NC Statewide Children's Missions Project (also for RA Groups)

The 2016 Statewide Children's Missions Project (combined with DI Kids, RA groups, and Deep Impact camps) raised \$17,000 for Hope Village, which is part of the Door of Hope in Johannesburg, SA. A trip in October 2016 saw how the money is already being spent to get the village ready to house children by mid-December 2016. We thank you for your contributions!

The NC Statewide Children's Missions project for 2017 will be to support the Baptist on Mission/NC Baptist Men partnership with Cuba by providing clean water to villages and towns throughout Eastern Cuba. After Hurricane Matthew hit the eastern side of Cuba in the fall of 2016, NC Baptists sent a large water purification unit to the town of Nibujón, Cuba to provide over 10,000 gallons of clean water per day. In the days after, it was realized that clean water is often not available (unless purchased) even when a hurricane has not hit. And with the poverty of Cuba, purchasing water is not a viable option. Our plan is to provide water purification units that will purify up to 5,000 gallons per day to as many towns as possible. Churches in Cuba often serve as community centers for the towns in which they are located. If we can put a water purification unit in one church in a town then the community can have clean, safe water to drink. If we raise the same amount of money as 2016, we will be able to provide over 11 churches with purification units. Can you imagine, 11 churches and 11 towns being able to provide safe drinking water to their people? Can you imagine the impact that clean water will have for the gospel message? What would it be like if we could put water purification units in 20 or 25 churches and towns?

For questions and more information you can contact Tom Beam at Baptists on Mission/NC Baptist Men at <u>tbeam@ncbaptist.org</u> or (800)395-5102, ext. 5626.

THANK YOU for considering how you and your church and children's groups (RA's, GA's, Children in Action, AWANAS, etc.) can get involved by praying, encouraging and giving!

PRAY

- Pray that God will use these water purification units to reach people with the gospel
- Pray that God will allow us to meet physical and spiritual needs as people fill their water vessels with clean water.

WAYS TO RAISE MONEY (All state-wide RA events; RA race, Camporee, etc. will take up offerings for this)

- Conduct a yard sale, car wash, bike-a-thon, rock-a-thon, penny or coin drive, etc.
- Collect aluminum cans or scrap metal to sell
- Rent a Group earn money as a group by cleaning yards or doing other jobs around your church and community
- Encourage your church at large or different Sunday school or church groups to give

GIVE

You have 2 options to give:

- Make your check payable to NCBM and mail to PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512 Memo line: Cuba Clean Water
- Contact Kecia Morgan at (800)395-5102, ext. 5613 to make a donation by credit card.

(All donations are tax-deductible)

GO

• Help spread the word about the water purification units going to Cuba and ask others to get involved