



# BECAUSE OF YOU, WE MOVED FORWARD IN OUR MISSION TO REACHEVERY COACH AND ATHLETE.



TO LEAD EVERY COACH AND ATHLETE INTO A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH.







# FCA AIMS TO HELP SOLVE THE IDENTITY CRISIS WE ARE EXPERIENCING IN OUR WORLD TODAY.

THROUGH THE EMPOWERMENT OF DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES, COACHES AND ATHLETES CAN ANSWER LIFE'S GREATEST QUESTIONS:

- **1.WHO AM !?**
- 2. WHERE DO I BELONG?
- **3.WHAT IS MY PURPOSE?**

# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

If I could summarize the 2024-2025 ministry year with one word, it would be growth. I've witnessed FCA grow in new ministries and in new environments, I've seen new athletes and coaches plunge into leadership and discipleship opportunities. I've been privy to the journey of interested volunteers who transition into full-time funded staff members. And, I've seen new life come out of existing places and spaces. We just keep getting better, we just keep growing, and it's all thanks to the hand of God and YOU! Your prayers, your partnership and your willingness to promote this ministry allows the vision to be fulfilled. The world is being transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes.

As we turn the page on another FCA ministry year, I have a renewed sense of appreciation and gratitude for the simple ability to execute our ministry. This year was about running the play to engage, equip and empower coaches, athletes and volunteers to accomplish our win of disciples making disciples. And here we are today, amazed at what God has done, one miracle at a time, changing eternity forever because we pursued relationships with others, all for His Glory.

I want to thank you for investing in our ministry this year. Here are a few highlights from the past year that you will learn more about as you continue to read this annual report:

- We hired 10 people to join Team FCA! The most I've ever seen in a single fiscal year in Greater Portland. Currently, seven more people are fundraising to join, too.
- There were 24 Huddle Leaders and 37 FCA staff and adult volunteers served 89 middle school students at Greater Portland FCA's annual Middle School Leadership Camp. Seven new salvations and 26 recommitments to Christ.
- There were 130 elementary aged athletes who attended our Power Camp in Portland South.
- At the All Ability Camp, 46 all-ability athletes were served with over 70+ adult volunteers and staff in Kelso, WA.
- Our annual women's event expanded to include FCA Sports teams for a multi-generational Huddle environment
- Greater Portland FCA had 24 staff mobilizing 631 volunteers to serve 2,361 athletes and coaches every week
- Oregon FCA had 44 staff who mobilized 885 volunteers that served 4,029 coaches and athletes weekly.

These numbers tell the story of disciples making disciples. I am excited to see what stories God writes through the lives impacted. As we begin another school year, Ephesians 2:10 has been on my heart: "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago."

Thank you for your investment, your prayers and your "yes." We couldn't do it without you.

The best is yet to come!

Kristen Rott



# SEVERAL POINTS ADDED TO THE SCOREBOARD.

## **GREATER PORTLAND**





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### **ON CAMPUS**

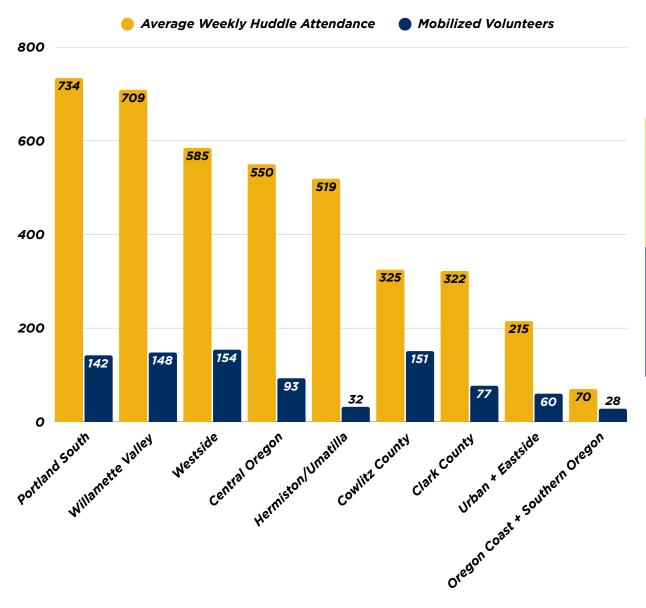
Coaches and athletes on college, high school and middle school campuses are being empowered to take the Gospel to their peers by leading Huddles where they gather regularly to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. The win of a Huddle is to empower key leaders to create an environment in the sports community where the Gospel is made known and lived out through intentional conversation.



### **OFF CAMPUS**

Where coaches and athletes are, FCA seeks to be relevant and present in these environments. The culture of sports has changed. The majority of athletes and coaches are competing off-campus through clubs, leagues, tournaments and in non-traditional environments. Regardless of the environment, the win remains the same: disciples making disciples.

# DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES





# **OFF CAMPUS**

FCA OUTDOORS TRIPS



FCA VOLLEYBALL TEAMS



FCA BASEBALL TEAMS



FCA BASKETBALL TEAMS

FCA FOOTBALL



**FCA EQUINE** 

FCA SOFTBALL TEAMS





# FIELDS OF FAITH

Fields of Faith is an FCA certified ministry program where athletes gather at sport environments in their communities to challenge their peers to read the Bible daily and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ and His church. Across the state of Oregon, there were four Fields of Faith that took place this past year! This ministry event has been catalytic in reaching the lost, building relationship within the community and creating space for powerful testimonies to be shared.

In Cowlitz County, a student named, Roberto invited someone who had been on his E3 Map, which is a diagram that encourages coaches and athletes to write the names of five people who they are close to relationally but far from God. Then, the invitation is to begin to pray for those people regularly and find ways to engage them with the Gospel. At the Fields of Faith event, the student that was invited accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior! Roberto then had the opportunity to pray for him as pictured below. This is the FCA E3 Discipleship Strategy being lived out! When leaders engage to multiply, not only are the lives of leaders impacted, but you see networks of people who can be transformed by the Gospel.

There is a hunger for the Truth within our communities and across our state and Fields of Faith has been an avenue that athletes can utilize to share how God has transformed their lives and invite others to follow Christ too. This November, there will also be a Fields of Faith happening in Tualatin, OR and we are looking forward to seeing how God will continue to impact lives for Christ through this event!



Bend, OR



Corvallis, OR



Longview, WA



Redmond, OR

# BATON PASSES, NOT FINISH LINES

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a leadership organization, laser focused on discipleship and built on partnership. The end goal is that the staff would be a resource to every ministry environment and the ministry itself would be sustained through people who love Jesus and are on mission to make disciples who make disciples. That is why we are focused on passing batons and not simply crossing a finish line.

FCA Staff member Kane Ulrich has faithfully served in the Cowlitz County area since 2016. He began his career with FCA as an Area Representative before stepping into the Area Director role after a few years. Kane recently shared, "What we've seen God do in the last nine years is grow our staff, develop a board and He's taken an area from one Huddle ministering to 15 athletes, to an area that's seen 30-35 Huddles, depending on the time of the year, ministering to over 450 coaches and athletes every week." Kane answered the call to minister to coaches and athletes in this community and it's clear that the Lord has done a mighty work through his "yes" over the years.

Just over two years ago, Alyssa Root joined staff as an Area Representative in Cowlitz County and has had the opportunity to learn from and grow in leadership while Kane has been overseeing the ministry. Alyssa is no stranger to FCA. She was deeply impacted by her mentor and former coach throughout her faith journey as well as through an experience she had at an FCA Camp. As Alyssa has been serving in various ministry environments throughout her time on staff, we believe the Lord has been preparing her to take the next step in leadership with FCA.



After much prayer and discernment, Kane and his family made the decision to move back to their hometown of Spokane, WA where they have extended family. Kane's journey with FCA is not coming to an end as he will be launching FCA in the Greater Spokane area. He is looking forward to following the Lord's leading and investing in leaders who are passionate about making Jesus known in their sport, on their campus and everywhere in between. In this transition, Kane has passed the baton to Alyssa who has officially stepped into the role of Area Director over Cowlitz County FCA. Leaders like Kane and Alyssa exemplify how discipleship doesn't have an end, but instead is how the ministry is sustained by engaging, equipping and empowering leaders who are passionate about seeing lives changed for eternity.





# ALL ABILITIES, AGES AND ENVIRONMENTS

God has opened many doors this year for FCA to do off-campus ministry in our efforts to continue meeting coaches and athletes where they are. Our mission states we will lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church. That means where there is sport, FCA will be relevant, present and impactful in those environments. From the ocean to the field, to the track, and beyond. Regardless of skill, ability, or status.

This was the most challenging undertaking I've ever attempted, but in the end, God showed up, as He always does. Lives were changed, hearts were healed, and eternal destinies were forever transformed.

-Randy Hutchins, FCA's Pacific Northwest Director for Outdoors and Motorsports





#### **VOLUNTEER**

Come see the ministry in action. Join us in making disciples that make disciples in across Oregon. Visit <a href="mailto:pdxfca.org/get-involved">pdxfca.org/get-involved</a> to GET IN THE GAME.

#### **GIVE**

Your support makes a difference! If you would like to partner with FCA through financial giving, your generosity helps us continue our mission of reaching coaches and athletes for Christ. Visit pdxfca.org/donate.

#### **PARTNER**

If you are interested in creating a lasting impact through legacy giving, we invite you to consider including FCA in your estate plans. To learn more, please contact PNW Regional Director of Development, Karly Wrede at Kwrede@fca.org.

#### **FOLLOW**

Give us a follow on social media. You can find us on Instagram, Facebook and YouTube at @pdxfca.

#### **JOIN FCA STAFF**

Join us in our mission to lead every coach and athlete into a relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.
Part-Time and Full-Time positions available. Please visit pdxfca.org/join-our-team.

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Together we can awaken a movement of discipleship that Oregon has never seen. Join us as we seek to reach every coach and athlete within every environment.