



South Central Michigan Monthly Newsletter - May 2025



FROM THE DIRECTOR: Eric Steinke

Recognizing God's Glory in Every Blessing

One of my constant prayers is to recognize God's blessings in my life — to see His hand at work around me each day. I know He is always present, and His blessings surround us, but I long for a heart and perspective that continually sees His glory on display.

One way I'm learning to do this is by sharing those blessings — declaring them before others to point to God's goodness.

☐ A Joyous Upcoming Blessing

On May 17th, the glory of God will be beautifully displayed as I get to marry Stacey Knierim-Clark! The love we share is a gift from the Lord, and we are excited to enter into a Christ-centered union — joining our lives and blending our families, inviting Him to be at the center of it all. It will be a truly glorious day.

☐ Celebrating Ministry Growth

Another moment of God's glory was evident on April 28th, as we celebrated the incredible blessings God has poured out on our FCA ministry in South-Central Michigan over the past year:

We've grown to 30 Huddles across the region

We've added staff and empowered more leaders

We've witnessed lives changed through Jesus Christ

(See the Celebration Report below for more details!)

It's clear: God is doing more than we could ask or imagine. (Ephesians 3:20)

☐ The Harvest Is Plentiful

Yet with this growth comes great need. As Jesus said:

"The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." – Luke 10:2

We need you on our Home Team to help sustain and grow this abundant ministry:

PRAY – Seek the Lord on behalf of this mission.

SERVE – Consider becoming a worker in the field.

GIVE – Support this ministry as a sender.

☐ Be a Sender Today

God may be calling you to be that sender. Don't wait. Don't assume someone else will do it. We are praying for you — that God would stir your heart to give generously and faithfully to meet the needs of this growing ministry.

☐ Donate now by clicking on an immediate need below.

By the Numbers:

- 30 huddles in our region!
- Up to 7 Huddles in Monroe County which are averaging 190 students!
- 2 Upcoming camps have multiple students signed up-the Sports Camp and Leadership Camp!
- Over 60 volunteers to help at MIS this Summer!

Upcoming Events

Michigan FCA Sports Camp
June 23-26, 2025

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Coaches Time Out
June 11-13, 2025

[REGISTER](#)

Buckeye Border FCA Leadership Camp

July 19-23, 2025

[REGISTER](#)

2025 Golf Fundraiser
August 9, 2025

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**Immediate need to
raise about \$1000
Donate to MIS**

**Staffing
Development
Funds Donate to Eric**

**Final push to get
fully on staff Donate
to Ryan Eddy's**

EVENTS

Our Celebration Banquet was AWESOME! The 3rd year has seen continual growth every year.

Over 100 in attendance, over 60 nominations of student & adult impact leaders, plus now we have 30 Huddles in our South Central MI area. We were honored to have sponsors to help out with shirts, awards, gifts, and food. Chick-fil-A provided food, as our staff continues to grow too - Tony, Ryan, Jason (onboarding), plus Eric got to share about our ministry growth and vision for what is to come.

We are focusing on growing deeper as we grow wider this next year. We selected 4 Student Leaders and 4 Huddle Coaches to receive an FCA Impact Leader Award. We honored 5 empowered leaders who have served in the FCA ministry anywhere from 7 to 50+ years. Gave out a Legacy Award to the wife of the late Scott Earl, who made a ripple impact, influencing the lives of many students as a teacher & coach. Noah Beaudrie, collegiate-level athlete and founder/owner of Jesus+Football, spoke a beautiful message of the impact relationships make on & off the field, and how to be a leader. Bchira TV and Monroe County News Network are partners in ministry and were present filming student leaders to be broadcast on their media platforms. We have received many positive feedback, thanking us for a wonderful celebration event - to God be all the GLORY!



Check out the post from BchiraTV about our banquet: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1H5cDUPErp/>



Fields of Faith @ Whiteford last night 5/4/25 was a huge success despite the rain and having to move into the Gym. Fun games, wonderful worship, 7 student testimonies, and over 155 in attendance!

