

God is Using CEF to Change Lives

WE WANT EVERYONE CONNECTED WITH US TO FEEL LIKE A PART OF GOD'S FAMILY

"I have enjoyed the times of fellowship as we have prepared the mailing.

The staff go above and beyond in their kindness and generosity to us. We begin to think of them as family. Their love of God is evident in all they do as they strive to reach the lost and needy."

-Barbara Greer (mailing volunteer)

I have felt so blessed to be a part of this ministry. I strongly believe that reaching children with the gospel is one of the most important ministries there is. I am not an evangelist but CEF has allowed me to use my God given gift of serving to be a part of this vital ministry of reaching the children of Ontario with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

- Tressa Morgan (mailing volunteer)



**spring banquet
2016**

Two nights to choose from: Mon. June 6 or Tues. June 7
from 6:30-8:30pm

Come for great food, wonderful fellowship, encouraging reports and inspiring testimonies

Meals are complimentary

An opportunity will be given to those who wish to invest in the work of CEF Ontario

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CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP

Sharing Jesus with Ontario's Children

Volunteers, a Critical Part of God's Plan for CEF Ontario

Did you know that the province of Ontario accounts for forty percent of Canadians, is the second largest province in Canada in total area and has thirty-six school districts?

With such an enormous province and over two million children who don't know Jesus as their Savior our mission is great, but our God is greater.

To reach these children we have begun to build teams of volunteers in every school district of Ontario who will partner with the local church, build up God's people, and carry out the Great Commission.

In 1 Corinthians 12:4-5 (NLT) it says,

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service but we serve the same Lord."

Across Ontario we have an amazing team of staff and volunteers from all walks of life who use their spiritual gifts to reach children with the gospel. Responsibilities range from praying regularly, answering phone calls, stuffing envelopes, meeting with churches, hosting clubs speaking from the pulpit, and so much more.

We believe, that if properly trained, our volunteers can do anything a staff member can, and sometimes better.

We've only just begun to build area teams in the thirty-six school districts and need many more volunteers if we are going to make this happen.

Even though our volunteers don't get paid, we are dedicated to investing in the lives of our volunteers to help them be as effective as possible in their ministry to children. We believe in equipping and empowering our volunteers to do the work God has called them to.

We have seen a steady growth in our volunteers and our ministry to children, but also a growing financial need as well. Will you pray about giving generously to the ministry of CEF Ontario? All donations are valued and appreciated, and monthly donations help us plan ahead.

Please pray about joining our volunteer team or team of prayer partners.

Without your partnership this vital ministry to children would not be possible.

Let's share Jesus with Ontario's children together.

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Provincial Director



Is God calling you to share Jesus with Ontario's children?

By the Numbers

- 2 March Break Camps
- 3 Winter Weekend retreats for at risk kids
- 18 Staff serving with CEFOntario
- 18 Good News and Slingshot Clubs this past school year
- 33 volunteers for March Break Camps and Weekend retreats
- 96 children attended March Break Camps and Weekend Retreats
- 273 active volunteers in CEFOntario
- 2.2mil children in Ontario don't have a relationship with Jesus



There are wonderful testimonies in this newsletter from **our amazing volunteers!**

Some of the testimonies have been written by our mailing volunteers who prepare the bi-monthly newsletter you are reading, so it can be mailed out to approximately 1,300 people.

That's a lot of folding, stuffing, labeling and sealing envelopes!

The fellowship...the laughter & fun... praying over burdensand the love for one another are all so wonderful.

It has been a great joy for me to serve alongside this team of dedicated volunteers for the past six years and to call these Godly people my friends.

Working in the office has allowed me to meet hundreds of volunteers serving with CEF in various capacities, so when I was asked to consider the position of Volunteer Relations Manager, I thought, what a privilege...what a responsibility!

As I sought the Lord in prayer, He impressed upon my heart, the **URGENCY** for us to reach children with the gospel.

How long will we have the freedom to share Jesus with children in our communities?

15 years... 10 years...5 years...1 year?

In order to reach more children, we need more volunteers, simple...but true.

We need hundreds of volunteers to carry out His Great Commission. My friend Andrea says, "Camp cooks feed the children's stomachs, so the leaders can feed them spiritually".

No magic formulas or methods, just more people, called by God, who have an urgency in their heart, to take the gospel message to the children of Ontario.

Is God calling you or someone you know to be part of the CEFOntario team?

Contact me today at volunteer@cefontario.org or call 1-877-788-8233.

-Helen Rietberg (Volunteer Relations Manager)

"The past 4 years, I spent one to two weeks serving at Camp Good News Longlac. The weeks I spent in Northern Ontario challenged me, grounded me, and inspired me. The opportunity with CEF helped cultivate my heart for children. I am grateful I had the chance to serve alongside faithful servants and fierce prayer warriors."

-Volunteer Camp Director Joshua Wang

"Serving as a volunteer within the ministry of CEF has been a blessing for myself and my family. As we have served we have become aware of: the spiritual needs of children, the fun, laughter and challenges that come with working with children, the heart of compassion that CEF staff have toward those they minister to and with, and spiritual growth that takes place in the lives of those who volunteer. Since spiritually investing in the lives of children is an important part of fulfilling the Great Commission, may we each consider how God may be calling us to serve."

-Peter Lemont
(Pastor and CEFOntario Board Member)

"Words cannot express how thankful I am that you and your team let me volunteer as a counsellor and a camp nurse this weekend (February 19-21, 2016). It was such a great privilege to serve with Camp Good News."

The ministry and the people encouraged me knowing that most of them are very open to talk about their lives and their faith. I learned that having a simple "child like" heart of obedience will help me to see the miracles of God's love taking shape.

I really appreciate the trust that you've entitled me. I am looking forward to know more about what God has in store for me to continue to grow in this ministry. Honestly, I can't wait for another chance to serve with CEF Ontario again. My doors are always open and always ready to serve for God's Glory!"

-1st time volunteer Ivy Los Banos



"I started teaching a 'Teaching Children Effectively' course in Thunder Bay and around the area wherever there was interest. In one of those classes a lady suddenly burst out with 'You mean I don't have to use the manual? I can just do my own thing and tell the children from my own heart?' What joy to see understanding dawning on the faces of children and adults alike."

-Volunteer Joyce Dost (serving since the 1970's)

