

Welcome to the Third Monday “Evening School” Tele-Training hosted by Public Awareness Ministries ([PreserveLiberty.com](http://PreserveLiberty.com)). Many people of Judeo-Christian faith acknowledge that we’re in a spiritual and cultural war where life, marriage, and America’s Biblical foundation are under attack. But what can we do?

Together we’re building a standing army that’s “prayed-up” and “trained-up” to protect life, marriage, and America’s Biblical foundation in a loving Christlike manner. Please join us as we fight this war beginning on our knees with prayer together locally one consistent hour a month for our leaders, nation, and vital issues (I Tim. 2, II Chr. 7:14). It takes just **three minutes** to sign-up a new prayer group at the “[Prayed-Up](#)” link at [PreserveLiberty.com](http://PreserveLiberty.com). Free monthly prayer guides and training are provided, and a free webpage will be set-up for each local group that wants one. **Third Monday “Evening School” Tele-Trainings** provide “how-to” instruction from subject matter experts (please visit the “[Trained-Up](#)” link at [PreserveLiberty.com](http://PreserveLiberty.com)).

The first step of the three-step process of creating and sustaining liberty involves evangelism (John 8:32, 26; II Cor. 3:17), therefore, Public Awareness Ministries views Child Evangelism Fellowship’s evangelistic and discipleship work to be vitally important to the creation and preservation of liberty. Copies of these materials are available freely at the “[Trained-Up](#)” link at [PreserveLiberty.com](http://PreserveLiberty.com).

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## Child Evangelism Fellowship®

**Partnering  
With Churches**

**impacting your  
community  
for Christ!**



# Child Evangelism Fellowship three fold purpose is:

**EVANGELIZE**

boys and girls

**DISCIPLE**

them in the Word of God

**ESTABLISH**

them in the local church



**CEF**

CHILD EVANGELISM  
FELLOWSHIP

Since 1937

*Reaching children worldwide*

# HISTORY OF Child Evangelism Fellowship®



Jesse Irvin Overholtzer, founder of CEF®, was born in 1877 in the Sacramento Valley in California. Growing up in a religious family, at the age of 12, Jesse was convicted of his own sin and sought counsel from his mother. He was told he was too young. It wasn't until

Overholtzer was in college that he heard the Gospel and trusted Christ as his Savior.

Later as a pastor, Mr. Overholtzer realized children can be saved while he was reading one of Charles Spurgeon's sermons and searching the Scriptures. In 1937, at the age of 60, he began the ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc.

In those early years, children were taught in neighborhood Bible classes by volunteer teachers trained to reach children for Christ.

# **Reach the Children? Why**

**“Even so it is not the will of  
your Father which is in  
heaven, that one of these little  
ones should perish.**

**Matthew 18:14**

**“Suffer the little children  
to come unto me...”**

**Mark 10:14**

# Why Reach the Children?

## DAILY IN AMERICA

6 children commit suicide

13 children are homicide victims

5,753 children are arrested

Children's Defense Fund

A world map is centered on the image, rendered in white and light blue against a vibrant blue sky background. In the lower right corner, a person wearing an orange t-shirt and a grey cap is seen from behind, pointing their right hand towards the map. The overall scene conveys a sense of global reach and mission.

# ***Your Jerusalem***

**“You shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and even to the remotest part of the earth.” Acts 1:8 NASB**



- School prepares children to make a living, but it does not teach them how to live!
  - School prepares children for a time, but it leaves them unprepared for eternity!
- If national statistics hold true, 80% of the students are unchurched!



"God will open for us a door to speak the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ."  
Colossians 4:3

**It's not against the law to teach God's Word in public schools.**

*- U.S. Supreme Court ruling, 2001*





It is possible  
to take the  
Gospel directly  
into the public  
schools!

**Now is the time to turn their  
attention toward the Lord!**

85% of all Christians  
came to Christ  
before their 15<sup>th</sup>  
birthday

- Approximately 30%  
of the children  
would trust Christ  
for salvation if they  
were given the  
opportunity!



# Organizing a Committee

- **Organize a committee to adopt a neighborhood public elementary school.**
- **Begin to build relationships with the staff, students and parents by finding out what their needs are and meeting them.**
- **Establish a group willing to dedicate time once a week to pray for you, volunteers and the school on a regular basis.**

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# Preparation

- **We have three strategic steps to evangelizing, discipling and establishing children and their families in a local church. They are:**
- **Training**
- **Tools**
- **Team**

# Training:

- CEF® offers Super Seminars.  
Half day or full day training seminars that can take place at the local CEF® office or local church.  
Suggested Sessions offered; Understanding the Message of Salvation  
Guiding the Child to the Savior  
Life Changing Evangelistic Bible Lessons  
(Note: Contact your Local CEF Director for a complete list of seminars offered.)
- CEF® offers College Level Courses:  
Teaching Children Effectively™ Level 1 and 2  
CEF® Headquarters offers Children's Ministry Institute®  
(Check their website [cefonline.com](http://cefonline.com) for more information)
- NOTE: Google CEF® or Child Evangelism Fellowship® websites for information about training in your local area.

# Tools:

- Child Evangelism Fellowship® has an array of materials that will take a Good News Club® through the Bible in Five Years.
- Check the online store at [cefonline.com](http://cefonline.com) for the cost of materials.
- Check your local CEF® Office for materials they may offer for sale.
- Pick up a free catalog from your local director.

# Teams

- **Prayer Team:** Ephesians 6:18

- And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

- Gather a group of **at least** 3-5 people who are willing to pray for you and your Good News Club® weekly. Send your prayer group email updates or call them weekly to let them know to pray.

- **Team Volunteers Needed!**

- To start a Good News Club® in your local elementary school you must have at least two volunteers who have been approved through our CEF® Child Protection Policy to start a club. Attend a training class with fellow volunteers.

- Paperwork and background check information will be provided by the local director. All paperwork must be filled out and background checks completed before club starts.

- Arrange to meet with the local director, Superintendent of Schools, Principal.

- Establish the paperwork needed to start a Good News Club®, rules and school regulations that need to be followed. Proceed with filling out the proper paperwork and invitations once dates and time of the club is determined.

- Set up a time for training sessions and monthly or quarterly team meetings.

# Purchase Curriculum

- We rotate curriculum on a five year cycle for Good News Clubs<sup>®</sup>.
- Recommended Materials for a successful Good News Club<sup>®</sup>
  - Lesson Text
  - Visuals
  - Resource Packet
  - At Least 2-3 Song visuals
  - Good News Club<sup>®</sup> Songs CD
    - Prizes

Will *you* faithfully  
pray about getting  
involved in the  
ministry of  
Good News Clubs?



# Ways that you can be involved

- Start a Prayer Team
- Train to become a Teacher or Helper in a Good News Club<sup>®</sup>
- Volunteer to be a host home for a Summer 5 Day Club<sup>®</sup>
- Become a Committee member of your local CEF<sup>®</sup> Chapter
- Donate to the Ministry



# Resources

- [cefonline.com](http://cefonline.com)
- [cefsacramento.com](http://cefsacramento.com)
- *Children's Ministry Resource Bible*