



Dear Viper Fans,

Shi-Anne, Elijah and I hope that this letter finds you well. We have some exciting news and a new challenge which I would love to share with you. Since becoming a Tennessee Valley Viper and now an Alabama Viper I have fallen in love with the Tennessee Valley area. As long as I am capable to play at a high level I want to be a part of this organization, this team, this community and you the fans. Unfortunately, as a player, I cannot support my family just through football, so we are moving into another chapter of our life. This chapter includes playing football, as well as working with Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Northeast Alabama. During the season, FCA is going to allow me to work part-time hours then once the season is over I will be working full-time with students on local campuses.

My family and I are very excited about this opportunity. FCA reaches over 2 million people each year and it is the largest sports ministry in the world. Shi-Anne and I and many people close to us have spent hours praying and talking about this opportunity. We all believe the Lord will use our platform as an official staff member of FCA along with being the QB for the Vipers to impact numerous lives by being positive role models for young kids, teenagers and college students. I will have the honor of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ plus the opportunity to share in schools about the danger of using drugs, alcohol and nicotine. The FCA has a One Way 2 Play Drug Free school assembly program which is educating and challenging thousands of kids each year.

As you may know, FCA Staff Members have to raise 100% of all their funds and have now for over 55 years. However before one can start it is required that 100% of their first year budget is raised up front. This amount covers my salary, health insurance, operation expenses and administrative costs. In black and white I need to raise \$45,000 in up front contributions and \$15,000 in monthly pledges which comes to be \$60,000. We are asking God for this by **April 1, 2010.**

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The purpose of this letter is to respectfully ask that you prayerfully partner with us to share the Gospel and the message of abstinence with athletes, coaches and all whom they influence. As of today, I have \$10,000 already raised, which is very encouraging and confirms that we are moving in the right direction. Will you consider joining my Home Team, which will consist of our ministry donors? The attached pdf is a copy of our pledge card. This has a place for monthly pledges and/or one time gifts. If you are able and willing to be on my FCA Home Team, please make checks payable to FCA and please note on the memo to Kevin Eakin.

Shi-Anne and I have an overwhelming desire to challenge and inspire the next generations. We believe that through the vehicle of FCA, the Vipers and with your generous support we can and will make a difference in the lives of kids and coaches in the Tennessee Valley Area.

May God Bless You!

*Kevin Eakin*

*"We pray that God would have Kevin join our FCA staff. The kids and coaches connect with Kevin when they first meet him and are very receptive to his message of faith in Christ. What impress me most about Kevin is his humility and his extraordinary love for Christ and for those who don't know our Savior."*

*Ralph Keel, FCA Area Representative*

*"Kevin has been such a blessing to serve the Lord with over the past 5 months. I have heard only great things from everywhere he has been and having him on staff full-time will allow the FCA Ministry to impact numerous lives. Kevin has many gifts but his humility and unconditional love for people is contagious. Your financial gift will truly be an investment in the Kingdom of God."*

*Ken Burnett, FCA Area Director*

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