

South Central Michigan Monthly Newsletter - February 2025



PRAISE REPORT: GLORY

Happy February! We are so excited for all God has done in 2024, and where He is leading us in 2025. We started our huddles strong in schools all over our South Central region, including this group from Clinton! They talked about our theme this year, which is GLORY. This comes from 2 Corinthians 3:18 which says "And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit."

Check out our website sharing more about this theme around chasing glory, revealed glory, reflecting glory, and lasting glory <u>here!</u>

By the Numbers:

- 6 New Huddles in Monroe County!
- 2 New Huddles starting in Lenawee County!
- 1 New College ministry starting at Albion!
- 90 Students Came for Cocoa, Cookies, and Christmas!
- 7 Campground Teams at MIS in 2025
- Over 500 students hear the Gospel every week in our area!!!

Upcoming Events

Banquet April, 2025

Michigan FCA Sports Camp June 23-26, 2025 REGISTER

Coaches Time Out June 11-13, 2025 REGISTER

Buckeye Border FCA Leadership Camp July 19-23, 2025 REGISTER

2025 Golf Fundraiser August 9, 2025



FROM THE DIRECTOR:

"What is glory?"

Every year, FCA comes up with a new theme for us to focus on, for 2025, the theme is 'GLORY'. This comes from 2 Cor. 3:18 - "We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord and are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory; this is from the Lord who is the Spirit." I like this theme; I think there is a lot to unpack from this verse and the meaning of Glory.

The dictionary definition of glory is "high renown or honor won by notable achievements." So the earthly view of glory is chasing after fame and honor, striving to be the best at your sport or whatever you do. However, there is another definition of Glory, a Biblical definition that refers to "God's majesty, might, and attributes, as manifested in nature, in His providence, His laws, and His judgment." Look up the word glory throughout Scripture and see the bright-beauty of who God is displayed to us, or simply look around at His beautiful creation and see God's hand at work. I look forward to diving into this theme more and growing closer to God. Let's spend this year reflecting God's glory in our character instead of seeking after the earthly glory of trophies.

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FCA IS GROWING IN SOUTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN:

Director Eric Steinke visits JTV to talk about the growth FCA is seeing in South Central Michigan. Check it out below!



CAMPS

Don't forget to register for these amazing opportunities coming up!

MICHIGAN FCA Sports camp

at SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSIT

JUNE 23 - 26, 2025

CAMP DETAILS:

 Camp is for male and female athletes entering grades 7-12

SPORTS OFFERED:

- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Football
- Softball
- Tennis
- Boys & Girls Basketball
- · Boys & Girls Soccer
- . Boys & Girls Cross Country
- Baseball
- Archery

PRICING:

\$375

- · 4-Day Camp
- All Meals and Lodging Included
- Early Bird Pricing, Scholarships and Financial Assistance Available!



WHAT TO EXPECT:

- · Outstanding Speakers
- · Safe and secure camp conditions
- Top High School/ College Coaches
- Encouragement, hope, and inspiration
- · Growth in your sport and physical fitness

www.MICHIGANFCA.org/CAMP





Don't wait to sign up for this event. Already, 200 athletes have registered, meaning only 100 spots remain for the early bird registration! Watch this recap from last year's camp below:



2025 BUCKEYE BORDER FCA LEADERSHIP CAMP

GLORY

2 Corinthians 3:18

JOIN US AT FCA CAMP THIS SUMMER

Date: July 19-23, 2025

Location: Michindoh Conference Center, Hillsdale, MI 49242

Who: Boys and girls going into grades 6-12 (Fall 2025)

Cost: \$375.00 if registered by May 31, 2025

\$425.00 after May 31, 2025

Deposit/Fees: A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required upon

registration.

Register online at: www.bbfca.org/camp

Scholarships: Partial Scholarships are provided for students in need of financial assistance. All scholarship inquiries must be submitted through our Scholarship Request Form located online at:

www.bbfca.org/camp. Please contact your local FCA office for scholarship information if you are outside the five county Buckeye Border area in Ohio. FCA Leadership Camp is a five day overnight camp for student-athletes and students who serve as leaders on their local campuses and in their communities. FCA Camp focuses on teaching practical skills for Christian growth, the development as an effective campus leader and the training for spiritual, organizational and motivational tools for use in the FCA Campus Ministry.

