



in the Zone! **home team update**

Upper Cumberland-TN FCA

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A Note from Coach Cherry:

*"To enjoy your work and accept your lot in life—this is indeed a gift from God."
Ecclesiastes 5:19b*

There were many gifts given and received over the recent holidays. My prayer is that in 2007 this ministry will equip our young people with the gift of knowing what the call of God is for their lives. At age 33, I finally surrendered to Jesus as Lord of my life. At that moment, I received a gift of peace and joy I had never experienced before. I have never been the same. How I wish that earlier I had heard the message of relationship versus religion that FCA brings. May our young people hear that message and receive that gift. *-Noel*



Cherry Family Christmas—2006

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COACHES

"I think FCA is important because many times it is the only place that students can hear about God. It is a tremendous blessing to work with these kids every day. I just try to be a positive influence on them."

Jamie Atkinson, Huddle Coach, Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Crossville, Tennessee



CAMPUS IMPACT

"Being an officer in FCA has allowed me to develop leadership qualities that will be an asset to me in the future. FCA has given me an opportunity to become closer in my walk with Christ. It gives me time each week to refocus on the thing that matters most in my life."

Chelsea Smalling, FCA Vice-President, Pickett County High School, Byrdstown, Tennessee



CAMP IMPACT

"Camp was such a blessing! I have really enjoyed this past week. It was one of the greatest experiences that I've had in a long time. My desire for the Lord has grown stronger over this past week. I can't wait to get back home and witness to all the athletes!"

David Smith, York Institute FCA, Jamestown, Tennessee



Principal's Perspective

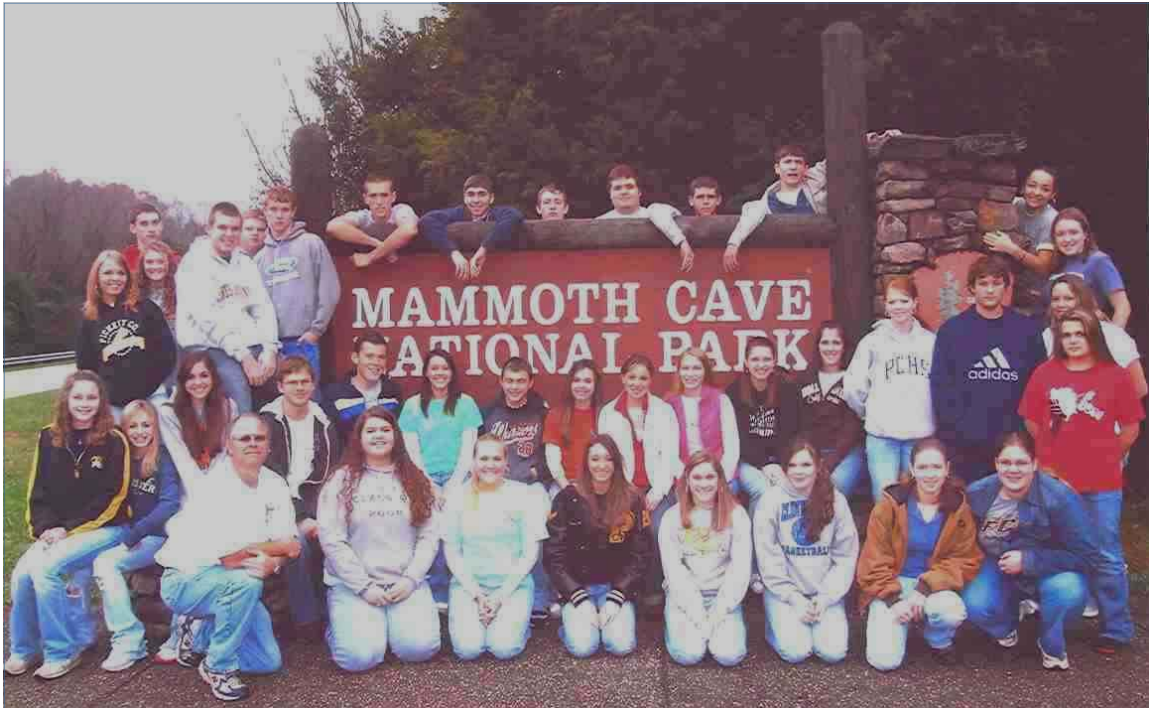
"FCA is like inviting Christ to be part of your school, living in our work area, and in the halls of the school. I found last year as we started an FCA huddle and as teachers became involved, our students saw us in a different light—as brothers and sisters in Christ. These kids are searching for something more—FCA is the vehicle to give them what they are looking for!"

Jill Ramsey, Asst. Principal, Algood Elementary School, Algood, Tennessee



OUR NEED—\$200,000 annually

"Let your light shine before men . . ." Matt. 5:16



**Pickett County High School FCA Huddle
At Mammoth Cave**

The Pickett County High School FCA Huddle consists of about 30-40 students who meet every Thursday morning. They're an active group, having a special out-of-school activity each month, such as the trip to Mammoth Cave. They finish the school year with a banquet honoring the students.

- "FCA means a lot to me because it gives you a chance to know God, even if you don't have a chance to go to church. FCA has been a great influence on me because after I leave the classroom, it helps me be more positive and have a better day." -Lindsey Owen, Treasurer

- "FCA gives me a chance to do some things for God to influence others in my school. It rejuvenates me on Thursday mornings and helps me finish out the week. FCA has shown me how to better stand up and stand out for God." - Deedee Storie, Devotions

- "Being in FCA has made me more open in public and to God. It's a great experience to be in this club. I've made quite a few new friends through FCA. Once I joined FCA I think I have become closer to God. I find myself praying about things all the time. So being in FCA has helped me a lot." T.C. Capps, President

**"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden."
Matthew 5:14**

