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## **AREA DIRECTOR**



"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,

We have been so blessed by God for putting us in a unique place to share His love and message with Coaches, Athletes, and Students all over North and Northwest AL. In January we started a couple new Coaches Bible Studies. We were also excited to send a couple of coaches and their spouses to a Coach/Spouse Retreat weekend in February.

It was an amazing weekend filled with praise and worship, great marriage strengthening messages, as well as two date nights for the couples. Our attending Coaches and their Spouses all expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to be able to spend time together and invest in their marriage.

The winter sports season was fast and furious. The Regional and State Basketball Tournaments and State Wrestling Tournament yielded some State Titles for a few of our schools



With the winter sports coming to a close, we have shifted our focus to spring sports. We have been on many campuses sharing with spring sports teams and continuing our campus huddles in this last semester of the school year. We are thrilled to see God moving on our campuses.

As the apostle Paul suggests in Philippians 4:8 we should focus on the positive in whatever setting we find ourselves: fix our thoughts on things that are good and right and pure.



On the playing field or campus, in our home or at work. When we think of our spouses, 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. Jesus is worthy of our praise!

Our committed FCA team is taking the unchanging message of Jesus Christ to the 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**



"The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; my fa-

ther's God, and I will exalt him." Exodus 15:2

The Lord is my strength. This is a truth that I will be clinging to in the days to come. As many of you know I was diagnosed with stage four colon cancer in November 2020. For the past year our family has been able to celebrate clear scans. However, my March 2022 scans revealed that my cancer has returned. This news has not caught



the Lord by surprise; therefore, we will rest in Him and keep pressing forward in faith.

I am excited to share that our 7on7 FCA Football Tournament is back on for this summer. I have been planning and preparing for this event for several months. This year's tournament will be hosted at the Point Mallard Soccer Fields on Tuesday, July 14th.

We already have several schools from both the North and Northwest

areas registered to participate. This is a great event for our community and for local schools.

We need men to volunteer for this event. We need men to pray over the Coaches and Athletes. We need scorekeepers, timekeepers, food servers, and more. If this is something the Lord is calling you to be a part of please don't hesitate to reach out to me

In Christ, David Mote

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**



"Blessed is the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavens in Christ"

Ephesians 1:3

I am excited about our FCA theme "EVERY" as it is focused on one of my favorite books of the Bible; the book of Ephesians. I began a study in this book in January with our Coaches Wives and Female Coaches. We just completed our study at the end of March.

I am also blessed to have been able



to share the truths given us in the first chapter of Ephesians with our female athletes. It is my greatest honor to look our Athletes and Coaches in the eyes and remind them of all the beautiful promises of our God in Christ Jesus.

In the craziness of life and the pursuit for success we can easily forget that our greatest blessings are not found in this world, but in our God. We are tempted to define our blessings by things we can see, touch, hold, and accomplish by our efforts, but these do not last. However, the blessings that are ours in Christ are ours the moment we believe and they are eternal. The blessings of grace, mercy, peace, hope, faith, and love never fade away, never run out, and they can never be lost.

In His Service, Nicole Vaughn

#### **FCA CAMP**

We are thankful to be able to host our FCA Power Sports Camp again this year. Power Sports Camp is for young athletes ages 6-13 who want to develop their skill in sports.

This camp provides excellent instruction and competition through sports-specific and multi-sport focus. This is a day camp that involves the local community. Campers are instructed by local High School Coaches and College Athletes. They also will be spending time learning who they are in Christ as middle school, high school, and college students share the Word of God with them.

The registration link can be found at our website, **nwalfca.org**, as well as on most of our social media sites. We look forward to serving our community through the FCA Power Sports Camp!

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## **POWER SPORTS**

JUNE 20 - 24, 2022 - AUSTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

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/SKILLS OFFERED INCLUDE:

ARCHERY CHEERLEADING SOFTBALL DRAMA BASEBALL FISHING TENNIS BASKETBALL SOCCER VOLLEYBALL FAST FOOD







#### **FCA PARTNER**

Our Summer Events are quickly approaching and we would be honored to have you come along side of us to partner with us in the ministry of the Gospel. How can you partner? I am so glad you asked!

Our first event is our Huddle Leader Training Camp on April 29th-30th. If you know a middle school through college age student that could serve as a Huddle Leader at our Power Sports Camp send them our way! Just text our office and we will send the Google form. This same form can be used for anyone middle school age to adult to sign

up to volunteer in various areas at Power Sports Camp.

On June 6th we will be hosting our Sam Rice Memorial Golf Scramble and Coaches Golf Outing. How can you help? Get a team together and register to come out and participate in the tournament!

As David shared, we need volunteers to serve at our 7on7 Football Tournament in July. This is a great opportunity for the men in our community to build relationships with the young men we see play out under the Friday Night

Lights, as well as their Coaches. We can make a huge impact in the lives of Coaches and Athletes by our willingness to support and encourage them in their sport and this opens the door for the Gospel.

We are also excited to announce that our Night of Champions is back! We will be hosting three events in August. One in Decatur, one in Florence, and one in Athens. As we look toward the summer, we would love to have you partner with us in participation, in provision, and in prayer!

#### **WELCOME NEW STAFF**

## **Aimee Breland**

North AL FCA Ambassador

## Parker Nichols Northwest AL FCA Ambassador

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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**

Apr 29-30 Huddle Leader Training Camp

June 6 Sam Rice Memorial Golf Scramble

June 20-24 Power Sports Camp

July 14 7 on 7 Football Tournament

Aug 8-10 Night of Champions

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