

Footsteps ... leaving an imprint

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All Accounted for and Safe in Haiti

When we sent out the **last newsletter**, we were getting the latest breaking news from our workers in Haiti. We did not yet know if all of our workers were safe. Since then, the Regional Office has heard from all workers. Two were hurt and needed medical care, but they are all safe and are now busy telling the children about the Lord Jesus.

Over the weeks, they have sent out messages as **new information** was available. They found three people to do the translation of the "Wonder Why?" booklets (explaining why disasters happen) and decided to print 50,000 copies of the booklet, along with another 50,000 copies of the "Wonder Book," a 64-page book that clearly explains the message of salvation. They are now praying for \$55,000 to pay for these booklets. **Will you help get this out?** It's time to spread the news while people are open and ready to hear the gospel. (See testimony on page 2 under Letters.) **Breaking News: The booklets are printed and should be shipped by late March.**

On Haiti's only golf course, 40,000 people are camped out. The CEF workers see the spiritual needs of the many children and are working constantly to tell them the message of the Lord Jesus. **Please pray** for strength and safety as they fight spiritual as well as physical battles.

Money has been raised to help the CEF workers with many physical needs. Tents and solar-powered lights were ordered and they were praying that they would arrive before the rains, which began early in March. One **prayer request** is that Haiti does not have any hurricanes this year. The regular rains already bring floods and with everyone living in tents, a hurricane would bring more disaster.

Spiritual Needs in Alberta are Just as Great

As we consider the needs of the children in Haiti, we need to remember that the children of Alberta are just as needy spiritually as the many children in Haiti. They have their physical needs met, but many do not know that Jesus is more than a swear word. **Please pray** for people to go out this summer to tell the children about the Lord Jesus. **Pray** for churches to book teams for the children in their areas. **Pray** that the children will come out to the programs so they can hear and respond.

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Haitians sleeping outside

Although we at CEF of Alberta are not able to take donations for the Haiti project, CEF of Canada does have a project fund set up for this. If you would like to help out with this, please make your cheque out to CEF of Canada, designating it for "Wonder Why" books for Haiti and send it to the following address:

CEF of Canada
PO Box 165 Station Main
Winnipeg MB R3C 2G9
Or call:
(866)943-2774

Keeping Busy In Edmonton

Annette Wilcox

The last few months have been busy with:

- cleaning up a backlog of office work from when I was away for 3 ½ months
- support raising (Need \$2,000/month – Raised 17% of that)
- taking a computer course
- presentation to a church
- presentation to a prayer group
- helping to teach Teaching Children Effectively course in Calgary
 - * Students are planning on starting a Good News Club
- contacting people
- promoting Summer Missions
 - * One student interested in Summer Missions
- helping at a weekly Girl's Club with some responses
- Lining up summer 5-Day Clubs
 - * Two clubs booked for the summer
- One church interested in a party club

More Than Office Work

Marlene Adrian

Office work is important, but it has been good to get out of the office at times this winter.

Going to Calgary for three weekends to teach the TCE course gave me a chance to get back into the classroom. That **renewed my passion** to train others to teach children. One student emailed me after the class was over and asked how to work out the teaching for the Good Samaritan. I gave her some guidance and later she told me that a child responded to the invitation when she presented the message of salvation in her Sunday School class. Another couple from the class is getting ready to start their Good News Club in Olds April 13.

I am also working on **plans to be able to teach** the TCE course again at Prairie. I used to teach in the college, but the course was dropped from the schedule. I have been talking with someone at PCAAT and we would like to put it in the Early Childhood program. Pray for wisdom.

Letters...

"Marlene,

This month's newsletter has hit close to home and I just wanted to say thank you for the work that goes into making them and for keeping me updated on the happenings of CEF Alberta. It was really neat to hear about the "Do you Wonder Why?" books and how they are being translated into Creole. I was in Haiti when the earthquake happened and I know firsthand the great need that is there. I think back to sharing with the kids about those books a few years ago, but the reality of the importance of those books didn't really hit me until now. God Bless you and your ministry and I will be praying for your missionaries in Haiti. I am home safe and sound, but my heart is still in Haiti!"

In Christ,

Jenna Holley (summer missionary 2008)



TCE Class-Josh, Marjorie, Annette, Josh, Rachele, Marlene



Core Values

Prayer
Bible Based
Evangelism/Discipleship
Family/Child Focused
Leadership Development
Excellence
Accountability
Fellowship with the body of Christ

Who we are...

Marlene Adrian-Office Administrator/
Director of Training & Education

Rahul Massey-Director of Marketing,
Development & Operations

Peter Mierau-Child & Family
Evangelism Coordinator

Annette Wilcox-Edmonton Area
Director

Mari Isaacson-Special Minister to
Children

Judy Canfield-Volunteer Bookkeeper

Teens

God can use you this summer!

- Raise support to cover salary
- Travel around Alberta
- Work with other teens
- Tell children how they can have a friendship with Jesus.

www.summermissions.ca

Money Matters ...

