

Clarendon Christian Learning Center Annual Summary

2015-2016 School Year

Clarendon Christian Learning Center ministered to more than 800 students during the 2015-2016 school year.

The **highlight** of the year was the expansion of Bible classes to Clarendon District 3! On October 15, 2015 the Clarendon County District 3 School Board gave CCLC permission for Released Time Bible Education Classes. After working with the local principal, classes were offered to middle school students for the final two quarters of the school year. Frankie Green was hired as teacher with Lacie Cannon and Kendra Gibbons as assistants. A total of 84 students enrolled: 38 students attended in the third quarter and 46 in the fourth quarter. Students were taught from the Bible and Firm Foundations curriculum with an emphasis on Scripture memory. Each quarter ended with a program showcasing the students' growth in knowledge of the Word of God and testimonies of first-time professions of faith and rededications. Classes and programs were held at Turbeville First Baptist Church across from East Clarendon High School. Several students assisted Frankie in promoting CCLC at local churches.

At the **high school** level, 36 students were given **academic credit** as Old and New Testaments were surveyed during the first and second semesters, respectively. High school students (grades 9-12) were able to walk over to the CCLC classroom located adjacent to school property. Other than the Bible, Firm Foundations was the main curriculum taught by Kim DuRant. Students participated in Fields of Faith (an FCA event) and were involved in missions such as preparing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and assisting in the maintenance of the classroom. They traveled to the State Capitol building to participate in Franklin Graham's nationwide call to pray for America. They also enjoyed fellowship at the home of Mrs. DuRant, always with a Bible lesson. Several students volunteered to represent CCLC at area churches to promote the ministry!

396 **elementary** students, grades 4-6, successfully completed Firm Foundations Bible curriculum, attending one hour weekly. The curriculum is divided into three annual segments. These students traveled by bus to the classroom located two blocks from their school. Students were encouraged to memorize and sing Bible verses. They also viewed the Jesus Video for Children. Each class enjoyed Bible related crafts to reinforce lessons. Classes were taught by Kathy Daniels and Adriene Jones, assisted by Kathleen McElveen and our bus driver, Leroy McElveen.

341 **primary** level students, grades 2-3, attended one hour per week all year, and were taught by Brenda Marlowe from the Bible and the Route 52 curriculum. Adrienne McCabe served as her assistant. Students were able to walk across the street to the CCLC mobile classroom. A flannel board and basic crafts were introduced to reinforce the Bible lessons. All second graders and first-time third graders were presented with a copy of the Hands-On Bible at year end. Second graders participated in a Christmas drama in December and third graders in an Easter drama in April; each was based on the biblical accounts. Students also enjoyed the excitement of a visit from Hands-On Praise Puppet Ministry! Elizabeth Coleman, a former CCLC student and volunteer, continued to volunteer in our primary program.

Local churches & Individuals: In addition to financial support and faithful prayer support, CCLC continues to be blessed by the ministry of local church groups & individuals who offer their services doing repairs and yard work, and donating various office and classroom supplies.

In the community: CCLC held our fifth annual prayer walk in October for all area schools. The approximately two-mile walk left our primary classroom and encompassed the schools served by CCLC. Stations were posted along the way for other county schools and opportunities were offered for group prayer at various locations as well. CCLC also participated in Manning Early Childhood Career Day.

A year-end program was held at Manning First Baptist Gymnasium to highlight the students' accomplishments and celebrate the work of CCLC. Families moved in rotation to four centers, each offering a unique presentation: flannel Bible story, family craft area, lessons & visuals in tabernacle furnishings, and family devotion skit. About 250 students and parents attended. High school students offered testimonies, as well.

In the nation: CCLC Executive Director Erie Brown was named SMI (School Ministries, Inc.) National Staff Person of the Year (2016)! Erie has served on the national board of SMI for the last two years and participated in a committee review of curriculum for RTBE programs.

2015-2016 marks year seventeen teaching Bible classes in Clarendon District 2 & **YEAR ONE** in District 3. To God be the glory!!