



A Summer Newsletter!

Sports Camp!



Come June, there is no greater hype than **Sports Camp**! 550 high school athletes, 80 huddle leaders, and 100's of coaches and staff descend on Bethel University's Campus to compete with a purpose beyond our own glory: **His Glory!**

Through practice and huddles, these athletes grow in their faith and sport.

Our huddle leaders walk closely with their students—**challenging them to grow in their faith, ask real questions, and take steps toward Jesus**. These moments go far beyond the camp schedule. In fact, many of these relationships turn into lasting connections that continue to encourage and disciple students throughout the year. **That's the kind of**

impact that sticks.



At Sports Camp, coaches sharpen skills, fuel competition, and root it all in **God's Word**. They know the connection between sports and faith isn't just real—it's powerful. **Every day, they share who Jesus is and what He's done**, both on and off the field.





Coach Gavin

I had the privilege of coaching alongside some of the most genuine and encouraging men—including **AJ Green of the Milwaukee Bucks**! Their faith, leadership, and character challenged me to grow as both a coach and a man of God.

Want to see more moments from camp? Click below to explore the full photo gallery and relive the highlights!

[Photos!](#)

Next Stop: Botswana!

Can you believe it? In **less than three weeks**, we're heading to **Botswana**! On July 31st, I'll be flying out with four FCA staff members, seven adult leaders, and Pine City's student huddle to Gaborone for a week of ministry we believe will be unforgettable.

We've spent months preparing for **three camps**—a basketball camp, a coaching clinic, and our very own FCA-style sports camp. It's going to be a full week of pouring out, showing up, and trusting God to move in ways only He can.



But we know the Lord will work in ways we do not expect! We need to be in tune to where His Spirit is leading us. We aim to be used by Him and that is not without seeking him in prayer **first**. Together as a team and in faith, we have been crying out to the Lord to move on this trip. To align ourselves with God and His Spirit. Where do you want us to go God? Who do you want us to see?

He's called this team, this moment, this mission. **And we cannot wait to see what He does—in Botswana and in us.**

Application Q's

- When is the last time you asked the Holy Spirit to guide you?
- How often do we ask the Holy Spirit to be apart of what we do?
- Where is the Spirit leading you today?

"In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the gaurentee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory."

– Ephesians 1:11

What a Year!

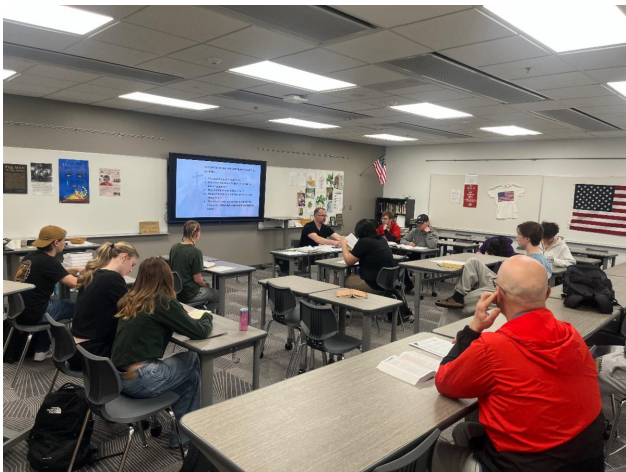
At FCA, we exist for one reason: **to see Jesus Christ lifted high in the world of sports**—through athletes, through coaches, and through all of us who say “yes” to His call. And this year? He's shown up in powerful, unmistakable ways.

We've watched Him move in locker rooms, on practice fields, in classrooms, and around cafeteria tables. Jesus isn't just part of the story—He's writing it. And we believe He's just getting started.

- This year, **Jesus brought new faces** into the FCA huddle at North High—students hungry for truth, for connection, and for something real. And they found it in Him.
- This year, **Jesus opened the door** for Irondale's Andy Peterson to step into the role of head baseball coach—giving him a platform to boldly disciple and lead young men on and off the field.
- This year, **Jesus sparked generosity** at White Bear Lake FCA, where students helped raise thousands of dollars to serve their school community. That's the gospel in action—faith that looks like love.

