



Team **Grows** in Tampa

Over the past several months, FCA has been hard at work in the Tampa Bay area fundraising for new staff members. In Hillsborough county alone, FCA is in 43 of the 165 high schools. With one area representative in Pinellas and an area director covering Lakeland and the Tampa Bay area, FCA simply has not had the resources to pursue more ministries and maintain the ministries already established in local high schools. But, after much prayer and persistence, FCA has added one part-time staff member, Bethany Pigott, in Hillsborough County. Once more funds are raised, FCA hopes to hire her on full time and bring Pat Kavanagh in Pinellas on full time, as well as adding another staff member full time for the Tampa area. Thank you to all that contributed to make this happen! We are excited to grow our staff because that means the ministry of FCA for students, athletes, and coaches will grow and give us the opportunity to reach schools that do not have Christ. Please continue to pray as we raise funds to add more staff in the coming months.



Bethany Pigott

Tampa Annual Banquet Hits a Homerun

On September 21, 2009, FCA fans joined together for one united purpose; to celebrate the ministry of FCA and raise funds to add staff in the Tampa area. Ben Zobrist spoke about what God has taught him in his life on and off of the field. His wife, Julianna, joined him for the event and sang for the crowd. Overall, the banquet was a hit and many people responded to the need FCA currently has in Hillsborough and Pinellas county...more funds. FCA has successfully added one part-time staff member in Hillsborough county. Praise the Lord! A huge thanks goes out to everyone that sponsored tables and made this event possible. We could not do any of this without you!

FCA | Pinellas County Update

October 14, 2009, Pinellas county held its 3rd "Fields of Faith" at Seminole High School. Huddle captains from three different high schools shared their testimonies, and the Word of God for encouragement to everyone attending the event. Drew Wallingford, from Largo, shared his testimony first about how what FCA Leadership camp in Georgia had done for him to prepare him to lead at his high school. Next to share was Bryce Mardozzi from Indian Rocks Christian. He shared about how God has delivered him from pornography addiction and how twelve friends came alongside him to keep him accountable to what God was doing in his life. Jordan Wilson spoke after Bryce and shared about her experience from FCA camp as well and she challenged the crowd to live for Jesus everywhere they go whether its at home, at school, or in sports. Lastly, Tyler Stowell, a local alumni from Northside Christian, shared about how he has walked on the football team at USF and is now leading Bible studies with teammates and working with Athletes in Action in Tampa. The emails are still flowing in from this event!



(Left) Jordan Wilson challenges her fellow student athletes to share the love of Jesus in every aspect of their lives.

(Right) A combined total of 18 middle schools, high schools, and colleges attended the Fields of Faith event.





FCA | Pinellas County

- Currently in 30 Pinellas schools
- 15 weekly chapels with football teams
- 3 cross country and 3 swim team chapels
- Added huddles at St. Pete College, Osceola High, and Calvary Christian High

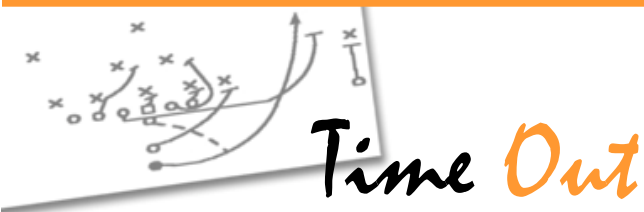
FCA | Hillsborough County

- Weekly chapels with Plant High School football
- Added a huddle at Steinbrenner High School in Lutz



Prayer Requests

- For God to open avenues for fundraising
- Continued favor within the school system
- For Bethany as she begins visiting Tampa schools within the next week
- For Glen as he makes new contacts to raise money for this area
- For Pat and Bethany's support goals



I would like to introduce myself since you will be hearing from me every month. I am the new staff person, Bethany Pigott, in the Tampa area. I am so excited to see what God is going to do in and through the wonderful ministry of FCA. An example of what God CAN do through FCA has been witnessed at Plant High School. Sam Marsonsek, former Major League pitcher, is the chaplain for Plant's football team. Right before Plant played their last game in the 2008-09 season, Sam offered an invitation to accept Christ. The entire room stood up. As a result, many were saved and two players were baptized on Sunday, October 25th. This is all of God's doing! God can do so much with someone who has a willing heart. We would love to give you the opportunity to volunteer as a chaplain in our public schools. Please contact me at (813) 380-4593 if you are interested.

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