

Vision Newsletter

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Summer Report

This summer, as always, was a great reminder of what God is able to do. By going online we had clubs across Canada and across the Ocean!

After a successful time of training, at the end of June, we sent the teams out to teach, not only in BC but in Ontario, Manitoba, Quebec, Jamaica, and Nigeria. Our Summer Missionaries travelled over 2 million virtual kilometers (think back and forth to the moon – twice!) and were able to have **over 900 children**, in over 70 clubs. It was fantastic to see and hear as the various teams reached out with the Gospel.

We are looking forward this fall to the open doors, both new and old, that exist for us to have programs with children. And, to work with so many amazing people on a week to week and seasonal basis. Thank you for your part in making this ministry successful. Please keep praying for the children in clubs from this summer and now as we go into the school year. Pray that many children would respond to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Testimony:

A supporter recently sent us a note that read:

“Thank you for having clubs in our town. 45 years ago, our son accepted Jesus at a club and consequently led all our family to the Lord, then went on to lead his wife and children and many others to Jesus. Praise God for clubs!”

CYIA Testimony:

“God taught me that whenever He wants to do His work, He’s going to do it no matter the obstacles or distractions out there.”

- Tolani, Manitoba

“God taught me that even when the world stops, He never stops. He still works in people’s lives.”

- Samantha, Ontario

“I did not expect to be teaching clubs in Jamaica... it was so awesome! God really transcends culture.”

- Magdalene, BC

“One girl kept asking if God was sad when we sinned. As soon as I said that when we tell God we are sorry for our sins, that He forgives us and that makes God happy, she right then and there said out loud, ‘God, I’m sorry!’”

- Marvel, Manitoba

Interview....

What an incredible opportunity God gave us this summer to minister to boys and girls across Canada and overseas. We asked CEFBC Provincial Director, Andrew Quin, and CEF Ontario Provincial Director, Ivhan Rusli, a few questions to share their perspective on this summer's online ministry.



What did you love most about this project?

Andrew: I liked the way we were able to collaborate across our provinces and to see how similar our views on ministry are. In BC we have a smaller staff, so to be able to work alongside a larger staff was a real encouragement to me.

Ivhan: There was a lot to love. I loved working with BC and seeing how our staff came together and “stepped up” for this new project. I loved seeing how committed the young people were to the ministry, and loved seeing how so many churches were still committed to sharing the gospel in the midst of a pandemic.

What are some of the challenges you faced?

Andrew: One of the challenges outside of our ability to control was the backdrop of uncertainty that the world had around us. We were working with folks that were uncertain about what they were doing with their churches or what kids' ministry would look like.

Ivhan: I'd have to agree with Andrew. So much was unknown and unclear from a ministry end, from a world's end. On top of that were the logistics of Zoom and making sure you think things through. You really don't know if you covered everything because there was no blue print. Thankfully, after the first week of ministry, when we asked the students if they felt we prepared them well enough, they unanimously said, “Yes, we felt prepared!”

Andrew: When I think back to the church info. sessions we hosted, it was surprising that the questions surrounded the logistics of the club, insurance, Zoom accounts, etc. things of that nature. Nothing to do with the program itself. It seemed people were very comfortable with the direction we were going with the program. I felt that at that point we were on the right track.

Were there any unexpected blessings?

Ivhan: To hear young people were crying at the end of the week because they were going to miss the kids, I don't think I expected them to be able to build that kind of connection virtually, but we heard that all summer long. And for God to open doors beyond our country and get to Nigeria and Jamaica was mind blowing.

Andrew: Those were unexpected blessings for sure. Having clubs in Jamaica and Africa, that blew my mind as well. This was opening up doors that if we were doing a traditional summer, we would never see that kind of response. This was a start of relationships with other parts of CEF that we otherwise would never connect with.

Did things go as well as you had hoped?

Ivhan: Things went better than I could have hoped for. We had no idea how many clubs or summer missionaries we'd have, but to see over sixty clubs, a few more missionaries than we needed and to get to places we never expected was really encouraging.

Andrew: I agree. If you asked me before the summer, I would have told you we were having clubs around BC or Ontario, but my brain never would have gone to overseas. To be able to say we had clubs in BC, Manitoba, Ontario, and Quebec, plus a couple other countries, that far exceeds what I had hoped for this summer.

Would you do it all again?

Andrew: Hearing from multiple sources how much the kids were enjoying the club, having great questions, thinking about the lessons, we saw how the teams were connected to each and the kids, I would do it in a heartbeat.

Ivhan: To hear some churches say, they wouldn't have done any summer ministry without their partnership with CEF, but were able to because we came alongside them...that's why we're here. As a ministry we want to support the local church in their ministry to boys and girls. So yes, without a doubt. Praise God for the success of this new and exciting endeavour!

Fall Ministry:

Inspired by this success we are not stopping there. We now turn our attention to the school year, and we see KidsZone! and Good News Club programs starting up. Are you Interested in learning about our online clubs for the fall or ways we have been adapting in-person clubs to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19?

Contact us at 604.576.7796 or email info@cefbc.com. We'd love to talk to you.



Finances:

This summer was unlike any we have seen before, but we were able to reach hundreds of kids, and we will continue to reach out to kids through out the school year. As always, there were increased expenses in the summer because of ministry and we have fall ministry just around the corner. Would you be willing to support the ministry of CEF in a financial way?

For those of you who are interested in supporting the ministries of CEF in a financial way, your options to give are:

1. By credit card through our website: www.cefbc.com
2. Call our office
3. Mail in a donation (using the attached response slip)

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CEF of BC Monthly Giving Program

Child Evangelism Fellowship "Monthly Ministry" Giving Program is an easy and convenient way to support outreach ministries on a regular basis. This ensures the support needed to continue programs such as Mailbox Club, Party Club, Good News Club, etc. without any financial hindrance. Commit your support today and help us offer the Good News to many unreached boys and girls in BC.

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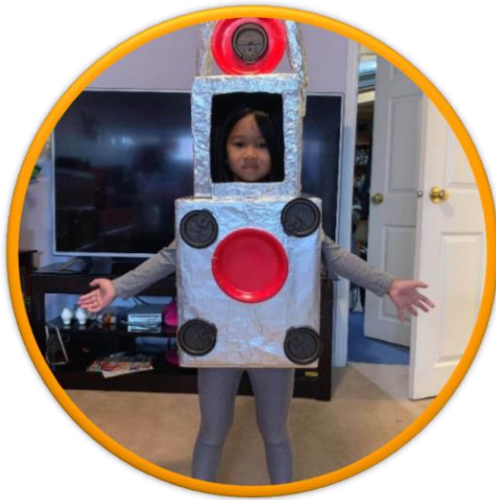
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Word on the Screens

“We appreciated the staff and dedication to presenting Jesus to these children... the children really appreciated and enjoyed it. Interestingly the child who would not show himself on camera, went online and completed ALL the extra activities available on the invent website. It made a big impact on him of having a new attitude and a new you.”

-Christine Goddard, Christian Fellowship Chapel Orillia, Ontario

“... We had a wonderful time. *A Warm Sunshine Thank You* is coming out of [our] Church to you and your team for the Vacation Bible School camp held last week. Please continue your work in helping to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to children all over the globe.”

-Pauline Jones, Olson Memorial Church Kingston, Jamaica

“Thank you again for helping us make VBS a reality here at DCAC this year. The time and effort on the part of CEF that went into making this happen for so many churches is so appreciated. Bless you all!”

-Michelle Johnson, Dawson Creek Alliance Church, British Columbia



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