Story after story, campus after campus, huddle after huddle... one name keeps showing up: **Jesus**. That's our mission—to make Him known. If Jesus isn't at the center, we've missed it all. As you scroll through the photos below, remember: **God is moving. And He's not done yet.**

Get ready—next year's coming, and we're praying for even more.



North St Paul Prays for its seniors at their last huddle.



Mounds Park Academy digs into the scriptures on their last meeting of the year



Our Mounds View student leaders led a panel to answer faith questions along with Coach Redman!



Our Irondale huddle eating some grub at our senior Luke's house. so thankful for this crew!



Mahtomedi hosts it's last pancake breakfast, but it wasn't without fun competitions for the athletes!



White Bear Parents put on a breakfast spread the last friday of school. 100's of people celebrating FCA at White Bear Lake and listening to testimonies of the students!

Camp Season is Live!

Afton – Shepherd of the Valley!



This June, I had the incredible privilege of Directing our FCA Sports Camp in partnership with **Shepherd of the Valley Church** in Afton, MN. And let me tell you —it was unforgettable.

We welcomed 80 energetic kids for four action-packed days filled with competition, connection, and life-changing conversations. From crowd-favorite games like capture the flag to four-goal soccer, there was never a dull moment.



Our theme this year, **Glory**, challenged students to shift their focus—moving their chase of personal glory to living for God's Glory.

(Curious about the theme? Click the below button to learn more!)



What made this camp thrive were the leaders who showed up, gave their all, and lived on mission. Each was assigned a huddle of students to lead, pour into, and disciple throughout the week. **They didn't just guide games—they won hearts for Christ.** Many of them are involved in FCA beyond camp, and it was beautiful to see their passion in action!



GLORY



And here's the part that still blows me away: this "small" camp made a **Global Impact.**

We launched our camp's first-ever **international giving campaign**, and these campers stepped up in a big way—donating from allowances, birthday money, and even graduation gifts. When the dust settled, **we had raised over \$1,000 to support FCA's international ministry in South Africa!**

But Wait, There's More!

A Glimpse of the Kingdom in St Paul

This camp was more than sports—it was **evangelism, relationship**, and the **Church in action.**

At East Immanuel Church, we hosted a two-day Sports Camp to share Jesus with the surrounding neighborhood. We didn't know who would show up—but we loved every child who came, just as Christ does.



We played games, we laughed, we prayed—and **we pointed them to the life-changing love of Jesus.**

These kids reminded us of the Kingdom: joyful, wide open, and full of glory for our Savior.



Don't miss the Podcast!

Leadership Camp!

Leadership Camp is four days of faith and fire for Jesus! It's about helping students go deeper in their walk with Christ, step up as leaders, and share their faith with confidence.

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huddles, to crafting their testimonies, to living out your faith in real, everyday ways—students will be equipped, encouraged and empowered to make a difference at their school.

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Prayer Journal: Glory

- **Glory** for the Lord through our work in Botswana. That they would see us and know that we have been with Jesus
- **Glory** of the Lord in the summer months while our students rest and enjoy God's rest.
- **Glory** for these students coming to Leadership Camp in a few short weeks. That they may be transformed for HIS Glory and thus share that Glory with others.



Glory is something that we all receive at some point in life. Especially as athletes, **Glory** is all around us. It can be a temptation of pride for the athlete if they are not careful to measure **Glory** by God's standard. And there is where **Glory** to God is found. Because we are not enough, Christ died for us and was raised up in **Glory** on the third day. Now we also are raised with Christ and work so that others will see His **Glory** as well. What an amazing relationship and assurance of faith!

"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! for who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid? For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be **Glory** forever. Amen"

– Romans 11:33-36

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