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## Capital Country Courier

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## OPEN HOUSE TURN OUT



Thank you to everyone who visited our new training center and office in Martindale on March 23rd!!! We enjoyed sharing with you what God has been doing through CEF® and thankful for each of you who are already involved in His Kingdom work. All of us were encouraged by the interest shown in the ministry!

## SPECIAL EVENT IN SAN MARCOS

On Sunday, April 5, the Stroms and Erin visited Grace Fellowship in San Marcos for a special event. This church stepped out in faith this past school year and adopted Hernandez Intermediate as their own Good News Club®. During the church service, pictures were shown of the children in the Good News Club® and Becky Mitchell, the GNC™ teacher, shared about the great ways God has been at work in the lives of the children.

Certificates were presented to the church as a whole and to each volunteer in the Good News Club® to show appreciation for their significant work in God's Kingdom. We see the faithfulness of the Father in providing workers that deeply love Him to teach at this particular school each week (not an easy task!). The volunteers from Grace Fellowship are: Becky Mitchell, Joanna Mitchell, Neely Mitchell, Leta Mitchell, John Mitchell, and Loius Gervais.

Praise God that 13 to 20 5th and 6th graders are growing in their relationship with Jesus because there is a Good News Club® AT THEIR SCHOOL!!!

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## RECENT ACTIVITY AROUND THE CAPITAL COUNTRY



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## DON'T DOUBT GOD'S ABILITY

We often ask our Creator God to do God-sized things in our lives and in the lives of others... but yet we can still be surprised when He does them!

On Thursday, April 23, God did HIS amazing work in the heart of a preschooler named Joseph. This little boy had often come to talk with me in weeks past but did not understand his personal sin. However, this day at the daycare was different because on this day Joseph understood and believed on Jesus as his Savior.

When I asked him who had sinned he answered, "Me, and it keeps me away from God but not anymore!" With great emphasis and a huge smile he said, "Jesus died for me and rose again!"

I do not think I have ever witnessed a child as joyful or confident about being in "God's forever family", as we call it.

It is said, "If you doubt the child's ability to communicate with God, do not doubt God's ability to communicate with the child."

This is the first salvation at this daycare center this school year. To God be the glory! Please pray Colossians 1:9-12 over Joseph and for all of the children who put their faith in Jesus as Savior this year.

One day, you will meet them.

## YESTERFEST A BIG SUCCESS!

On Saturday, April 25th, Ken and Donna manned a table to give out Wordless Book Bead Bracelets along with a Mini Wordless Book tract that explained all of the colors on the bracelet. We had kids and adults stop by to receive this free gift. One adult couple was told that the bead bracelet told a true story from the Bible. They immediately said they wanted the story told to them. No decisions took place but they both said they wanted to read the material we handed them and think more about it. We gave out 165 bead bracelets during the period from 9 AM to 3 PM. Praise the Lord that many seeds were planted.

## LONG TIME GNC™ TEACHER STEPPING DOWN

After 40 years of teaching a Good News Club® in an East Austin Missions Church, Catherine Bebee will no longer be able to continue her work for the Lord due to health reasons. We are saddened to lose a lady who has faithfully shared the Gospel with boys and girls for these many years. Please pray that God would restore Catherine to full health.

## CHRISTIAN YOUTH IN ACTION® TIME!!!

It is that special time of year where Jr. Highers and Highschool students are ready to be trained to teach children in 5-Day Clubs®!

A few church youth groups in the Capital Country Chapter will be receiving the CYIA™ training very soon. These youth are looking forward to what God will do through them this summer... and as their trainers, so are we!!!

There will be two CYIA™ trainings this summer. Would you please pray for these youth as they go through the training? Ask God to make them usable to Him, give them a heart for the lost, and that this training would give them boldness, confidence, and passion for giving the gospel.

Also be in prayer for all of those teaching the trainings, that Jesus would guide every word and that all would be presented with clarity.

If you or someone you know would be interested in the CYIA™ Training, please contact Erin Watson at (512) 227-1900 or erin\_cef@yahoo.com.

### **CYIA™ Training Dates: First Baptist Church in Kyle**

June 1st (Monday from 9 am - 4 pm)

June 2nd (Tuesday from 9 am - 4 pm)



### **CYIA™ Training Dates for other churches or individuals: CEF® Training Center and Office**

June 6th (Saturday from 9 am - 4 pm)

June 13th (Saturday from 9 am - 4 pm)

## 161 NEW CHILDREN OF GOD!!

Can you imagine the celebration going on in Heaven over the salvation of these children? I wish that each one of you reading this could see the change God has brought about in the lives of these new believers this 2008/2009 school year. Praise the Savior for all He has done, is doing, and will do in these children!

If you were to ask any of these 161 children if they know Jesus, I am certain they would tell you what they have joyfully told me, "I'm God's child."

Thank you to all of you who pray for these children and for all of the teachers who labor to teach them. Thank you for being a significant part of His kingdom work.

"The Spirit Himself testifies with our Spirit that we are children of God..." - Romans 8:16

"See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are..." - 1 John 3:1a