

2017-18 FACTS



A Renewal in Student Education and Evangelism | **ARISE2Read** is a non-profit organization that facilitates partnerships between schools, evangelical churches, and businesses to strengthen second-grade students in literacy. Trained volunteers are paired with students to coach them twice a week. **ARISE2Read's** desire is for *all children* to be reading on grade-level by the time they enter third-grade.

ARISE2Read.org

Education Facts

- According to the 2016 University of Memphis Poverty Fact Sheet, Memphis has the highest child poverty rate in the nation of cities with 1,000,000 in population. 43% of our children live in poverty.
- Students in low-income communities are, on average, three grade levels behind their peers in affluent communities by the 4th grade.
- Low-income students are five times more likely to drop out of school.
- In middle-income neighborhoods, the ratio of age-appropriate books per child is 13:1. In low-income areas, the ratio is one book for every 300 children.
- Two thirds of students who do not read proficiently by the end of the 4th grade will wind up either in jail or on welfare.
- **THERE IS HOPE!** Children in poverty who read proficiently by the end of 3rd grade have an 89% graduation rate.

ARISE2Read in MEMPHIS

28

SCHOOLS

822

VOLUNTEERS
during 2016-17 year

853

STUDENTS COACHED
during 2016-17 year

685

NEW VOLUNTEERS
trained as of 1/24/18

34

ADOPTERS

2016-17 Results

- Of the 19 A2R schools, pre and post-tests were conducted at 13 and the results demonstrated **a 142% average increase** in second graders who read on Fry sight word grade level.
- Those same test results demonstrated an average **gain per student of 274** Fry words mastered.
- Over **7200 books** have been given to elementary students from poverty-level families and **2000 backpacks** containing 2 grade-level books, sight word activity booklets and handouts, a bracelet, pencil, bookmark, and crayons were given away at end of year parties.

Treadwell Elementary (Pilot School)

- 68.75% increase in overall reading scores on the SAT10 (Achievement test) from 2014-2016
- Progression from Level 2 to Level 5 on the TN State Performance Rating
- Post-test scores - 78% on grade level
- Average word gain of 408 words

