



Dear Friends,

the heart and soul in sports”

12-20-2011

I praise God for your prayers and love, especially during this season of celebrating our Savior’s Birth.

“FCA at Kell has helped me to grow closer to Christ as I grew stronger in my faith through the team bible study. It has helped our teammates to grow closer in our faith and as a football team.” Chris Gaines, Kell Football

“FCA has affected my life by showing me how to love as Christ did. Lassiter FCA has produced leaders on this team who have bonded and produced a winning season”. Trenton Gantt Lassiter Football

“FCA retreat helped me to be a stronger leader for Christ Jesus as we reach the campus for Him while loving everyone as He did. “
McKenzie Land, Walton Lady Golfer

“FCA has helped me with my walk –to stay close to God during the trying times and the ups and downs throughout the football season.”.
Mike Collins, Wheeler Head Football Coach

“FCA has been instrumental this Championship year by support with prayers, food and, drinks, while bringing the gospel that fed us spiritually. FCA demonstrated common beliefs of the team– with prayer, faith and dedication to a winning season.” Tim Freeman, Chattahoochee Tech

We could write page after page of wonderful personal stories of those who have been impacted by God through FCA. You may visit www.fcaeastcobb.org to view a small portion of what God is doing through our Impact video. It is amazing to watch God work in the lives of coaches and students. FCA staff gets to see firsthand the impact of your prayers and support. Please know you are always welcome to join us to experience this joy at a practice, game or event. It is a privilege to be in the midst of God’s work!

We are thankful to be partnering with you through prayer & financial support. We praise God for providing the blessings that have allowed us to continue to reach thousands of students and their coaches with the message of Christ Jesus. I hope you see how YOU have contributed to what God has done through all of us. But we are only scratching the surface. We need families to see the vision & the mission of FCA, to give monthly to sustain the ministry statement. We are asking God to provide volunteers to mentor coaches and athletes, to lead bible studies, to assist as huddle leaders.

Our vision for the coming year is to go deeper with God, increasing small group Bible studies to every athletic team, increased camp attendance, to give Bibles to those that don’t have one... while bringing the FCA Leadership program to the forefront. Our “Heart of a coach” is focused solely on discipling coaches – giving them a biblical base for living built around three defining principles – heart for God, heart for coaching and heart for players. To be more specific, we are asking God to do a mighty work and bring more students and coaches to Christ this year.

We need your help in 2012 to disciple more lives one heart at a time. We ask that you join our Home Team by becoming a monthly Kingdom investor. Please go to www.fcaeastcobb.org then click the Donate Button or fill out the enclosed card. Commit to give a monthly gift or quarterly or yearly. We ask that you come along side to help grow the ministry. Your gifts or your time, talents and treasures will enable our ministers to provide Hope in the lives of thousands of students and coaches! We covet your support and your prayers.



In Christ,
Tom Joyner, FCA Coaches Director; East Cobb
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Prayer Requests:
 *Buy Bibles for those who have none.
 *Send an athlete or coach to camp.
 *Workers for local huddle or teams

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Mission Statement: To see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of Athletes & Coaches

Coaches Ministry Director:



Our objective is to have as many team Bible studies as possible. This happens through the partnership of local churches to help facilitate team Bible studies, team chaplain programs and provide character coaches. Coaches Bible studies have been very effective this year and will continue to grow. We hope to provide every coach and every athlete with a Bible and to increase the number of coaches and athletes going to FCA camps. We will be volunteer intensive by encouraging, equipping and empowering others.

What can you do?

- Pray – pray for our staff and coaches; you can pray over a list of the Coaches who work at your school.
 - Serve – Serve the local coaches ministry with your time or influence - Team chaplain or character coach, Lead Coaches or Team Bible studies, fund and serve meals or Gatorade. Contact the local FCA staff to coordinate.
 - Give – You can invest your finances into a Bible for a student athlete or coach, camp scholarship for an athlete or coach or a team meal or drinks for the team.
1. General Ministry fund allows me to minister in East Cobb.
 2. \$15 for coaches or athlete Bible (includes daily devotions)
 3. \$150 for camp scholarship
 4. \$175 for team meal
 5. \$300 for a Coaches scholarship (spouse)



**Elizabeth Greer
Speaks to a
Pope HS team**

****Remember that the influence a coach has is the one of the most important influences a student will have during his or her teenage years.**

FCA Vision: To see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of Coaches and Athletes.

FCA Mission: To present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.

FCA Values: Our relationships will demonstrate steadfast commitment to Jesus Christ and His word through Integrity, Serving, Teamwork and Excellence.

We are encouraged by new faces and potential new hires to the FCA Staff locally in Metro Atlanta and Internationally.

We want to welcome new staff:

Amy Turcotte, Cheer Director. She will be working with 10 Cobb schools (Allatoona, Harrison, Kennesaw Mtn., Mt. Paran, N. Cobb, Sprayberry, Kell, N. Cobb Christian, Wheeler, and Lassiter. Please reach out to her at aturcotte@fca.org or visit www.fcanwm.org to learn more

Tom Vigna, Coaches Dir., will begin part time with several schools in Cobb. Please reach out to him at tvigna@fca.org or visit www.fcanwm.org to learn more.



Others in Metro Atlanta are:

Jorge Vallejo, Soccer Ministries, www.atlantafca.org/soccer

Mike Shaheen, Dir. / Dom. Republic www.atlantafca.org

Andre Kravtsov, Dir. /Ukraine www.atlantafca.org (*Not new but God is moving in powerful ways!)

There are so many great things happening in the life of FCA - please plan to join us for local ministry or even take an International trip with us. If interested please contact: Joey Potter, Int'l Dir. jpotter@fca.org or visit www.atlantafca.org.

Thanks for partnering

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”

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