

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Chicago — *Summer 2026 Newsletter*

God's Provision

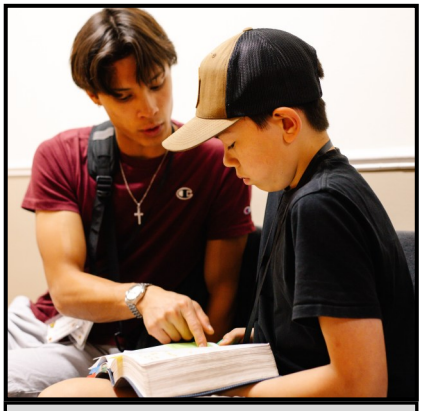
We are so blessed to have access to a huge facility once again that not only accommodates us for *CYIA*™ but even has room for future growth. When we were a few weeks out from *CYIA* starting, the director of the facility told us that with the rise in electrical costs, they were going to have to cut down on the air-conditioning, especially in the evenings/nights when we are the only ones in the building. So we prayed for cool weather. Wouldn't you know that God gave us the coolest weather imaginable for those two weeks and they never had to run the air-conditioning the whole time we were there! God provided 52 *CYIA*ers spanning the ages of 11-52, with nine "practice" clubs where 163 children were ministered to and 10 trusted Christ as Savior from sin. Throughout the summer, the *CYIA*ers taught 1015 children how they could have their lives turned around and begin a relationship with Jesus. Of those children attending, 92 talked to one of the teachers about how they could have their sins forgiven and have a relationship with God for themselves. Many other children sought out the teachers to answer spiritual questions they had and to ask for prayer for the difficult situations they found themselves in.



A *CYIA* intern teaching one of the training sessions



A group of *CYIA*ers studying their Bible lessons



A *CYIA* intern helping a first year student with his Bible lesson

We needed at least two summer interns to help drive teens from club to club throughout the summer, and God provided three! Hundreds of city miles were put on the *CEF*® vehicles, most with over 250,000 miles. Each vehicle needed expensive repairs to keep driving through the summer. We praise God for safety in all the driving and that none broke down on the highways while going to clubs. We are praying for God to now provide for these vehicle repair bills.



CEF vehicles, which all needed repairs to keep going through summer ministry



HUB Work Team In Action

God answered our prayers for having a work team come and paint the metal railings and stairs at the HUB, which is our building that houses some of our missionaries. The metal was being taken over by rust, which needed to be ground down and painted. The work team of 15 who came from Iowa were such a blessing! There is still MUCH more to do. If you know of a team who would like a work project, let us know.



A few of the work team painting



The LITers that made *CYIA* Possible!

We are also thankful for the 11 Leaders In Training we had this summer. With so few staff, they stepped in and did an incredible job. They did everything from helping with setup and registration to running the shop and leading the devotionals. They also served as group leaders during *CYIA* , and then for the rest of the summer they helped organize and lead teams as they went out and taught 62 5-Day Clubs. We could not have done this summer ministry without them.

CEF Chicago Opportunities

What: Childrens Ministry Conference
When: October 24th
Where: Christ Church of Oakbrook
Time: 8:30am—3:00pm
Cost: $25—Lunch is included!
More Info: You need to pre-register
-See flyer insert-

What: The Bourne Family Singers
When: October 17th
Where: Lombard Gospel Chapel
Time: 7:00pm
Cost: FREE
More Info: No registration required
-See flyer insert-

Please Pray For:

- New *Good News Club*® locations
- Volunteers who are willing to teach one-time Party Clubs and weekly Good News Clubs
- God to raise up year-long interns seeking to minister with *CEF*®
- *CYIAers* to keep their passion for the Lord and reaching the lost throughout this school year
- Finances to pay the summer interns, the gas for driving all over Chicagoland and for the vehicles' repairs and upkeep
- God to use the Children's Ministry Conference to be a blessing to many, equip the saints, and raise up volunteers

Available Staff/Intern Positions:

- Children's Ministry Specialist
- *CYIA* Coordinator
- Media Specialist
- Teen Mentor

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