For More Information:

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TIME OUT

JULY 11-13 WHITE CLOUD, MI



COACHES TIMEOUT

HELPING COACHES AND SPOUSES GROW IN THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH JESUS CHRIST AND EACH OTHER



Help Michigan FCA Support Coaches to WIN AT HOME!

Scholarship a coach and their spouse to attend the MIchigan FCA Coaches TimeOut (CTO) event from July 11-13, 2025 at "The Shack" in White Cloud, MI

Learn more at www.michiganfca.org/CTO

Coaching can be tough. So can marriage. The two combined are sure to put your best game plan to the test. Sometimes, you need to take a timeout.

Coaches TimeOut (CTO) is designed to help coaches and spouses win where it matters most — AT HOME. Michigan FCA seeks to provide an environment where couples can reinvest relationally, rest meaningfully and renew spiritually.

If a timeout can change the outcome of a game, what can Coaches TimeOut do for a marriage?

Since 1954, FCA has been serving coaches, knowing that they have profound impact on the lives of their athletes and in their schools and communities. A coach whose life has been transformed by Jesus Christ and is modeling God's Love in their marriage can be a GAME CHANGER!

Thank you in advance for praying about how you can support this event - to God be the glory!

Name of Sponsoring	Church/	Business/	Family:
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Contact	Person:
Email:	
Phone:	
	Yes, we will sponsor couples to this CTO event (\$400/couple)

- We would like to help FCA select the coach and spouse to attend
- Please send more information about volunteer roles and additional needs

A check can be enclosed and sent to the address below, or donations can be made online using the QR code shown!



Return response to: Matt Diener (mdiener@fca.org): Michigan FCA | 519 Park Place Dr NE, Rockford, MI 49341

HOME TEAM REPORT

Be sure to join us as we have our annual Celebration Banquet in April. We're working on final details, but this will be hosted at elem3nt church in Blissfield in April. We'll send more info when it's finalized, so be sure to join us for this great celebration!



MIS Michigan International Speedway The 2025 Michigan International Speedway NASCAR ministry planning has begun. There will be 7 campground teams ministering to the campers all race weekend. We will be serving coffee and cookies, passing out bracelets and Bibles, and building relationships with the campers. I am also praying for a partnership opportunity inside fan plaza that would allow us to minister to all the fans that come to the track.

I'm ready to see God work at the track this year!

Megan

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We are praising God for the growth and progress in Lenawee County. Both for spiritual growth and making progress in our existing huddles and adding new huddles. There has been such growth at the Addison Middle School huddle that they have requested another huddle focusing on a more in depth bible study. Onsted is adding a high school huddle under the leadership of a teacher who is also a high school coach. We are working on finding student leaders to step up when we launch.

Keep us all in your prayers and thank you all for your support.

Area Rep. Ryan Eddy



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Back From Break!

With winter break over our Huddles have returned to meeting







regularly. Here are just some the exciting things happening in Monroe County!

Trojan Huddle Launch

Monroe High School launched their first Huddle January 15th. They meet during the three lunch sessions. The first photo is of a few of the guys from one lunch who want to see this impact students at their school.

Cocoa, Cookies, & Christmas

Just before Christmas break Whiteford Middle School students came up with the idea for us to provide some cookies and cocoa to their classmates and share with them the Gospel. I brought the cookies and cocoa and nearly 90 students showed up to hear the Christmas account from the Bible. (Bottom two photos)

Expanding His Glory

God has been opening up doors to FCA in the schools in so many awesome ways. We are now in 6 High Schools and 2 Middle Schools. Please pray that we reach every school in Monroe County. We are meeting with more people every week and are seeing God make connections and open doors in new places for students to meet in their schools and discuss their faith. (Second photo is Ida's huddle)

We have also recently opened registration for our summer Sports Camp and Leadership Camp and students have already registered in the opening week. Pray for God to grow that impact.

In Him, Tony

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