



HOME TEAM SCOUTING REPORT

No Fear: Trust God

In the month of October we celebrate cooler weather, nature changing its colors, and harvest! Of course, there are others who celebrate a holiday of sugar and scares. I've often thought, as fun as Halloween may or may not be, why do we need a holiday to provoke an unwanted emotion of fear? In the book *Fearless*, I read of a story that happened on March 3, 1943, in London. Bomb-raid sirens blared through the air above causing people on the streets, and in their vehicles to panic and run for shelter. In the process of racing toward the Bethnal Green Underground Station, a young woman stumbled, creating a domino effect of people falling upon each other. In the chaos and desperation of seeking shelter, bodies piled upon bodies, and sadly, 173 men, women, and children died that day. No bombs had been dropped. Bombs didn't kill the people. Fear did!

Fear can cause us to run from dangerous situations or influence us towards making the right choices. But too often fear paralyzes us, fuels panic, causes us to do stupid things, and even keeps us awake at night. We think wrong thoughts; we make poor decisions. Fear of missing out, failure, loss, change, being judged, unknown, loneliness, rejection, not being good enough... the list is long.

But the answer to fear comes in a simple phrase. David...shepherd, warrior, king...said it best, "When I am afraid, I will trust in you." Psalm 56:3

David faced all kinds of fear, and in those moments, he went to the source of peace. God. He knew that the emotion of fear could arise at any moment, from any direction, but there is only one hope – God! When we are afraid – trust God! That's it! What does trusting God look like? Isaiah 26:8 says, "Lord, we show our trust in you by obeying your laws; our heart's desire is to glorify your name."

When we are afraid, trust God. We trust God by obeying His direction. That's hard, but that is how we can stay calm, when fears arise. I want to encourage you with these words, because we live in a scary world, and yet I'm being empowered and encouraged from kids who are acting in obedience to God! Kids! Like a little shepherd boy David, students today in FCA are facing world giants with victory, because they are striving to obedience! Praise God!

This month, be encouraged that students are finding courage and hope in trusting God! Praise God for all that He is doing! Thank you for praying and giving to a ministry that is helping students and coaches daily to grow in their faith!

Rex Stump, Area Director



Defiance College FCA Huddle has grown immensely this year! Student leadership has excelled in inviting students to attend, as well as sharing testimonies and leading in the Bible studies!



FIELDS OF FAITH

Fields of Faith is an annual student-led event in which schools all over the world gather on fields and courts to worship God. In the past, our area held one to two Fields of Faith events, gathering students from all over to one place. This year, our students are passionate about gathering to worship, and have multiple sites planned!

On Wednesday, October 8th, area schools from Williams County gathered for an evening of student led worship! Huddle leader Michael Wortkoetter from Montpelier directed the event, gathering student leaders from each school in the county. Students participated in reading God's Word, praying, and sharing their testimony! At the end of the night, many students came forward seeking prayer, and a change in their life!

A few nights later, Sunday, October 12th, another Fields of Faith took place in Archbold. Although the adult Huddle leaders helped organize this event, student leaders took the reins and led the evening with worshipping in song! Over a hundred students praised God, spent time in prayer, and were empowered by an evening of worship!

But wait, there is more! On October 26th, at 4:00 pm, Defiance County schools are gathering at the Niese Center (Defiance HS Baseball Field House) for food, games, and worship! This event is open to all students, including college students!

The final FCA event planned is that same night, October 26th, in Napoleon! The Henry County schools are gathering at Crossroads Napoleon at 6:30 pm for worship, bonfire, and fellowship. Three schools have worked together to plan this evening in which the Gospel will be presented, and God will be glorified!

Praise God for the spiritual movement that is taking place in our young people! As much as we may say this young generation has a lot of problems, they are also a generation that is bold in their faith, and courageous in seeking spiritual transformation!

Please pray for these students and their Fields of Faith events. Remember, the October 26th events are open to students from any school! Come, gather to worship, pray, and have fun with each other!



Williams County Fields of Faith



Archbold Fields of Faith

DEFIANCE COUNTY FIELDS OF FAITH

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES FCA

SUNDAY OCTOBER 26TH

FROM: 4:00-7:00

HOLD FAST

DHS NIESE CENTER

1755 PALMER DRIVE, DEFIANCE, OH 43512

BRING A FRIEND AND A LAWN CHAIR

HEBREWS 10:23

Defiance County Fields of Faith
 Sunday, October 26, 2025
 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
 Defiance HS - Niese Center
 1755 Palmer Dr.
 Defiance, OH 43512

FCA Bonfire Night
 Sunday, October 26, 2025
 6:30 pm
 Crossroads Napoleon
 601 Bonaparte Dr.
 Napoleon, OH 43545

NORTHWEST OHIO FCA BONFIRE NIGHT

Come worship, learn and enjoy community around the fire. Smores provided. Please bring a chair!

26 | 6:30
 OCTOBER

Crossroads Napoleon
 601 Bonaparte Drive, Napoleon

Reach out to your FCA school leader for questions