *CEF*. She is “fruit that abounds to your account.”

Thank you for giving, and thank you for praying. There are many more children to reach.

‘Til Every Child Knows,



John Romano



Prayer and Praise

GOOD NEWS CLUBS

- Pray for our outreach with **65** clubs in schools and **9** clubs in homes.
- Pray throughout the summer for continued growth in this vital ministry.

STATE BOARD/COMMITTEE RETREAT - May 9

- Pray for a good attendance from every local chapter and the state board.
- Pray for Richard Summerford, state director of South Carolina as he leads this time of instruction and encouragement.

CAMP GOOD NEWS

- Pray for the completion of the girls bathroom. It is progressing well!
- Praise for \$13,000 that has come in towards the new boys bathroom.
- Praise for the new 15 passenger “bus” that has been purchased.
- Pray for the 300 volunteer staff needed for this summer. Praise for 100 who have signed up as of May 1st.
- Pray for a full camp - 714 campers. Praise for **194** who are signed up.
- Praise for 16 seniors/college students who have expressed a desire to serve this summer as a part of our College Bound program. Pray for them to be fully supported.
- Pray for “many hands” to help with the spring clean-up of the camp grounds.

CHRISTMAS ACROSS AMERICA - Special Outreach

- Pray for 5,000 special Christmas clubs across the USA.
- Pray for 100 clubs here in Maine.

BLUEBERRY MOUNTAIN BIBLE CAMP

- Pray for the completion of the new staff cabin before camp opens.
- Pray for needed staff.
- Pray for 45 campers per week for the three weeks of camp.

CEF INTERNATIONAL AND USA

- Pray for John and his responsibilities as a district director.
- Continue to pray for a State Director for Rhode Island.

FINANCES

- Pray for God’s faithfulness for meeting all of our needs in the month of April.

Pray for the children of Maine to be saved.