



## Meet Akshara



Akshara comes from a Christian family, but at IREF, she's growing in her faith with every passing day. In fact, after being at IREF for just a few months, she decided to be baptized! Akshara has learned so much, but at the top of the list is prayer. She loves it at IREF and has been so impacted by prayer since she came to our school. We know life won't be easy for Akshara since she has chosen boldly and publicly to follow Jesus, but we're so grateful she has family who supports, encourages, and even shares her faith! That's a gift so many of our students don't have.

In the future, Akshara dreams of being a national player on the Kho Kho or Volleyball teams. When she has a free moment at IREF, you can usually find her playing one of those sports with some friends. We are so proud of Akshara, and we're so thankful IREF can help her grow spiritually and pursue the dreams God has put on her heart.

## IREF TOGETHER Saturday, April 5th at 10am CT WATCH LIVE at [irefusa.org/together](http://irefusa.org/together)

### The Great Commission is for your kids too!

But as parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles, it can be challenging to instill this value into the kids we love. How do we share the joys and challenges of missions in age-appropriate ways?

Join us for IREF Together, a global virtual event that will help the kids in your life experience ministry at IREF wherever they are. Together, we will ignite a passion for missions in all our hearts and help transform the lives of children in India.

## IREF TOGETHER 2025



Learn more at:  
[irefusa.org/together!](http://irefusa.org/together)

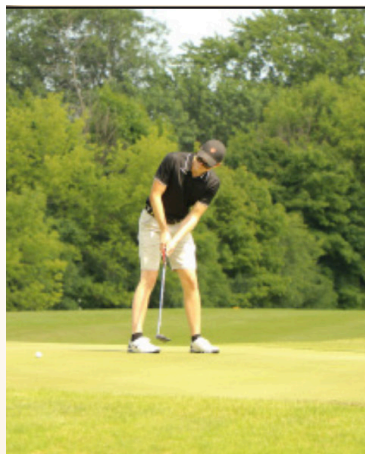
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# 2025

## 13th Annual Golf Outing

**AUGUST 9, 2025**  
SATURDAY

**BONNIE BROOK GOLF COURSE**  
2800 North Lewis Ave  
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

Learn more and sign up at [irefusa.org/golf](http://irefusa.org/golf)

## Change in newsletter frequency for 2025

In an effort to save money, IREF's newsletter will move from a monthly update to a quarterly update. You can still expect wonderful stories and photos in our newsletter, and if you would like to receive more regular updates, we encourage you to follow us on Facebook and Instagram. On these platforms, we share updates from India every week to keep you informed.

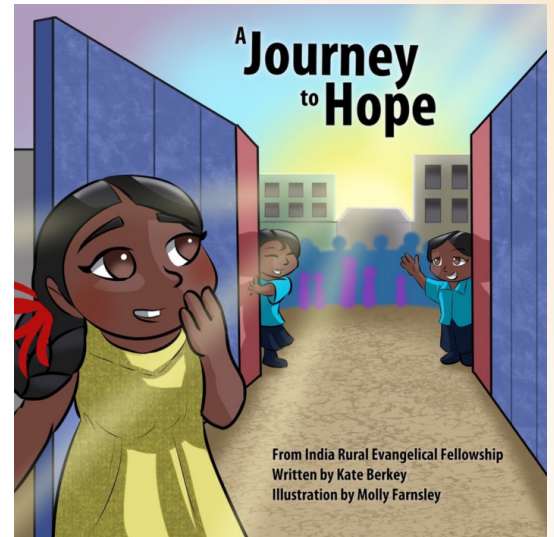




## At IREF Together, you can add a new favorite book to your shelf — “A Journey to Hope”.

The book tells the story of Kavya, a seven-year-old girl who lives in a rural Indian village. We follow her through the twists and turns and highs and lows of life in her village until she stands in front of the big, beautiful, blue gates of IREF. When she walks through them, her life is never the same, and it's all because of the hope of Jesus.

A Journey of Hope is the perfect way to introduce your children to life in rural India and the gospel's impact. Join us for IREF Together on **Saturday, April 5 at 10am CT** where you'll get a sneak peek of this book and can preorder it before anyone else!



## Celebrating IREF's 8th Annual Science Fair



The 8th Annual Science Fair at IREF was a testament to the creativity and intelligence of our students! With 102 participants and 45 projects, students worked in small groups with minimal teacher guidance due to IREF's packed schedule this year. Yet, their hard work and enthusiasm shone through as they confidently explained their projects.

Teachers and staff judged the fair, but every project was a winner in its own way, demonstrating a deep understanding of science. Students from IREF's other schools also toured the fair, turning the event into a celebration of learning.

As one student, Keerthi (9th grade), shared, "The science fair allows us to help teach younger students the subject of science and its importance." Seeing these young minds grow is a powerful reminder of why we do what we do at IREF!



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