

# A Word From The West

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***But God who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Ephesians 2:4-6***

Christ has been raised far above all principality and power (Eph.1:20-21). Now we, who are in Him, are raised to sit with Him! We have been raised above all those unseen powers that we are to war against in Eph. 6:12!

Our position has been accomplished for us. We are responsible to be fully armed and praying with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit. Eph. 6:10-18

For this reason, we set aside specific times of prayer. You are invited to pray with us on March 26 at our Prayer Day. We will meet from 10:00 am till 3:00 pm at Christian Life Fellowship in Chelsea. By prayer we will seek God's blessing on His work and seek victories over the enemy who holds the children in darkness.

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Some things to take before the Throne...Pray for victories in the hearts of children—

1. At Good News Club on Thursdays at Hartford Sumner School.
2. At GNC on Saturdays at South Paris Baptist Church during February.
3. At Bible Time in 2 groups at Bean's Corner Baptist Church, Wednesdays.
4. At Bible Time at Oxford Hills Christian School, Fridays.
5. At Winter Fun Day at Camp Good News, Feb. 12.
6. Some of our children are enrolled in Mail Box Club.



Connect with the YouTube channel U-Nite at the Web address below.

CEF has prepared many videos, songs and adventures for kids to enjoy as they gain God's truth at U-Nite. We hope you will be able to pass this information on to a child.

U-Nite is CEF's new Youtube channel for kids.

It's all about uniting kids with the Gospel. Find U-Nite at:

[Youtube.com/unitekids](https://www.youtube.com/unitekids)



# Is the Light on in your neighborhood?

Brightly beams our Father's mercy from His lighthouse evermore;  
But to us He gives the keeping of the lights along the shore.  
Let the lower lights be burning! Send a gleam across the wave!  
Some poor fainting, struggling seaman, you may rescue, you may save.

These were words often sung at my church in childhood. The vision of a Christian home being one of the 'lower lights' sending a gleam across the neighborhood was strongly impressed on us.

Last evening I visited with a friend outside of our Western Maine area. She with her husband do Good News Club for 5 children in their home. Club is kept simple, only for one hour and the children range in age from 6 to 10 years.

This couple are into retirement years but are concerned for these children who have no other opportunity to learn about God and how to know Him. The 10 year old young man sits quietly and absorbs every word. The younger ones are very active and one might wonder if they are listening. But here are the questions of the 6 year old, "If God didn't want Adam and Eve to eat from that tree, why did He put it there?" And "If Jesus died to conquer sin and death, why is there still sin?"

Now these children would never have asked these questions before December 2021. They knew nothing of Genesis chapters 1-3 or about God's answer to the problem of sin through Jesus death and resurrection. These children are hearing every week what it means to believe in Jesus as their Savior from sin and death. We pray that each of these young ones will put their faith in our Savior before the end of the club season in April.

How wonderful to know a gleam of Gospel light is shining from the home of my friends into their neighborhood. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have Gospel light shining in all our Western Maine neighborhoods? We in CEF are here to help that happen; call on us if we can help.

## **Here are some examples of how God is working in the Good News Clubs in our area.**

The LIGHT shone from the Sampson home which was part of military housing and children were everywhere and in every home. Good News Club was started and in order to accommodate as many children as wanted to come, every week some of the furniture was removed from the living-room so the children could sit on the floor. Over a period of a few weeks the whole atmosphere of the housing area changed. Fewer loud fights, not so much destruction of property; people noticed. What happened? The power of the Gospel was at work and it spread from children right into homes.

Good News Club began in a Christian home in the neighborhood. The children loved it and one of the mothers was won to the Lord during the first year club was held. The next year our hostess had to go to work, what could be done about Good News Club? That was easy – the new Christian said, “Come to my house.” The children enjoyed club and were learning more each week, but not just the children. The husband and father in the home began to purposely get home from work in time to hear the Bible lesson. Before that year was done he also became a believer.

### **Good News Club has a lasting impact**

Thirty three year ago at the age of 10 I was invited to a Good News Club. I lived in a non-Christian home and was not allowed to go back to club. But my one time there in a very little house with love and cookies, I received Christ and never walked away from Him. I went to Bible college and have served the Lord among children for the past 25 years.

My mother screamed, “Lisa, call the cops!” “You do and I’ll kill you,” was my dad’s quick reply. This was just one of hundreds of nights of fighting. My mother was as abusive as my father. They would kick, punch, hit, shove and throw hot stew or coffee at each other. My siblings and I never discussed it., Those outside our home thought we were a happy family. I would go to my closet and cry out to God. I didn’t know Him very well, as we didn’t go to church. But when I was in first grade I had learned about God at a house across the street from my school. They would tell us stories from the Bible and I remember the day I accepted Christ as my Savior. I skipped all the way home that day! I was so excited! I knew my life was different. I knew He was there. I didn’t know much but I knew that. - End of the story, Lisa as an adult found her way into a church and learned what a Christian life should be. She was even able many years later to discover it was a Good News Club where she had learned to trust in Jesus.