

# LOST KIDS OF APPALACHIA



“You don’t have to leave the country to be a missionary, when there is a tremendous need in your own back yard.” Ron Leedy



**“Studies show kids need five trusted adults in their lives to become successful and these kids have zero.”**

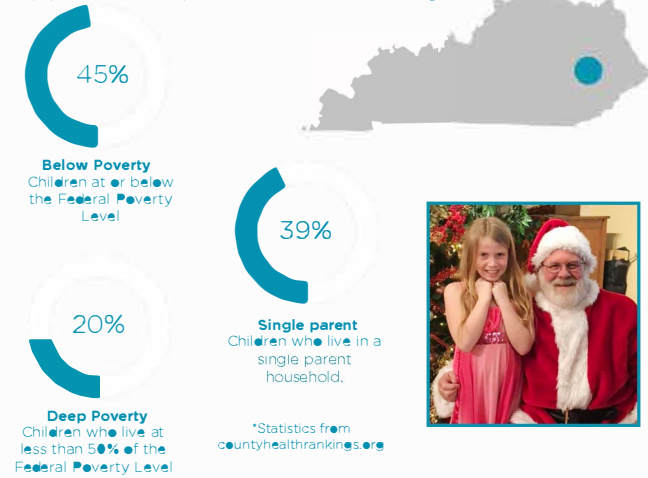
- Karen Ditsch CEO of Juniper Health, Inc. Beattyville, Ky

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## Background

Breathitt County is in a remote Eastern Appalachian portion of Kentucky.



## Current

Currently Clear Fork has 3 programs serving 60+ children ages 3 years-old to high school seniors.

1. **PreK-4th grade:** Weekly Bible lessons and Bible study skills are presented in a fun, hands on manner. We include crafts and activities.

2. **JAG (Jesus's Army of Guys/Gals):** A program for 5th-12th grade students which combines Biblical teaching, life skills lessons, and fun outdoor adventure activities. Participants can earn badges as they progress through the program. JAG students also participate in field trips, exposing them to the larger world outside of their community.

3. **Leadership Development:** Clear Fork is mentoring the children, building their confidence, teaching them skills, and then allowing them to practice and grow these skills through: older students teaching the younger kids. "Youth Sunday"- kids lead the worship music, serve, and preach.



## What Can You Do?

**PRAY:** Commit to praying for the families.

**Serve:**

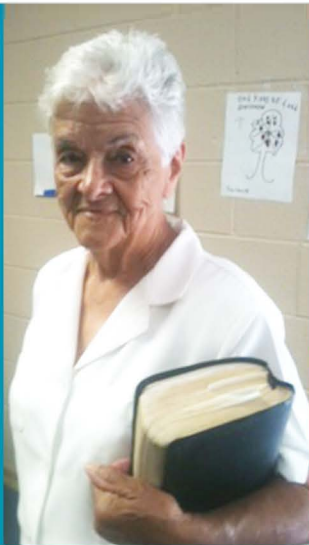
- ✔ Teach
- ✔ Transportation
- ✔ Music
- ✔ Events

**Support:** Become a sponsor with:

- \_\_\_ One Time Gift
- \_\_\_ Monthly Support
- \_\_\_ Christmas Angel Tree \$50 per child
- \_\_\_ Special Events

## The Church

The Church was empty for 3 ½ years except for one 80 year-old lady, Ms. Alta, who would open the doors each Sunday and wait. Then lock the doors again. She faithfully prayed God would revive the community and church. Calvary Christian moved into the church in 2011 and renamed it Calvary Christian Church Clear Fork.



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Click on giving and select the "Clear Fork Campus"

**"I want to learn all that I can about the Bible then come back here and preach."**  
- David Spenser, Current JAG Member, Age 14

## The Community

For most adults, there is a general lack of interest in church or learning about Christ. Many adults are unemployed and dependent on government assistance. Physical needs are met by the government: housing, food stamps, free school lunches, free education and free school supplies. 80% of children have limited access to the church and have NEVER heard the name of Jesus, they feel hopeless and unloved.

## Vision

Continue to give children hope, love, and a future. Reach other communities. Replicate what we have done.

Begin additional programs:

- ✔ Abstinence
- ✔ Drug and alcohol prevention
- ✔ Employability
- ✔ Entrepreneurship

