



Black Mountain Boys #1 2009



The Jackson TN FCA staff once again had the privilege of directing the Boys Black Mountain Camp June 8-12 2009. This year's theme was INSIDE OUT ...Change your Game! The scripture reference is Romans 12:2...Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

One night defined the whole week and that is the story I want to share with you. Each night we had team meetings with 400 student athletes & 70 coaches. Monday night we were blessed by Barry Washington (former gang leader), Tuesday night we heard from former super bowl player & Titan, Kevin Dyson, and Wednesday night Siran Stacy shared his testimony. Then we concluded Thursday night with Foster Christy (Auburn University). It was Wednesday night that the Spirit of God fell heavy on Heaton Hall full of athletes & coaches from all over the Southeast.

The night began with worship music from Herb Moon and his daughter, Danielle. A huddle leader testimony was next followed by a skit. After one more worship song, Siran Stacy, former University of Alabama running back, shared his testimony. Siran's testimony was wrapped around the theme of difficulties in Life. As he shared about fulfilling his dream of playing football at Alabama, you could feel his over-comer attitude and how God blessed him and his efforts. It was a day in 2007 that presently defines his passion to please God and obey His command to share the Gospel. This was not a message of health, wealth, & prosperity but one of Pain. Siran, his wife, and 5 children were traveling in a car when a drunk driver broadsided them killing his wife & four of his five children. Siran was fortunate to live after staying in a coma for 10 days. As he dealt with the loss of most of his family, Siran learned how to trust God with his present circumstances and respond in such a way that others wanted to know the God of Siran Stacy. As his story was unfolding, the students were not moving or making a sound. One young wiry athlete stood up and began walking toward the alter. When he was directly in front of Siran he dropped to his knees raised his arms and began weeping. His obedience had a domino effect on the rest of the crowd as athlete after athlete started forward. It was a "Jonathan Edwards" moment...no man-made motivated invitation but pure response to the power of God in that place. We saw over 200 student athletes repenting & weeping for God to change them for His Glory. For over two hours we experienced a "divine moment in time" that we will never forget. At the end of the night, we were blessed to have witnessed 128 first time salvations, and 84 recommitments to a deeper walk with God. God is still in the business of transforming lives. Thank you for making it possible for students to go to FCA Camp from West TN. It is a great investment with eternal returns!