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# 4R 2019 UPDATE

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### 4RStudents Financial Summary

Total Pledged **\$1,407,131**

Total Collected **\$926,541**

Total Remaining **\$480,590**

Numbers are as of December 31, 2018 and are subject to change based on revisions made by donors. The 4RS Commitment Period ends April 2019. To learn about the projects the 4RS funds will support, visit [ChristChurchUSA.org/4RStudents](http://ChristChurchUSA.org/4RStudents).



▲ Thanks to an effort led by Quest Student Ministries and supported by its faithful volunteers, shoeboxes are packed and ready to be shipped as part of the Operation Christmas Child project.

## Christmas Blessings for Students

This holiday season, Quest Student Ministries and the Christ Church Global missions team participated in Operation Christmas Child, a project of the humanitarian aid organization, *Samaritan's Purse*. Operation Christmas Child has delivered more than 157 million gift-filled shoeboxes to kids since 1993. Due to the generosity of our students and student ministry volunteers, Christ Church was able to make a significant contribution to an initiative that shares the gospel all over the world through the simple act of blessing children in need with these shoeboxes.

The Quest Young Adults also got into the holiday spirit when they hosted their open mic event on December 22 at our East Campus in Montclair. Various forms of creativity were on display as "The Sidewalk" featured live



**QUEST** YOUNG  
ADULTS

music and an ugly Christmas sweater contest (above). The Sidewalk also once again showcased the talent and giftings of Quest Young Adults at Christ Church and in our region. They look forward to hosting life-changing events and building an even stronger emerging community in 2019!

Rebrand

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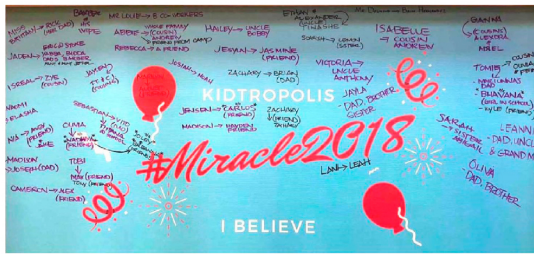
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▲ The Miracle 2018 initiative taught Quest Kids about evangelism and the power of prayer, while showing them that God can do the impossible! The banner above is a testament to God working through our youngest students.

## Kids Learn That Miracles Happen Through Prayers



At the beginning of 2018, Quest Kids Head Room Leader Brittany Lanzone had a vision for our children to launch an evangelism initiative called "Miracle 2018." This initiative was for our students to not just learn about evangelism, but also to put that knowledge into practice. Our kids were challenged to think of one individual in their life (friend or family) who did not know Jesus Christ as their personal savior, or perhaps needed a miracle to happen.

In response, we created a "Miracle 2018" banner that was displayed in one of our classrooms at the beginning of the year. Then we watched with excitement as Sunday after Sunday our students began populating it with names of individuals they wanted to reach. We described being intentional simply as going out of our way to interact with someone that might not be noticed. Many came to Christ as a result of our students' efforts and we believe that 2018 laid a foundation for how our students will live their lives going forward! #miracle2018

We'd love to hear your feedback. Email [4RStudents@ChristChurchUSA.org](mailto:4RStudents@ChristChurchUSA.org) or call 973-783-1010 (ext. 270).



# Banner Year for Our Teens

The 2018 relaunch of the Teen Ministry at the East Campus in Montclair was a resounding success! From the start of the year to our Quest Teens rebranding, we've welcomed, come alongside, listened to, laughed with, ministered to, and served over 232 teens and their families! We've witnessed a palpable excitement from our teens and tremendous support from their parents—which has yielded wonderful fruits of community and Christ-centered growth. None of which could have happened without the added support of the newly added cast of Teen leaders, volunteers, and planning teams that have made every event, small group, and Teen Church more meaningful, impactful, and safe. It's important to remember that you don't have to do the "big" things to have a big impact in someone's life. The little, unseen, faithful things add up over time! If you're interested in volunteering, find out how you can get involved at [ChristChurchUSA.org/4RStudents](http://ChristChurchUSA.org/4RStudents).

**QUEST** teens

Over at the West Campus in Rockaway, the Teen Ministry is preparing for an Online Safety & Awareness Seminar on February 9. Families are encouraged to come together as we delve into important issues including cyberbullying, social media, and video games. Visit [ChristChurchUSA.org/Teens](http://ChristChurchUSA.org/Teens) to register.

## Life-change from Journaling

Quest College Ministry Director Angela Maceda meets with students one-on-one on Christian discipleship, which entails teaching biblical principles, while modeling and guiding students toward living righteously as followers of Jesus Christ. Angela's sessions with students are an intimate time of conversation and prayer. All of the conversations are intended to encourage students to develop an intimate relationship with God through Christ rather than just learning about Him. This is evident in Angela's time spent with a senior at Rutgers University–Newark.

The student shared that when she took Angela's suggestion of two-way journaling as a means of connecting with God, it was



▲ A college student was blown away by the life-changing impact of a journal and a leap of faith.

a game-changer.

"I decided to take a leap of faith and trust God, I was blown away! God really spoke to me, like whaaaaat! In the two-way journal, God was just speaking into my identity and affirming me. And He kept telling me not to worry. The whole experience is really helping me distinguish between my voice and God's voice. Thank you so much!"

This story is a perfect example of how the 4RStudents Movement and the College Ministry is bringing students into a deeper, fuller relationship with Christ at a critical stage in their lives.

*Sincerely,*

**Christ Church Student Ministries Team**

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