



## CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA, INC.

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Dear Friend,

One of the most exciting times of our ministry year is unfolding this month. June is the month when Summer Missionary Training School is held, and when we will finally know what the missionary team will look like for the summer season of ministry. It is exciting because no one knows the precise makeup of the team beforehand but God Himself. We have prayed, we have worked at recruiting, we have planned, and now, by God's grace, we can reveal to you what God's missionary team for Philadelphia will actually look like!

Christa Thomas is a senior at Liberty University who calls Indian Trails, NC, home. She is majoring in Elementary Education and in her personal testimony she writes, *"I am excited to have the opportunity to intern with CEF in Philadelphia because I know that God will stretch and grow me and I will have many chances to make an impact for His Kingdom. I know how important it is to reach children with the Gospel and I feel that serving with CEF of Eastern PA is how I am fulfilling God's calling on my life."*



Lucas and Topa Quiroz are returnees, who come to us from Bolivia, South America. They both also attend Pensacola Christian College in Florida. This brother and sister have served previously in Philadelphia and are familiar with the joys and challenges of working in this great mission field. The US Census reports that 1.58 million people live in Philadelphia, one third of those are children. Having Lucas and Topa come back as experienced missionaries helps the whole team to quickly adapt to missions work in the city, and be more effective and efficient right from the start. We are thankful they chose to serve here, again!

Marissa Potter, from Summerville, SC, is also back for a third year. Marissa first prayed to receive Christ as a five-year-old, with her mother's counsel. She says that the Lord has, *"... burdened her to share the Gospel more,"* and that is what led to her three-year working relationship with CEF of E. PA. We are delighted to have Marissa back as part of the team. She is a faithful and consistent evangelist whose experience will add significant maturity to this year's team.



Cami Roldin Hernandez was unable to join us last year, but she is a "returnee" from a prior year's ministry with CEF of E. PA. I'm sure you are counting and have picked up that Cami would be our fourth returnee, some with more than one year of service with us, working in Philadelphia. Isn't God good to send us so many young people with prior experience in missions work in Philadelphia? Cami is from Columbia, South America. We are excited to have Cami back, but wait until the children, who had Miss Cami as a teacher a few years ago, see her again! They will be thrilled.

Often times there is an international component to our missionary team. Through the years, God normally sends us a married couple or a handful of single missionaries from a different region of the world to attend Summer Missionary Training School and receive the instruction needed to reach children with the Gospel as well as train others to do the same. Missionaries from the USA, who are getting ready to move to a foreign country, as well as missionaries from other countries who have heard about our training, have come to learn and study this method of teaching God's Word to the children.

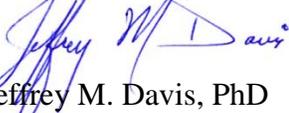
For the past few years, God has brought several potential missionaries from Burma (Myanmar). This year, Cing Sian Kim, a 28 years old teacher in a Christian school who wants to, "...share God's love to different ages of children" so they won't wait until later in life to become Christians, will be joining us. Another is Kap Tung Thang, a pastor in Burma (Myanmar). He earned his Masters of Theology in 2012. He, too, has heard about the quality of the training received at Summer Missionary Training School in Eastern PA, and following in the footsteps of some of the others who have graduated, he wants to get this training for himself.

Can you imagine what the Lord might do with a handful of dedicated workers in Burma who are graduates of a training program like this, focused on reaching children with the Gospel? Yes . . . this IS one of the most exciting times of our ministry year. And you can help.

Please be in prayer for Summer Missionary Training School which meets from June 9<sup>th</sup> through graduation on Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pray for the instructors, the serious focus of the students on the curriculum, and for the safety of staff and students as this training unfolds. Secondly, would you ask God to help us financially? For the grouping of missionaries we have this year, it will take about \$60,000 to fund their summer of ministry. That includes their two weeks of training, and six weeks of work in the neighborhoods of Philadelphia. Funds are needed for food, transportation, insurance, utilities in the missionary headquarters, materials for clubs and the Good News Day Camp, plus a small honorarium for their service to the Lord.

Thank you for praying with us, and for your consideration of this large financial need. The summer is here! Training School will convene in just one week, and we are grateful for your partnership in bringing the Gospel message to the children across our state. May God add His blessing to your prayers and gifts!

For the children,



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