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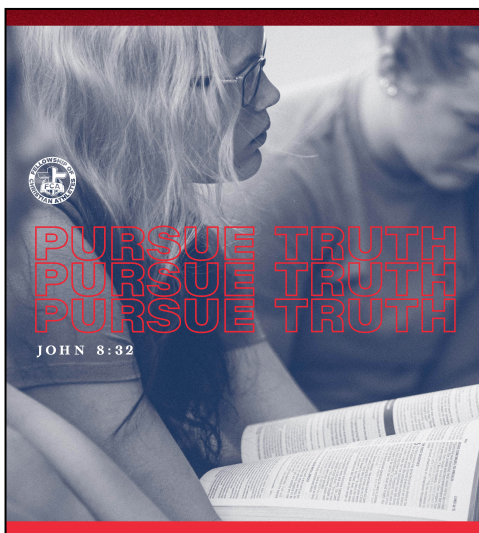


*"Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think*

*about things that are excellent and worthy of praise."* (Philippians 4:8)

Dear Teammates in Christ,

The new year has started off with some exciting ministry activities and we are looking forward to getting our spring and summer activities up and running. We have been so blessed by God as He has been putting us in a unique place to share His love and message with coaches, athletes, and students all over North/Northwest AL.



## HOME TEAM UPDATE

IN THE ZONE

We are beginning to fill our calendar with the spring and summer events, and we are so ready to get back to more in-person Huddles, camps, Bible Studies, and so much more. Mark your calendars for our Northwest AL Sam Rice Memorial Golf Scramble June 14th and June 21st – 25th for our Power Sports Camp in Decatur for 6-13 year olds, as well as July 12th for our North AL Coaches Golf Outing.

Over the last couple of months, we have been able to share with many area basketball teams and have started reaching out to baseball, softball, and soccer teams. We are thrilled to see God moving in these sport teams on their campuses.

As the apostle Paul suggests in Philippians 4:8 we should focus on the positive in whatever setting we find ourselves. We should fix our thoughts on things that are good and right and pure. We should do so on the playing field or campus, in our home or at work.

When we think of our spouse, our children, friends, employees, or coworkers—we should fix our thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. We should think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. As we seek to honor the Lord through the ministry of FCA, I encourage you to apply Philippians 4:8 to your life today. He is worthy of our praise!

Our committed FCA team is taking the unchanging message of Jesus Christ to our campuses, locker rooms, and arenas of competition using the language of sports with great effectiveness.

Thank you for your generous and faithful support. YOU are helping us put the heart and soul in sports as we impact the world for Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes.

Serving Him,  
Scott Tarver

## NORTH AL FCA



*"Trust in the LORD  
with all thine heart;  
and lean not unto  
thine own under-  
standing. In all thy  
ways acknowledge  
him, and he shall direct thy paths."*

(Proverbs 3:5-6)

This passage of Scripture reminds me that whatever path the Lord leads us on is always the best road for us to travel, even though the journey will be tough at times.

In October 2020 I was diagnosed with colon cancer. As I entered this season of my walk with God, I was/am fully trusting Him to do whatever He desires. Like most, I did not ask for cancer, but I understand God has a plan to bring Him glory through this. My job is to fully trust in Him wherever this journey leads.

After my diagnoses, I had surgery to remove the tumor in November



2020 and then started my chemo treatments the first of December. Near the end of December I had a few spots that were discovered in my liver cauterized. Then my January 2021 PET scan showed all the cancer was gone. Praise the LORD!! Hallelujah!!

As of today, I have completed eight rounds of chemo with four to go. I will complete my treatments the second week of May. I am doing well and so far my symptoms have been mild. I do get tired with each chemo treatment, but start feeling better after about five days.

During my off weeks of chemo I'm able to get out and see some of our area teams and coaches to share the

Gospel and encourage them. However, I really look forward to when I can be with them more after chemo is finished.

I am amazed at God's faithfulness through all of this. I don't doubt it. It's just really cool to see it in your own life. God has used so many family, friends, and the church to minister to my family through this season. Calls, texts, food, cards, resources, prayers, visits, they have all been a huge blessing for us. We are truly humbled and thankful for each and every one of you who have joined our fight. Thank you for being faithful to God!

In Christ,  
David Mote

## NORTH/NORTHWEST AL FCA CAMPUS MINISTRY

As we have navigated through this season of Covid we are excited to share that we have at least 31 FCA Campus Huddles that have continued meeting regularly on their school campus. Those that have not been able to meet in person have reached out through Google Classroom, videos, and their own social media accounts. We love seeing

their content and are blessed when we hear of their hearts to keep engaging, equipping, and empowering their campus with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are so thankful for the amazing administrators, faculty, and students that have chosen to persevere in these days making it possible for FCA to stay active in their schools.





## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

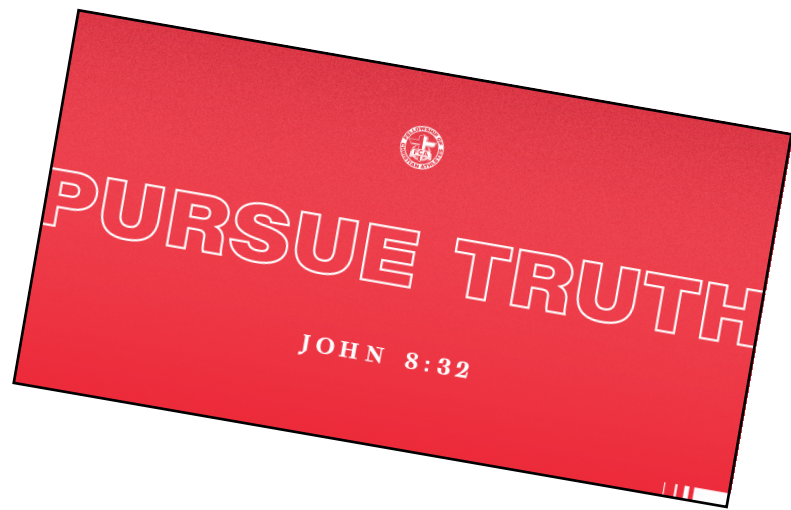


Leaving for Christmas Break there was definite concern that Covid numbers might lead to another school closure and sports cancellation, but thanks be to God that has not been the case.

Through all the ups and downs the 2020-2021 school year, including all the athletic programs, have pressed on. This pressing on has allowed us to continue to be on school campuses sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Everyone is navigating new territory and learning on the go, literally at times. The internet has shown itself to be a great tool in this day allowing us to pour into each others lives through a plethora of media outlets via a screen.

Bible Study has been able to continue. Connections have been able to be maintained. Our mission



IN THE ZONE

to engage, equip, and empower has not been stopped.

In Jeremiah 15:11 the Lord says, *"Surely I will set you free for purposes of good; surely I will cause the enemy to make supplication to you in a time of disaster and a time of distress."* Then in Galatians 6:9 the apostle Paul encourages us by saying, *"Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary."*

These are two verses that the Lord has used to remind me that Jesus came to set us free for good and He has called us to share the Gospel so that others can be set free for good.

Even in times of distress and disaster our purpose in our freedom remains the same, to do good. We are promised that if we don't grow weary, if we don't quit, if we just press on, we will reap. Jesus has promised that if we abide in Him and in His Word we will bear good fruit.

We see the proof of this fruit every single day. We see the proof of this goodness every time we are able to step on a school campus and share His Word with coaches and athletes. We see the proof of this goodness every time we see your continued and multiplied support of this ministry.

In Christ's Service and yours,  
Nicole Vaughn



## COMMUNITY

### POWER SPORTS

JUNE 21 - 25, 2021 - DECATUR BAPTIST CHURCH

MONDAY - THURSDAY - 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

FRIDAY - 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

camper Ages 6-13 years old - lunch provided - \$125 per Camper

#### SPORTS OFFERED INCLUDE:

ARCHERY	BASEBALL	BASKETBALL (CO-ED)
CHEERLEADING	FISHING	SOCCER (CO-ED)
SOFTBALL	TENNIS	VOLLEYBALL
DRAMA	GAMING	FAST FOOD

Register at [nwalfca.org/camp](http://nwalfca.org/camp)



#### FCA POWER SPORTS CAMP SPONSORSHIP

Decatur Baptist Church - June 21 - 25, 2021

CAMP SPONSORSHIP LEVELS JOIN US IN MAKING THE 2021 FCA POWER SPORTS CAMP A SUCCESS BY PARTNERING WITH US AND INVESTING IN LIVES. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO FCA, AND RETURN TO THE FCA ADDRESS BELOW BY FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2021.

PRESENTING SPONSOR	\$3000	15 SCHOLARSHIPS - CORPORATE SIGN
GOLD SPONSOR	\$2,000	10 SCHOLARSHIPS - CORPORATE SIGN
SILVER SPONSOR	\$1,000	5 SCHOLARSHIPS - ONLINE LOGO
BRONZE SPONSOR	\$ 500	1 SCHOLARSHIP - ONLINE LOGO
CAMP SPONSOR	\$125	ONLINE LOGO

#### FCA Vision:

To see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes.

#### FCA Mission:

To lead every coach and athlete into a relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.

#### FCA Values:

Our relationships will demonstrate steadfast commitment to Jesus Christ and His Word through Integrity, Serving, Teamwork and Excellence.

##### Integrity

We will demonstrate Christ-like wholeness, privately, and publicly. (Proverbs 11:3)

##### Serving

We will model Jesus' example of serving. (John 13:1-17)

##### Teamwork

We will express our unity in Christ in all our relationships. (Philippians 2:1-4)

##### Excellence

We will honor and glorify God in all we do. (Colossians 3:23-24)



#### Three E's of Ministry:

Engage - Equip - Empower

#### Four C's of Ministry:

Coaches - Campus - Camp - Community

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June	Softball Tournament
June	FCA Man Camp
June 14	Sam Rice Memorial Golf Tournament
June 21 - 25	Power Sports Camp
July 12	Coaches Golf Outing
Aug	Night of Champions

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