Be sure to make this Family Fun Night TONIGHT!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT



Christian Music



Games and Prizes



All ages welcome



Monday, May 5th



6:00 PM-8:00 PM



Allskate fun center, Jackson MI



\$8 admission, includes skate rental
(All proceeds go to helping FCA)

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is rolling into Jackson. Help us launch this ministry with a family fun night and fundraising event!



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ATHLETES

Fundraising Event

Allskate
FUN CENTER

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Please join us for a great event at MIS June 5-8th! We are also in need of prayers, donations and cookies! Find more information on our [website](http://www.allskate.net) or click the image below.

WELCOME MIS FANS

The volunteers from Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Motorsports would like to thank you for allowing us to show you God's love through serving you. We hope this page helps you learn more about the mission and ministry of FCA and how to connect with us in your local area.

★ Check out this National Article on FCA Ministries at MIS

Grab your clubs! We're heading to Devils Lake Golf Course and we want you to join us! Sign you and/or your team up [here](#) or by clicking the image below and be ready for a fun day of golf, food, fun and prizes. See you there!

FCA

2025 FUNDRAISER GOLF OUTING



**DEVILS LAKE
GOLF COURSE**

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 9**

**8:30 AM START
8AM REGISTRATION**

ALSO ENJOY:

- ✓ RAFFLE
- ✓ MULLIGANS
- ✓ CLOSEST TO PIN CONTEST
- ✓ MEET STUDENTS & LEADERS

TICKETS INCLUDE:

- ✓ SHOTGUN START
- ✓ 18 HOLES BEST BALL
- ✓ BREAKFAST
- ✓ LUNCH

LUNCH PROVIDED BY:



**ASK ABOUT
SPONSORSHIP!**

**\$125 PER
PERSON
OR
\$400 PER
TEAM**

Also, looking for sponsors at various levels - hole, golf cart, platinum, and basket sponsors. Click [HERE](#) or by clicking the image to register as a sponsor - Thank you for partnering with us in ministry!

CAMPS

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

Buckeye Border FCA Leadership Camp
July 19-23, 2025

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MICHIGAN FCA SPORTS CAMP

at SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSITY

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

GLORY
2 COR 3:18



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.bbfc.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.bbfc.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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Michigan FCA Sports Camp
June 23-26, 2025

[REGISTER](#)



COACHES 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: _____

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 (mdienes@fca.org): Michigan FCA | 519 Park Place Dr NE, Rockford, MI 49341

HOME TEAM REPORT

*MIS
Michigan
International
Speedway*

The race is about a month away. This year we will be bringing about 60 volunteers to MIS to share God's love with the NASCAR fans. I know a lot of cookies are already being made and other goodies are being bought as the volunteers are finalizing their ministry prep. Continue praying that many seeds will be planted this weekend and that the weekend will run as smoothly as possible.

Megan

Donate to MIS Motorsports Ministry

This month we were able to highlight what God is doing in our area with the Celebration Banquet. I am thankful for the adults who are setting the example of what it looks like lead and the students who are stepping up to lead as God is moving with strength and courage to be different in their world. We are looking forward to finishing the school year strong. My personal journey as the Area Rep has brought me to almost 95% support raised. Keep praying for God to move in that direction to be equipped to grow the ministry.

Area Rep. Ryan Eddy

Donate to Ryan Eddy's Ministry

*Lenawee
County*

Monroe
County

This month was another great month of seeing the Lord grow our area in depth. As we approach the end of the school year, some of our Huddle Coaches and older Student Leaders are preparing to hand off the Huddles to the underclassmen coming up. We love to see the continuous process of discipleship in our Huddles. Whiteford recently challenged their student to bring a friend, and the students answered the call, having their largest Huddle of the year and seeing that growth stay. We celebrated our student leaders and Huddle Coaches and remembered the legacy of Scot Earl at our Celebration Banquet. We are preparing for our Fields of Faith event at Whiteford on May 4th, with students from multiple schools serving in roles at the event!

In Him,
Tony

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