

# CIA Annual Report – 2020

## CIA 2020 ministry highlights:

- 1. Surviving COVID-19. From A to Z God has been good to CIA.
- 2. The new Mobility Outreach Program allowed CIA to build new relationships with children, parents, and community leaders.
- 3. New partnerships have been established with groups and agencies allowing us to accomplish more together.
- 4. Through the Mobile Outreach program, and Barnabas Club programming at Northside Baptist on Chapel Crossing Rd., CIA's visibility has increased dramatically despite COVID-19 challenges.
- As the result of a complete team effort, CIA addressed Functional Philosophies with respect to wordsmithing the expression of organizational ethos and priorities to enhance our effectiveness.
  "We Practice, Pray and Play so children and families can Win!"

## Ministry challenges:

- 1. <u>Adapting to COVID-19</u>: Daily electronic monitoring of COVID-19 within our community; daily sanitizing of CIA facilities; attentive, alert and responsive to Federal, State and County health guidelines, as well as Glynn County school policies that might impact on CIA.
- 2. <u>Fundraising</u>: Continue existing partnerships, creating new partnerships and identifying new funding opportunities to include grants, businesses, civic groups and individuals.
- 3. <u>Recruiting and training volunteers:</u> Plans are under revision in light of new COVID-19 realities.
- 4. <u>Executing ministry in different formats</u>: Create community-unifying opportunities that increase knowledge of different socio-economic backgrounds

## Addressing COVID-19:

COVID-19 has affected every facet of CIA to include programming, fundraising, and protocols. Protocols include staying abreast of the community impact/hot spots for COVID-19 on a daily basis, proper training, proper sanitizing, temperature checks, and PPE for children, volunteers and staff. At the onset of COVID and having to shut down programs, we shifted resources to help community volunteer efforts such as the distribution of food packs to public school students and their families. CIA resumed programming in June 2020.

## Short-term and Long-term ministry goals:

<u>Short-term Goals:</u> CIA resumed after-school programming, the Barnabas Club, upon reopening of the schools with no negative issues to date. As such, we plan to continue programming for the remaining of the school year. With respect to our new Mobile Outreach Program, which supplanted the old Summer Outreach



Program, we are ready to venture OUT into the community as soon as practicable, with mobile units on weekends to build new relationships through sports camps.

With this, there are opportunities to serve and give through these activities. Needed resources include: VOLUNTEERS, basketballs, footballs, prizes, drinks, snacks etc.

<u>Long-term Goals</u>: Increase the Mobile camps and increase community partnerships to provide diverse unifying opportunities.

(In 2019, CIA introduced a new mobile method of program delivery to the Summer Outreach Program that proved effective. These were reduced in 2020 as a result of COVID-19.)

Two new custom trailers loaded with quality sports equipment are used to conduct "Day at the Park" sports events. Under this concept, events are conducted at parks throughout the county. The indoor gymnasium at Ballard Park is a backup facility in inclement weather. These free events are accessible to families in neighborhoods that do not presently benefit from free CIA programming offered at our brick and mortar location. We have identified additional parks as potential sites for expansion in 2021 and 2022. These plans are living, breathing, and being modified as we go, due to the challenges of the COVID-19 Pandemic, that directly impact on our ability to safely assemble large groups of children. We are continuing programming, adjusting, and ready to resume normal activities as solutions are identified in collaboration with government policy development entities.

#### **Prayer Request**

God is good... As we look around, we can see Him at work and His hand on CIA. He has led us through a season of uncertainty to a season of opportunity and growth. Please continue to pray for His direction for our paths and for health. Thank you...

#### Financial needs:

CIA vehicles are aging and gathering miles. We are currently looking at a \$30,000 expense to upgrade two vehicles that will pull the mobile units.

#### Monthly support:

55% percent of CIA's monthly budget regularly comes from monthly partners. The remainder is covered with grants, one-time individual donations, and fundraisers. In our 13 years of operation, we have learned that fundraising is a continuous part of the process. We must continue to work hard at funding ministry, to provide ministry programming. This comes through seeking out new funding opportunities and partners.

#### **Financial Partners:**

As a CIA partner, you help sustain CIA's successful programs that impact the physical and spiritual lives of children, thus expanding the Kingdom of God by sowing the seed at an early age. Enclosed is an envelope if you feel led to make a year-end donation.

Thank you... for your partnership in making the Gospel and CIA programming a free resource to children and families in our community!!!