

Dan and Michelle

God continues to bless the ministry of CEF® in Franklin and Fulton Counties. The past few months have been very encouraging as we've seen God answer many prayers. We've seen the ministry be blessed over and over again.

We're very thankful for our committee and the wisdom they bring to the ministry. Some difficult decisions have been presented to them over the past few years and we feel that God has rewarded them for their faithfulness and dedication to Him and to the work of CEF.

We're excited about a new year and the children that God will bring into our lives in 2016. We are eager to serve them and Him for another year with the ministry of CEF. We're also glad for the privilege of working with our volunteers.

Cora

Cora made it home safely from her semester in Europe. It was an incredible experience for her and she'll never forget it. She's glad to be home and plans to spend the majority of her Christmas break just resting and enjoying some activities that are a bit more low-key. She'll return to school in Oklahoma the second week in January to continue working on her degree in Elementary Education. She's in her second year there.

Caleb

Caleb has really figured out his school routine. He can easily work ahead if he wants to take a day off. He has even been willing to do this so he could help around the CEF office during our busy days. We really appreciate the extra set of hands.

The Russells 2016

Olivia

Olivia is still in love with the Food Network channel on TV. She knows more than any of us about food and cooking. She got a lot of cooking supplies for Christmas so she's excited to try them out and we're excited that we got to eat her experiments.

She and Jacob are in the youth choir again this year and are looking forward to the creative things they are planning for their choir tour later this Spring. They were able to participate in the Christmas program as well.

Jacob

Jacob is really loving basketball season. The high school games are a bit more physical than what he was used to so he often has bumps and bruises or needs some ice after the games. He's learning a lot through the experience. School is keeping him busy as well. In mid-January he'll have to take midterms for the first time. He's already begun studying and preparing for those.