



# HOME TEAM SCOUTING REPORT

## My Favorite Season

I will admit that the Fall season is one of my favorites! The changing of the leaves, a cooler and crisp air, football, harvesting of crops, and the anticipation of my favorite Holidays. But I also love this time of the year, as FCA Huddles launch, Fields of Faith are held, and Team Times get into full swing!

I have been incredibly impressed by our students and Huddle leaders, as they are taking the initiative to make things happen. It was an adult leader and a handful of students who said, "We want to make sure Fields of Faith happen this year!" This year, I took a back seat and allowed the adult Huddle leaders and students to organize and lead the event.

It has been student leaders leading their teams in prayers before and after competition. One Saturday morning I received a picture from a coach, showing 85 girls circled up to pray before a Cross Country meet. Two weeks later, another picture was sent to me of all the teams in the NWOAL circling up to pray before the season ending league meet! And just this week, a young football player asked me to lead his team in prayer before Team Time ended. I love seeing these kids honoring and seeking God in prayer!

I have visited a few Huddles, observing and cheering on the students who are organizing and running their Huddles. At one of our newest Huddles, I just sat back and smiled as a senior girl led her peers through the Bible and the FCA Core book, challenging them to grow in their faith. They had a good conversation, as students discussed their faith.

One of the most powerful moments this fall was when a handful of students shared their favorite verses and testimonies with over a 100 peers at Fields of Faith. One senior girl boldly challenged her peers... "If you aren't feeling the persecution for having faith, maybe your faith isn't real." What? That's right, a solid wakeup call! These kids are challenging each other to boldly shine for Jesus!

Yep, this is one of my favorite times of the year! It's a Spiritual harvest! I encourage you to give thanks and praise God with me. Your support and prayers have been like fuel for this ministry! You are part of this team, and we appreciate you and all you are doing and giving to help the ministry of FCA!

God bless you...have an incredible Fall season.



*Rex Stump, Area Director*



We praise God for a great day of golf! On Saturday, September 23rd, 19 teams of golfers gathered on a beautiful day to help raise over \$10,000 for our FCA Leadership Camp and campus resources! Each golfer played 18 holes of golf, received a prize, and a chicken dinner. Raffle winners took home a lot of great prizes, and \$1,800 was raised for next year's FCA All-Abilities Camp, a

2-day camp for those with special needs! Thank you again for all who supported, gave, and prayed for our Golf Scramble. We will plan to hold our 2024 Annual Golf Scramble on September 21, 2024, so make plans now to join us for a great event!

**Congratulations to the top three teams that won that day:**

**Team Miller**

Dave Lersch, Gene Sugg, Chad Penrod, Rick Yoder

**Team Rychener**

Dennis Rupp, Justin Thompson, Mark Britsch, Scott Rychener

**Frost Insurance**

Josh Williams, Cameron Caryer, Jake Pezzin, Nathan Butler



# FIELDS OF FAITH

## FAIRVIEW LOCATION:

Wednesday, October 4th, student-athletes from Fairview High School gathered on their football field for Fields of Faith. The student-leaders encouraged others by reading Scripture and talked about what it means to go Greater this year. He must increase, I must decrease. John 3:30. Three student-athletes shared their testimony and Josh Inkrott from Miller City shared his testimony encouraging them that their identity is not in their sport but only in Christ and brings freedom for life. They rounded out the evening with praise and worship music and ended with the Gospel presentation. Pray that those who went to Fields of Faith for the first time will attend their Huddle on Friday mornings.



## 2023 Coaches Clinic

All coaches of every sport and competition are invited to our FCA Coaches Clinic. Speakers Lucas Smith and Clint Longenecker will challenge coaches to build an outstanding culture in sport, beginning with you, the coach. Join us for an engaging, equipping and empowering time!

- Saturday, November 11, 2023
- 8:30 am - Registration begins
- 9:00 am - 11:30 am - Clinic Sessions
- Location: TBA
- \$5 per person



Drinks and a light snack will be provided, along with coaching resources!

For more information, contact us at (419) 583-7013 or [rstamp@fca.org](mailto:rstamp@fca.org).

## WAUSEON LOCATION:

On Sunday, October 8, students from all over the area gathered for Fields of Faith, which took place at Dorothy Biddle Park in Wauseon. Fields of Faith is an FCA student-led event where students are invited to pray, share, and worship together. This year, the event had a great turn out in spite of Sunday night's cold weather. Students from Wauseon, Archbold, Delta, Evergreen, Patrick Henry, Pettisville, and Liberty Center attended this event and came together as one community. The night started out with students worshipping together on the baseball field, while the Pettisville FCA Huddle led everyone in a time of worship. Then, Wauseon senior Tate Wyse shared the Biblical story of King Josiah and spoke about the importance of Fields of Faith. Tate shared that the importance of Fields of Faith was to have a strong group of believers who are able to stand together against the temptations of this world. It was also shared that it is important to have a generation of students who are committed to reading the Bible and applying it to their lives. His words led to multiple students from different schools sharing scripture from the Bible and how it has impacted their lives. The night continued with personal testimonies shared by FCA Huddle leaders. To wrap up the night, students got into small groups of about five or six to pray with each other. Each group had students from different schools praying together for each other and their schools. As the small groups wrapped up, everyone gathered on the field, got into a big circle, and was led in prayer by LaRoy Martinez. The freezing weather did not stop Fields of Faith and the students who gathered together for a great night of worship.

- *Emily Holcomb, Wauseon High School Student Leader*

