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# Good News Review

“Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 18:3-4

## The Battle for the hearts of Children

A Battle rages: for the hearts and minds of young people. Many children are in crisis and they need intervention....before it is too late. There's an unspoken cry for Jesus. Many children don't know who Jesus is, but they desperately need Him. They yearn for someone who will love them unconditionally and never leave them. Yet how will they get to know Him? Statistics prove most believers trust Jesus as Savior between the ages of 4-14, yet most children will never attend church. The way to reach them is to go where the children are and interact with them in a fun, intentional way. Now is the time for believers to share the Good News of Jesus with the next generation.

**How will the children in your community learn about God if someone doesn't teach them?** We are in need of helpers in our area clubs to sit with the kids and show them Jesus. We have teachers in our clubs, but need adults to sit with the kids to help maintain structure and discipline. If you are willing to help us out, please call the office and I can give you times and places where you can fill in those spots. Below are pictures of our Wishram Good News Club with kids and helpers.



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Fall is here and Good News Clubs have started, are starting, and are in the process of getting started. I am excited about the 11 clubs that are going or, are in the works. But we have so many more opportunities to start more clubs. We NEED the workers to make that happen. October 4,5,11,12, and 19 are the dates for our TCE Level 1 class being held at Rowena Baptist Church. Those students taking that course will be equipped to start a club in their community. The thing I like about CEF is that they not only show the need and ask for you to volunteer, they give you the tools to teach and reach out to those in your community. Pray for these students and their teachers as they prepare to go and bring the Good News to children.

Looking forward to Christmas, we will be training CYIA teens to conduct Christmas Party Clubs again this year. Saturday, November 9th we will be having a training here at the Mid-Columbia CEF office at 10:00am. If you are interested in training for a Christmas Party Club you can attend also. If you would like to host a club and have the CYIA teens run that club, let me know. December is a busy month and the dates fill up fast. First come first served on having the teens conduct the Christmas Party Club in your area.

We thank you for your prayer and financial support. And for those who give of their time in helping in our Good News Clubs we are so thankful for you too. May God continue to bless you as you answer the question, "Who will go?" **SEND ME!!!**

*For the children, Julie*

## SEE YOU AT THE POLE

September 25th was the "See You At The Pole" event at our schools. See You at the Pole (SYATP) is the global day of student prayer, that began in 1990. Decades later, millions pray on their campuses on the fourth Wednesday in September. It is simply a prayer rally where students meet at the school flagpole before school to lift up their friends, families, teachers, school, and nation to God. It is a student-initiated, student-organized, and student-led event.

I had the privilege of being invited to the school of my two daughters to lead the flag raising and share a moment before prayer of the value of our flag. There I shared Psalm 33:12a "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord..." As I then listened to the kids lead out in prayer, there was a pattern of concern over the future of our nation. Prayers like "Lord, please push back the darkness that is being brought to our schools." I thought of a teacher whom I know, who is a Christian. I thought of how she described the things she was being asked to teach and the policies the district has. I know a recently retired principle, who retired, in part, because of those same concerns.

What would bring concern, frustration or fear into the heart of an educator or two, let alone children? According to the Bible, we live in a dark world. Ephesians 6:12 says "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

We all have our attention on what is happening in our nation, and we need to do our part to participate in our world to influence it for Christ. Lets be sure to invade the darkness and do so carrying the light of Jesus. Bringing His love for all people, Jesus came with the purpose of helping the lost. And that is our task as well.

Jesus said "I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark." John 12:46-47NLT

*Let the little children come, John*



## CYIAers at Family Camp

Rounding up our busy summer of 5-Days Clubs, we had 5 CYIA teens volunteer to teach children at our church's Family Camp. Beth Burgess, Avie and A'slynnne Maia, and Evelyn and Sophia Tomka had a great time teaching verses, sharing Bible lessons, singing songs, playing games, and sharing about a little girl from the country of Sri Lanka.

The latter became real to the kids as our guest speaker at family camp was a missionary couple our church supports-Ted and Renate Rubesh. Renate showed powerpoint and helped us to see how the people of Sri Lanka live. Chathuri, a young girl from Sri Lanka, in our missionary story discovers the true meaning of Christmas after experiencing the devastating 2004 tsunami. Renate and Ted were in Sri Lanka during that Tsunami, but were inland in the mountains. The story the teens told was true and that little girl came to know Jesus in a refugee camp at a Good News Club. It was a special weekend showing the kids how God can protect you and His promises are true. Below are pictures of the teens and the kids. Also Renate and some of the kids playing with the kinetic sand and getting to know each other.





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**Friday, October 25th**  
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**God's Power: Escape from Egypt**  
**God the Deliverer**

**God Shows His Greatness to Pharoah**

**God Shows His Power Save**

**God Gives the Ten Commandments (Part 1)**

**God Gives the Ten Commandments (Part 2)**

**Moses's Song! Review Party**



*Hi, my name is Diego. I used to be a bad kid. I used to be in the principal's office almost every day. So I first came to Good News Club because my brother took me there. My mom suggested it. That's where you get to learn about God and Jesus and for all He's done. And now it's November and I got Student of the Month because God changed me. And that's why I suggest you should try signing up for Good News Club.*

— Diego  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Student