



IN THE ZONE

LET'S GO HOME TEAM UPDATE

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AREA DIRECTOR

Hello FCA Teammates in Christ,

LET'S GO! "Let's Go" is the 2019 FCA theme and what a powerful phrase when we look at Matthew 28:18-20. "Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'"



As a partner of FCA "YOU go where WE go". As we have been blessed to have access to the campuses of North and Northwest AL, God has been so faithful to use the platform of Sports to allow us to share His Good News with thousands of coaches and students every year.

There are so many amazing God stories we get to see and hear almost daily. One I'll share with you is how a coach can truly make a difference when he just lets his students know he genuinely



Top Left Clockwise: Falkville HS Girls Basketball team popsicle blast. David Mote, Area Rep., praying with R.A. Hubbard boys Basketball team. Matt Daniels, Area Rep., speaking to Brooks HS Basketball team.

cares. We will call him Coach C and I'll give you the condensed story... Coach C facilitates the FCA campus huddle at his school and he genuinely loves his students. After each meeting he always tells them, "if you have questions, I'm here for you". Within the last 30 days Coach C has had two students come to him after their huddle and say they were not sure about their eternity. Coach C shared scripture with these two and led them in a prayer of salvation. Coach C told us "It's pretty cool, fish just keep jumping in the boat".

Other students have had spiritual conversations with Coach C and it's because

they see he is genuine...

Stories like this happen all across our area and it's so **AMAZING** to see **God at Work!** We know of 737 coaches and students that made decisions to follow Christ this school year through the FCA ministry of North/Northwest AL. **Praise The Lord!**

I can't thank you enough for partnering with us so we can **GO** and carry out the Great Commission. **Let's Go** as a team to fulfill what Jesus has commanded.

Serving Him,
Scott



Top: Nicole Vaughn, Area Rep., speaking to Elkmont HS female athletes.
Bottom: Florence HS Girls Basketball Team Bible Study group.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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NORTH ALABAMA FCA

I recently heard a message from the book of Ruth. In Chapter 2, after Ruth had left her homeland with Naomi, verse three says, "*And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz.*" Her hap was to be in a certain field at the right time.

Boaz just happened to be there that day and took notice of Ruth. Boaz eventually redeemed Ruth and her family. And Ruth, a Moabite, is in the lineage of Jesus Christ.

If we are faithful to do the work God has called us to, He is faithful to use us and put us in the exact place we need to be.

This is what happened to us in March. We were asked to help at a Coaching in the Trenches Clinic (Picture center top.) geared toward program culture. We got to work not knowing what to expect. About halfway through the clinic, Coach-



es were telling us "how they needed this, can I help you with the next one,

I'll help get more coaches here next time, thank you for doing something like this, I learned a lot from the guys you had speak,

etc." Just as God showed up for Ruth, He showed up for us as well. We realized we have great coaches in our area and there are many more coaches wanting to do it God's way, they just don't know how to incorporate it into their program.



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA FCA

January 2019 started off full of joy for Morgan and I as we welcomed our son, Luke Fenton, to the world! Luke was born on January 8, 2019, at 9 pounds and 10 ounces and is healthy to date! We are excited to have him in our lives.

The ministry at UNA is continuing to grow and develop! We are seeing growth from our Coaches Bible Study as our coaches have gone out and started studies with their student athletes. It's incredible to see the Spirit move among our coaches and it's so awesome to watch them serve the Lord on our campus. On top of this, we have now had the opportunity to speak to each of the teams at UNA at least once! The Lord is at work on campus

and it's only the beginning.

As March 2019 is here, it marks one year for me on staff with NWAL FCA.

It's been more than an honor to serve the Lord alongside all of you reading this.

This year has been full of growth, joy and opportunity. I reflect on the last year full of praise and adoration at what the Lord is doing in our midst, and the better news is that we have only just begun! Thank you for your support and prayers! Let's continue to see the transformation of life for Jesus!

Let's Go!
Matt Daniels



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

It was an honor to minister to our Coaches Wives as Mayle Pujol, wife to Tony Pujol, Head Coach of UNA Men's Basketball team, shared her heart at our March 2019, Behind the Bench lunch. (Picture center bottom.) I wish every coach's wife in our area could have heard her story and her love for



her husband and family, and faith in the Lord. Mayle

turned to me with tears in her eyes to say thank you for having these events as she explained how important they were to make available.

