



2023 CYIA APPLICATION June 12-23

Dear CYIA Candidate,

Thank you for applying for our summer training program ***Christian Youth in Action***! CYIA can be life-changing and help you grow closer to God. As a student, you will learn how to:

- Present the Gospel of Jesus Christ to children
- Organize and teach a Bible club for children
- Work with a team as you serve God

CYIA is for teens 13-19 who have been believers in Christ for at least one year and who want to serve God, taking the gospel to children. Please read through this application carefully and share it with your parents.

All students need to read CEF's Statement of Faith and sign our Worker's Compliance Agreement. **New students** need to complete a separate screening form that we will provide.

After you have completed this application, please send it to either your chapter office or to the state office. You can scan and email or send by regular mail (USPS) or hand-deliver. Another option is to complete the online application at www.cefwesttexas.com/cyia. **The application fee of \$30 needs to accompany your completed application.**

DEADLINES: April 1 → for those who will raise funds and be paid
April 20 → for those who will volunteer as summer missionaries

Three Parts of Christian Youth in Action Training:

- **Pre-Training** – You must participate in the pre-training in your chapter area in May and early June. We will also have some reading for you to complete before going on to the next part of training.
- **Preparing Together** – All WTX students and leaders will meet in Levelland, Texas June 12-17 at South Plains College. There will be classes, discussion groups, practicums, and fun activities.
- **Practice Club Week** – Students will teach practice 5-Day Clubs in their chapter area June 19-23 and will be evaluated.

After completing all three parts of the training, students are asked to continue teaching 5-Day Clubs during the summer. Please discuss with your chapter director. We want you to use what you learned and reach more children who need to hear about Jesus.

If you are part of CYIA this summer, I know it will be a wonderful experience for you. Please call or text me at 940-781-0899 if you have any questions.

May God bless you as you serve!

Janet Johnson, State Director West Texas



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Christian Youth in Action

Child Evangelism Fellowship of West Texas

Pre-Training in May & early June / June 12-17 in Levelland / June 19-23 in Chapter Area

CYIA Schedule & Training Locations:

May & June – Local Chapters will schedule pre-training to help students prepare for next part of training.

Mon., 6/12 – Sat., 6/17 – Training at South Plains College in Levelland will start with dinner Monday evening; and travel back home Saturday afternoon.

Sun., 6/18 – Break and final prep for Monday, 6/19 clubs.

Mon., 6/19-Fri., 6/23 – Students will teach practice 5-Day Clubs in Chapter area.

Today's date _____

Your Name _____

Your Age _____ Date of Birth _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Your phone# (if you have one) _____

Best way to contact you: (circle one) Email parent Text Call
(Texts will include text to parent)

Parents/Guardian's Information:

Name(s): _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone# _____

T-shirt Size: (circle one) **S** **M** **L** **XL** **XXL**

Church you attend: _____

Bible translation you prefer (circle one): KJV (King James Version) ESV (English Standard Version)

Personal References (do not include relatives) Please *list three*. *(Returning students do not need to complete)*

1. Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

2. Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Confidential Screening Form for All Volunteers: *Everyone who serves with CEF needs to complete a confidential screening form every 5 years. If you are under 18, we will send you a form. **If you are 18 or older, complete the form at this link:***
www.ministryopportunities.org/CEFWestTexas

Photo & Video Consent / Release

Sometimes we use photos from CYIA for promotion purposes or to share with our ministry partners. The following is for you to complete if you do give your permission for us to use photos or videos that you are in.

The undersigned _____ (print your name) _____ hereby consents to the publication of photographs, video recordings or audio recordings of me made by Child Evangelism Fellowship of West Texas, Inc. in posters, magazines, books or other publications. The undersigned further releases Child Evangelism Fellowship of West Texas, Inc., publisher of such photographs, video recordings or audio recordings, of all claims to compensation for any such publications. It is understood that Child Evangelism Fellowship of West Texas, Inc. retains full and complete ownership of all rights to any such photographs, video recordings or audio recordings.

Date: _____

Signature _____ (of parents if under 18 years of age.)

