



# Child Evangelism Fellowship of Saskatchewan

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## Have You Ever Stood in the Bottom of the Jordan?

Dear Friends,

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In the June letter I wrote about being at the water's edge preparing to take a step of faith in anticipation of what God might do! This past week I began to wonder what it must have been like to be standing in the bottom of the Jordan. I am sure that day there was many who thought, "We better get through here in a hurry; the waves could all come crashing down at any time." But then there must have been others who just stood and watched in absolute awe of what God had done as the water stood straight up as if held back by a large sheet of glass. Have you ever seen people who have witnessed God do something absolutely amazing and then said, "Wow! That was lucky!" Maybe they didn't even acknowledge what God had done, or even worse they took God's glory! **I want to be with those who stood in awe of what God has done and gave Him all the glory!**

In many ways this summer has been just like that, standing in the bottom of the Jordan in absolute awe! God has done so much this summer it is hard to know where to begin.

Do I tell you . . .

. . . of His provision of **21 CYIA workers** who have blanketed the province with the gospel and the 11 government grants we received this summer?

. . . about the young man named Leon on Quill Lake Reserve, an unscheduled club at the beginning of the summer. God used this young man to gather the children from all over the reserve to sit in the 5-Day Club and, as he watched Josh begin to teach, he said, "**I was in a club like this many years ago. There was a lady, Mrs. Currie, who had a club just like this when I was a boy.**" Mrs. Currie has gone Home to Heaven now but God continues to use her faithfulness years later to open a door on Yellow Quill Reserve.

. . . about the children in Pennant who were known to be the town troublemakers but have accepted Jesus as their Saviour, and the lady from the community that went to the family who hosted clubs the last few years and said, "**Whatever you have had in the garage in the summer has changed those kids. I have seen it for myself that those kids have changed.**"

. . . about the note we received in the mail with one of the lessons?

**"Hey Kim and Deren!**

**"I asked Jesus in my heart but I don't know he said yes or not!"**

**From V.**

. . . about the child's **grandma who attended club this week and asked Jesus in her heart** or the hundreds of children who are attending 5-Day Clubs on reserves all across Saskatchewan? Do I tell you about the phone calls from reserves already asking us if we would come back next year?

. . . about the **159 5-Day Clubs** that have already been taught in the first 3 weeks in **68 communities** across Saskatchewan of which **25 are new this year!** There have already been **2,231 children** who have attended and of these children **46% say that they do not go to church or Sunday school.** There have already been **125 children who have accepted Jesus as their Saviour** in the first 3 weeks!

The summer is not over and new stories come in every day from the CYIA workers all across Saskatchewan. If you would like to read what they are saying go to [cefsask.org](http://cefsask.org) and click on **CYIA** and then click on **CYIA summer blog** and then you too can stand in awe of all God is doing in the lives of boys and girls across Saskatchewan, including at least one grandma!

This week we are having a club in Stanley Mission which is about 45 minutes north of La Ronge. Jennifer Sanderson has helped organize this club and told me that she knows of no Christians in this community but she is willing to go. When I asked her about going her response was, **“They need to hear this!”**

Preparations for the fall are in full swing and God continues to open up more doors for **Club DJ.** It is always exciting to see God at work and, just like those who stood in the bottom of the Jordan; I stand in awe of what God has already done in this area of ministry. Yesterday I was on the phone with someone from a church in Ontario who has looked at the program, is thrilled with what they see, and are planning to start up **Club DJ** in their church. It will be the first church in Ontario!

On **September 5<sup>th</sup>** we will be in B.C. with a **Club DJ** workshop as we partner with Child Evangelism Fellowship of B.C. with the **Club DJ** program. Then on **September 8<sup>th</sup>** we will be in Alberta with another workshop as we begin the same partnership with Child Evangelism Fellowship of Alberta. We will be hosting a **Club DJ** fall workshop in Regina on **September 15<sup>th</sup>** and it is very exciting to hear of the strong interest from churches in attending these workshops here. Please pray for this area of ministry as we finish preparing for the fall.

I am sure those who passed through the Jordan were talking about what God had done for days and weeks afterwards! God’s faithfulness on that day helped them know that He would be with them in the days ahead. I trust you are excited about our God! We serve an awesome God who proves His faithfulness day after day. My prayer is that just like those who stood in the bottom of the Jordan in absolute awe that day of all God had done that we too would also be standing in awe of all God has done this past summer.

On August 25<sup>th</sup> we will be having our **“Welcome Home”** with the CYIA workers as they return from all over the province to Regina. **It will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Bethany Gospel Chapel, 1850 Parker Avenue, Regina.** We would love to have you join us and hear what God has done as they share about where God took them this summer. Together we will stand in awe of all God has done this summer.

We want to thank each one of you for your part in this ministry to children. It is such a blessing to work together with you in this ministry. We serve an awesome God and **there is no better place to be than standing in the bottom of the Jordan when He is there with us.** Please pray for this ministry to children and the CYIA as they complete their travels across this province sharing the good news with boys and girls. Together we will give Him all the honor and all the glory!

For the sake of the children,



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