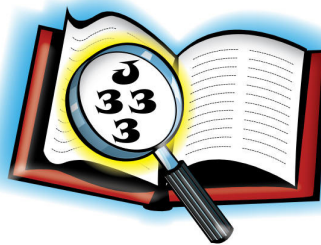
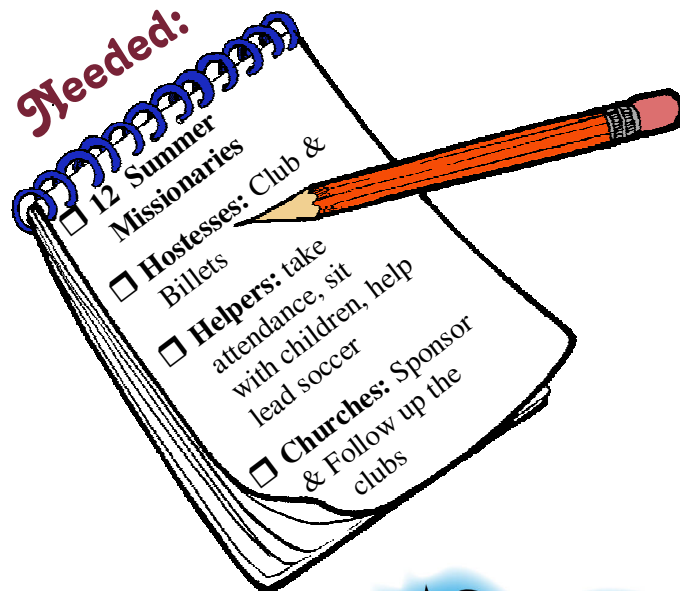
Here are some ways you can **help out** with current needs:

- Multi-media Projector for Edmonton area and remote controls
- All staff need to increase their support levels
 - Marlene Adrian
 - Mari Isaacson
 - Rahul Massey
 - Peter Mierau
 - Annette Wilcox
- Help sponsor a club for this summer: \$150.00
- General Ministries
 - Postage: \$250.00/month
 - Phone: \$110.00/month

Reach Your Neighbourhood

Kids need to know the Saviour and summer is the best time to reach out to them. Help reach them through **Back Yard Clubs, Soccer Clubs, VBS, or Day Camps**. All are designed to find the kids where they are and teach them the gospel while having a great time together. **They can meet in** a back yard with an emphasis on games, in a church, with a craft emphasis or on a soccer field, with an emphasis on soccer. All have the same teaching time and the gospel is presented each day. How about combining all 3 into a day camp and have a team of summer missionaries spend the whole day with the children? Whatever the package, the children have fun and learn great truths from God's Word. More importantly, the gospel is presented daily.

Needed:



Pastor Special

- Detect your keen young (or older) people—15 & up
- Send them to CEF for training July 4-16
- Encourage them to work with CEF for 2-6 weeks
- We send them back **trained, experienced and burdened** to work with children in your church.

Christian Youth In Action

(Summer Training Week)

- **July 4-10:** Training in Three Hills, AB
 - * How to Lead a Child to Christ
 - * How to Teach a Memory Verse
 - * How to Teach a Bible Lesson
 - * How to teach Music to Children
 - * Discipline
- **July 12-16:** Practice clubs with real children
- **July 19-Aug 20:** Teaching clubs throughout AB

2010
Summer
Theme:

One Way
Mysteries



Around the World in 80 Years

This has been the **theme** of CEF for the past several years as we approach our 80th anniversary in 2017. We want to have a work established in every country of the world. We are specifically targeting certain countries and praying for ways to get into those countries. We are now up to 167 countries, with new works in Asia, South Pacific and Africa. A **new target** country in our region of North America and the Caribbean is the Cayman Islands. This opportunity developed when we stopped there during the Regional Conference cruise. Since then, Bev Huff and Janet Snyder have had opportunity to do some teacher training in the churches there. 📍



The goal is to reach every child

Training Produces Clubs

In January and February, Marlene, Annette and Brenda Hanson taught a Teaching Children Effectively course in Calgary. There were **four students** who were excited about learning how to teach children. The students are now working on using the things they learned in actual children's ministry. One couple is planning to start a Good News Club on April 13 in Olds. **Pray** that it will be an effective outreach into the community and that children will hear the message of salvation and respond to the invitation. 📍

Job Opportunity

Provincial Director needed for CEF of Alberta. Check the website or call the office for more information.



Globe in CEF's central square

Answer to Prayer... A New Worker Coming

We have been praying for over a year that **Mari Isaacson** would be able to get her visa to work in Canada. In February, she received her passport back from the Canadian Consulate, along with a letter, telling her that she has been approved for her work visa. Praise the Lord!

At this point, she still does not have enough support to move here, so the plans for the moment are to come in June, be involved in the summer training, go out as a summer missionary, and then if her support is in, she will go home to Oregon to pick up her things and come back to Edmonton to work with Annette. If she needs to raise more support, she will go home to continue to work on that. **Please pray** that her support comes in quickly, now that her visa has arrived and she is allowed to come work here. 📍

He's Off & Running!

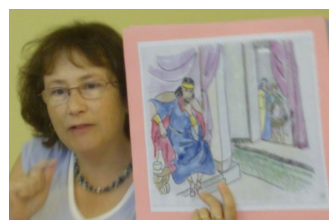
Peter Mierau has been working on his training at the Children's Ministries Institute for several years. He took every course possible here in Canada, but now has gone to Warrenton, Missouri, to finish the last five weeks. This is the Leadership Development part of the program and includes:

- ⇒ Distinctives of CEF
- ⇒ Ministry Strategy and Development
- ⇒ Leadership Essentials

Graduation Day is April 16, when Peter will be finished and ready to head back home.

Praise the Lord that an anonymous donation was given to finish off the amount that was needed to cover the costs of the course.

Pray for Peter as he sits in class all day and then works on reading and writing papers in the evenings. He is very diligent and will put his all into it, while at the same time, enjoying learning and his interactions with people. 📍



Mari will focus on reaching children.

Provincial Director Resigns

Elias Munshya resigned from the position of Provincial Director as of February 28, 2010. He cited personal reasons and is now looking for another position. **Please pray** for him as he seeks to be an effective leader in his home and his service to the Lord. **Jerry Hanson, the National Director, will be acting as Provincial Director until we hire someone for the position.** 📍