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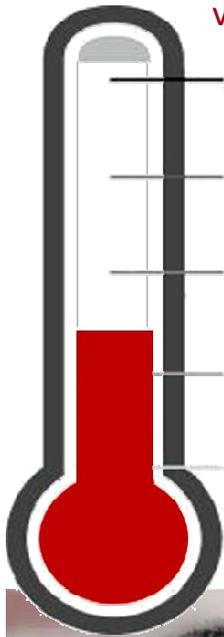
## PRAYER REQUEST

- Summer ministry outreach to city kids
- Churches will adopt communities & schools
- Share the Good News campaign success

A complete listing of our prayer requests, ministry news and events is updated regularly at the CEF website: [gospeltokids.org/prayer-connection](http://gospeltokids.org/prayer-connection)

## Campaign nears 50%

Our goal of **\$100K** nears a halfway point very soon this Spring with expectations of the remaining 50% being raised by the Fall of this year.



Our purpose is to reach **10,000** local kids each year during this 3-year campaign. Please give a special financial gift of any amount which will be doubled during 2017.



## CEF, Inc. celebrates 80th year

**A**round the world in 80 years! It was exciting last week to be with the international family of CEF as we celebrated our 80th birthday at the Ridgecrest Conference Center. Durham board members, Angela Curry and Ruth Shepard Poole, joined me in the week-long celebration where 105+ countries were represented and 1,500+ attended. It was so encouraging to here about the work of CEF in nearly every country of the world. One of many reports given mentioned that CEF ministered to over 21 million children last year. Ms. Poole and I have each been serving for 25 years or more. This was Ms. Curry's first year with CEF Durham. We and the entire board of CEF Durham are excited about our history of ministry and are looking forward to what the Lord accomplishes during the next 3 years. We are believing and ministering by faith that 10,000 children can be enrolled and reached with the Gospel each year during the "Share The Good News" campaign. Our 2017 enrollment is close to 5,000 currently. With summer ministry and strong prospective plans for school and community based programs in the Fall, our goal should be reached. Thank you for your support, volunteering, and prayer with CEF Durham towards these God-Honoring goals.



Curry - Blake - Poole at CEF Conference

Matthew 19:14,

*John E. Blake*

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## City Project interns offer Bible camps

Once again this summer, 13 college interns will serve with CEF to offer Bible clubs & sports camps to city kids in Durham. *City Project* interns serve the Lord during the summer months here as well as NYC and overseas. Each intern is assigned to a team which will conduct CEF *5-Day Clubs* in neighborhoods and area summer camps. These are sites where we already have weekly ministry with Good News Clubs or sports camps. Interns' gifts and talents are encouraged to creatively share the Gospel.

## Sports camps during summer

Basketball, tennis, and a variety of other sports and game activities are planned for our summer outreach, whether a 1-day event or month-long academies. Solid instruction, competition, and strong Christian character are taught in gyms, city courts, and neighborhood rec centers. CEF partners with other summer programs as well as our ministry friends to offer these camps to kids in our city at no charge and without other obstacles that might hinder youth 6-14 yrs from attending. *Cross Training* each day proclaims the Gospel through Bible-centered activities.



## Schools to Shine: Light Up Your World

Biblical principles of the Father's Heart are taught to students of all ages, but especially those of middle school age. We are excited to report God's breakthrough for us to share the 3-day course *Light Up Your World* to local students in schools which have been closed to us in the past. *Born To Shine* will continue to be taught at Christian/Bible-friendly schools and camps.



**Kent & Becky Bryant** were also seen at CEF International Conference last week. Please pray for our friends and their ministry in Fiji.



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