Name printed _____

Personal Christian Conversion

For first-year students

1. On a separate sheet of paper, answer the question **“What is a Christian?”**
2. Also, please write out (or type up) your Christian testimony. Include:
 - How and when you became a Christian (detailed)
 - List some Bible verses on which you base your salvation.
 - Your favorite Bible verse (include why)
 - Your reason for applying to CYIA.

For returning students

Please answer the following questions.

1. Why do you want to be part of CYIA again? _____

2. How would you describe your relationship with God?

3. Has your faith in Jesus Christ grown in the past year? If so, can you describe how?

For All students

Do you play a musical instrument? _____
Would you like to help lead worship during CYIA? _____

Two Ways You Can Serve this Summer

Summer Missionaries can serve either as a temporary employee or as a volunteer. We value all who serve with us and want to give students 14 and older these options.

1. Temporary Employee: If you serve as a temporary employee:
 - You need to be at least 14 years of age.
 - You will be paid. Your hourly rate will be determined by your chapter’s local committee.
 - You will be expected to teach up to three 5-Day Clubs a day. (Be sure to read and sign a Financial Agreement that your chapter director will provide.)
 - You will need to help your chapter with fundraising.

- Mail letters to 25 or more people inviting them to help you reach children with the gospel this summer.
 - **Note:** You must send the 25 letters by regular USPS mail. You may also want to send emails to family friends and family – in addition to those sent by regular mail.) We will help you write a letter.
 - **Your Goal:** to raise \$650-750 by May 15th. (You pay for the stamps; your CEF chapter will provide the response cards and return envelopes.) Trust the Lord to provide the needed funds.
 - Your CYIA application needs to be turned in to your chapter or sent to our CEF of WTX office **by April 1st.** Letters need to be mailed out by April 15th.
2. Serving as a Volunteer: If you serve as a volunteer, you will not be paid. Your time helping your CEF chapter reach children with the gospel will be a gift and a blessing. You will not be expected to teach up to three clubs a day.

How would you like to serve this summer?

___ as a temporary employee (paid; need to be 14 years old)

___ as a volunteer

Summer Ministry to Children after CYIA Training

- 5-Day Clubs will be scheduled in June and July. Please check with your chapter director on the club schedules.
- Please let your chapter know of any weeks you are not available to serve.
- **Camp Good News** for children will be **July 10-14** in Hardesty, OK, at Gibson Baptist Camp. If you would like to serve as a counselor, contact Bunny Baldwin with the Panhandle Chapter.

Tuition Cost

Total Tuition Cost for a CYIA Student: **\$300**

Application Fee - \$30 *please send with completed application; make checks payable to CEF WTX
Balance due at CYIA (June 12) - \$270

CYIA tuition includes cost of teaching materials, student book, t-shirt, housing, meals, some training expenses, and supplies.
 Sibling Discount: \$25

If accepted as a CYIA student, I commit to obey all rules and standards of conduct established by Child Evangelism Fellowship of West Texas. (Standards of Conduct & Dress Code – at end of application.)

CYIA Candidate's Signature: _____

If under 18, approval of parent _____

If you have any questions, please contact:

- ❖ **Jennifer Dunn**, Red River Chapter in Wichita Falls, 940-704-0398
- ❖ **Vicki Johnston**, Rio Grande Chapter in El Paso, 626-506-9977
- ❖ **Bunny Baldwin**, Panhandle Chapter in Amarillo, 806-570-7972
- ❖ **Pierce Meadows**, South Plains Chapter in Lubbock, 806-543-8508
- ❖ **Andrew Louis**, Midland Basin Chapter, 432-599-7655
- ❖ **Omar Arreola**, Permian Basin Chapter, 432-599-1028
- ❖ **Janet Johnson**, CEF of West Texas (state office), 940-781-0899
(For Abilene and San Angelo applicants)

Medical Release – Please complete and have it notarized, if the student is under 18 years old. You do not need to submit this with your completed application but give it to your local director by May 15th.

Worker's Compliance Agreement – Read CEF's Statement of Faith (included with this application), then read and sign the compliance agreement. Turn this in with your completed application.

Application Fee -- The \$30 application fee must be paid when your application is submitted. If you pay by check, make payable to CEF WTX.