In April we will host Coaching the Bold and Beautiful, a coaching clinic specific to coaches of female athletes. Coach Missy Tiber, UNA Women's Basketball Head Coach and Ricky Allen, Alabama High School Hall of Fame Coach, along with several more local area coaches will be sharing their hearts and experiences.

It's truly a great time to be a part of the North/Northwest Alabama FCA. Thank you for giving, for supporting, for praying...it takes a team! In His Service & Yours, Nicole Vaughn

CAMP MINISTRY

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This year's FCA Camp theme is **LET'S GO!** and we're excited to announce registration is open for our 2nd Annual North Alabama Power Sports Camp at Cedar Ridge Middle School in Decatur, June 17-21, for campers ages 7-13.

The cost of camp is \$125 per camper. Sports offered this year include archery, basketball - co-ed, baseball, cheerleading, fishing - co-ed, football, golf - co-ed, soccer - co-ed, softball, tennis, and volleyball.

Area churches and businesses are partnering with us again this year to provide volunteers and daily lunches. The last day of camp, parents, board members, and sponsors are invited to attend a short program with a guest speaker, and lunch provided by Chick-fil-A.

Testimonies from our Coaches: "It went great! Helpers were perfect! Really respectful and helpful kids:)" Matt Stockman, Athens Middle, Baseball.

"I had a blast this week at FCA camp!" Samantha Riddle, Falkville High, Volleyball.

To register a camper visit our website at nwalfca.org/local_camps.



FCA Power Camp
at
Cedar Ridge Middle School

LET'S GO

June 17th - June 21st

Mon - Thur 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fri 8:30am - 12:30pm

FCA Power Camp is for
7 year olds - 13 year olds

FCA CAMPS 2019
MATTHEW 22:12-13

Register at nwalfca.org



Ministry Partner Spotlight

As partners in ministry, I hope and pray you see yourself as part of our FCA Team because you are a vital part of our ministry and we couldn't do what we do without partners like you.

This issue's Partner Spotlight is on a great lady, ministry partner, and friend of the FCA ministry, Mrs. Mary Love Eyster. She and her family have had a great impact on our ministry, and she is now rejoicing in Heaven. Miss Mary Love took her promotion to Heaven on March 15th.

Miss Mary Love and her late husband Mr. John

Eyster, were long-time friends and partners with the FCA ministry in North Alabama for more than 21 years.

The Eyster family's 20-plus years of investing in the lives of coaches and athletes has created a heritage and family legacy for generations to come.

Their life-long investments into the ministry of FCA has enabled FCA staff to fulfill the vision of FCA which is *"To see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of Coaches and athletes."*, on our school campuses and

during FCA camps

Their footprint is on our school campuses and FCA camps because they helped send and enabled our staff to share the Gospel message with 10's of thousands of coaches and athletes resulting in multiple thousands accepting Jesus as their Lord and Savior over the years.

The 20-plus years of the Eyster family's legacy is a blessing to the ministry of North Alabama FCA and we are so grateful for their friendship and partnership with the ministry over the years.



Mrs. Mary Love Eyster, long-time FCA Home Team Partner.

FCA Vision:

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

FCA Mission:

To lead every coaches and athletes 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)

Four C's of Ministry:

Coaches - Campus - Camp - Community

Three E's of Ministry:

Engage - Equip - Empower

Upcoming Events

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| April 25 | Coaching the Bold & Beautiful Clinic, Athens HS |
| May 31- | All-Star Youth Baseball Tournament, North Park |
| June 1 | |
| June 3 | NAL Qual Scramble/NWAL Coaches Golf Outing
Cypress Lakes Golf Course, Muscle Shoals |
| June 10 | DOC NAL FCA Coaches Golf Outing, Burning Tree |
| July 1-21 | NAL Power Sports Camp, Cedar Ridge MS |
| July 24 | 7on7 Tournament, Decatur |
| Aug. 3-4 | Power Leadership Training (PLT), Huntsville |
| Aug. 7 | NWAL Night of Champions, Muscle Shoals |
| Aug. 14 | NAL Night of Champions, Decatur |

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