Options for Turning in Your CYIA Application:

1. Mail your completed application and fee to our state office:
CEF of West Texas
900 8th Street, Suite 606
Wichita Falls, TX 76301
2. Mail or take completed application and fee to your chapter office.
3. Scan and email it to the WTX State office at: **westtexascef@gmail.com**
(If you do this, please mail your check for application fee to the address above.)

Thank you! After we receive your application and fee, you will hear from your CEF chapter office to schedule a time to meet with you and a parent to discuss CYIA.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

– Matthew 5:16

Christian Youth in Action® Medical Questionnaire

Student's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Male ___ Female ___ Age _____ Weight (approx.) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Parent's Name _____ Cell ph# _____

In case of emergency notify _____

Emergency Contact's Best Phone# _____

Family Doctor _____ City _____ Phone (office) _____

Last Tetanus or Booster – Date _____

Allergies _____ Food Allergies _____

Do you have family hospital insurance? Yes ___ No ___ Company _____

Name which policy is under _____ Policy # _____ Exp Date _____

* **CEF's Insurance is the secondary insurance.**

Please list all medication taken (use an extra sheet if necessary). Include all over-the-counter medications as well as prescription medications.

Name of medication	Reason	Dosage	Frequency
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

NOTE: Any shots that are to be given **must** have a written and signed consent from the patient's doctor. All medications **MUST** be in original manufacturer's container or in pharmacy labeled container. (If you wish to send a small amount of an over-the-counter medication, please have your pharmacist label a container for you including the dosage information.) The dosage you want given, **MUST** correspond to the one on the prescription or manufacture's label or you **MUST** have a note from your doctor stating the change. Any medication not sent in properly labeled containers will be set aside until the parent can be contacted.

I give my permission for emergency medical care.

Parent (or guardian's signature) _____ Date _____

Sworn before me this _____ day of _____ the year _____.

Notary Signature & Seal

Statement of Faith of Child Evangelism Fellowship® *WE BELIEVE* -

That “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God,” by which we understand the whole book called THE BIBLE; that it is inerrant in the original writing and that its teaching and authority are absolute, supreme and final. That the Holy Spirit guided the holy men of old in all that they wrote. 2 Timothy 3:16; Deuteronomy 4:2; 2 Peter 1:21

The Godhead eternally exists in three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three are one God, having the same nature, attributes and perfection. Romans 1:20; Matthew 28:19; Deuteronomy 4:35; John 17:5

In the personality and Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, begotten of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, truly God and truly man. John 1:1, 14; 10:30; Matthew 1:20; Luke 1:30, 31; Philippians 2:5-7; 1 Timothy 3:16; Colossians 1:19

In the personality and Deity of the Holy Spirit, the source and power of all acceptable worship and service, the infallible interpreter of the infallible Word, who indwells every true believer, and is ever present to testify of Christ, seeking to occupy us with Him and not with ourselves or our experiences. John 15:26; Acts 5:3-4; 1:8; Romans 8:26-27; 1 Corinthians 2:12, 14; Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 12:13; John 16:13-14

That man was created in the image of God, after His likeness, as stated in the Word of God, but the whole human race fell in the fall of the first Adam. Not only was his moral nature grievously injured by the fall but he totally lost all spiritual life, becoming dead in trespasses and sins, and subject to the power of the devil. “The carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then, they that are in the flesh cannot please God” (Romans 8:7,8). Therefore, he cannot see nor enter the kingdom of God until he is born again by the Holy Spirit. That no degree of reformation however great, no attainment in morality however high, no culture however attractive, no humanitarian and philanthropic schemes and societies however useful, no baptism or other ordinance however administered, can help the sinner to take even one step toward Heaven; but a new nature imparted from above, a new life implanted by the Holy Spirit through the Word is absolutely essential to salvation. Genesis 1:26-27; Romans 5:12; Ephesians 2:1-3; John 3:3, 6, 7; Titus 3:5

That Jesus Christ became the sinner’s substitute before God, and died as a propitiatory sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. That He was made a curse for the sinner, dying for his sins according to the Scriptures; that no repentance, no feeling, no faith, no good resolutions, no sincere efforts, no submission to the rules and regulations of any church can add in the very least to the value of the precious blood or to the merit of that finished work wrought for us by Him, who tasted death for every man. 1 John 2:2; Hebrews 2:9; Galatians 3:13; Romans 3:25; 4:4-5; 5:8; Colossians 1:13-14, 20-21

In the resurrection of the crucified body of Jesus Christ; that His body was raised from the dead according to the Scriptures, and that He ascended into Heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God as the believer’s high priest and advocate. Luke 24:39; Acts 1:10-11; Ephesians 4:10; Hebrews 1:3; 1 John 2:1

That Christ in the fullness of the blessings He has secured by His death and resurrection is received by faith alone and that the moment we trust in Him as our Savior we pass out of death into everlasting life, justified from all things, accepted before the Father according to the measure of His acceptance, loved as He is loved and made one with Him. At the time of acceptance of Christ as Savior, He comes to dwell within the believer and to live out His life of holiness and power through him. Hebrews 9:15; John 5:24; Romans 3:28; 4:3,23-25; Ephesians 1:3; John 17:23; Galatians 2:20; 4:6-7; 5:16; Acts 1:8

That the Church is composed of all those who truly believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. It is the body and bride of Christ. That every believer, whether Jew or Gentile, is baptized into the body of Christ by the Holy Spirit, and having thus become members of one another we are responsible to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, rising above all sectarian prejudices and denominational bigotry and loving one another with a pure heart fervently. Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:19-22; 1 Corinthians 12:22-27; 1:10-13; Romans 12:4-5; Ephesians 4:3-6; 5:32; Philippians 2:1-5; Galatians 5:13-15

That all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ are called into a life of separation from worldly and sinful practices, and should abstain from such amusements and habits as will cause others to stumble, or bring reproach upon the cross of Christ. Believers are created in Christ Jesus unto good works. “As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith” (Galatians 6:10). 1 John 2:15-16; Romans 13:14; 14:13; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Ephesians 2:10

In the evangelization of the world, that the supreme mission of the people of God in this age is to preach the Gospel to every creature. That special emphasis should be placed upon the evangelization of children. Mark 16:15; 2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 18:14

In the personal return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, that the coming again of Jesus Christ is the “blessed hope” set before us, for which we should be constantly looking. “Our citizenship is in Heaven from whence we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ” (Philippians 3:20). Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; John 14:1-3; Titus 2:13; Philippians 3:20-21

That the souls of those who have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation do at death immediately pass into His presence, and there remain in conscious bliss until the resurrection of the body at His coming, when soul and body reunited shall be with Him forever in glory. Luke 23:43; 2 Corinthians 5:8; Luke 16:22,25; Philippians 1:23; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

That the souls of the lost remain after death in misery until the final judgment of the great white throne, when soul and body reunited at the resurrection shall be cast “into the lake of fire” which is “the second death,” to be “punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power” (2 Thessalonians 1:8-9). Luke 16:22-23,27-28; Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 20:5,11-15; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9

In the reality and personality of Satan, “that old serpent, called the devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world” (Revelation 12:9). Ephesians 6:11-12; 1 Peter 5:8; Revelation 20:1

Worker's Compliance Agreement

Child Evangelism Fellowship

Doctrinal Protection Policy - Adopted by CEF International Board of Trustees, May 6, 2002

Child Evangelism Fellowship® continues in its commitment to its Statement of Faith, which embodies the non-negotiable and historic beliefs of evangelical Christians.

Within the community of evangelical believers various distinctives exist which do not prevent our fellowship in the Lord and our effectiveness as child evangelists.

We therefore resolve that CEF® workers are qualified by their unreserved commitment to CEF's Statement of Faith and their further commitment in all CEF activities to refrain from teaching or otherwise advocating doctrinal distinctives either contrary to or in addition to the Statement of Faith.

Recognizing the spiritual need of boys and girls in our community and around the world, I would like to assist in the work of *Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)*.

I understand that CEF is without specific denominational affiliation and have read the Statement of Faith and CEF Doctrinal Protection Policy. In becoming a coworker with CEF, and in order to protect the ministry, I agree not to propagate or practice in CEF ministries any distinctive or controversial doctrines, methods and practices that would go beyond the CEF Statement of Faith and the approved CEF curriculum. These would include but not be limited to such things as modes of baptism, speaking in tongues, interpretation of Scripture by experience, healing on demand, etc. I understand that anyone who does not adhere to this agreement cannot serve with CEF as paid staff or volunteer.

In teaching Bible lessons in core CEF programs I will use exclusively materials approved by CEF. In offering my services I trust the Lord to make me a faithful servant, and should problems arise between CEF and me that cannot be fully reconciled, I will quietly withdraw to preserve the harmony essential to having an effective Christian witness.

By signing below, I indicate:

- My agreement with the Statement of Faith, and that
- I will abide by the above Worker's Compliance Agreement, and that
- I will abide by the policies of CEF as long as I am actively involved.

(Only applicable in the USA):

- I have reviewed the Protecting Today's Child presentation (866-878-4182 or cefonline.com/childprotection) in the last 12 months.

If you have a question about a specific policy or to see a complete copy of all policies, contact your director.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print name _____ Church Affiliation _____

Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email _____ Telephone # _____

CEF of West Texas
***Christian Youth in Action*® 2023**
Standards of Conduct & Dress Code for Students & Leaders

As brothers and sisters in Christ serving God together, we are responsible in our relationships with:

- Teammates
- CYIA staff and leaders
- Local volunteers who help
- Children whom we teach
- CEF as an organization and your church
- God (*your most important relationship*)

Our appearance, dress, conversation, and actions will either help or hinder the cause of Christ and the message we want to bring. At all times, conduct should be such that would bring honor and glory to the Lord Jesus Christ. Bringing reproach to the name of Christ or failure to adhere to the CYIA dress code and standards of conduct may result in being sent home from CYIA.

Attendance: You are expected to attend all sessions unless granted permission by your local CEF leader to miss.

Name Tags: Wear your name tag to all sessions and meals; wear it when teaching a 5-Day Club during CYIA.

Keeping CYIA Location Clean: All paper should be put into proper containers, not thrown on the ground. We need to respect the South Plains College campus where we meet and keep it clean. We will need your help to keep all rooms where you meet clean (wiping down tables, picking up trash, etc.). After you eat a meal or have a snack, we expect you to throw away any trash.

Personal Cleanliness: Please wash your hands before snacks and meals and throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be available. Be sure to shower each day and use deodorant.

Recreation: There may be organized games, but you can also use this time for free time.

Cell Phones: You may keep your cell phone with you, but please do not allow it to be a distraction during class time, working with your team, study times, mealtimes, or during practicums. If your cell phone does become a distraction, you will be asked to either leave it at home or put it up.

Relationships: Friendships with Christians of the opposite gender are beneficial in social, spiritual, and leadership development. You may talk, walk, sit, and dine with them at appropriate times. However, because the goals of CYIA would be violated by the distraction of any romantic relationships, existing relationships of unmarried couples are to be put “on hold” during CYIA. Also, the pursuit of such relationships is to be set aside during CYIA training so that Christ alone will be exalted.

Study Times: This time is to be spent preparing for practicums or preparing to teach the children in your club. Let your team leader know if you prefer quiet study on your own or working with others to prepare. But be sure that your method of study does not distract those around you.

Dress Code:

For morning & evening worship, class time, and teaching clubs wear clothing that is neat, clean and in reasonably good condition. We ask that students not wear:

- ❖ Clothing that is too tight (form fitting) or that exposes midriffs, backs, undergarments, revealing necklines, etc. If you only have pants that are tight, wear a long t-shirt.
- ❖ Tank tops.
- ❖ Clothing with writing, slogans, pictures, or symbols that do not honor God.
- ❖ Shorts may be worn but not short shorts (long gym shorts are OK).

NOTE: We want to have Zoom sessions before CYIA on modesty for guys and girls, so that everyone understands the dress code for CYIA and 5-Day Clubs. All students should plan to participate.

Thank you for following our CYIA codes of conduct and dress -- and for looking out for each other during CYIA. This will help us have a wonderful training together! Please call or text me if you have any questions.

Serving together,

Janet Johnson
940-781-0899