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FCA CAMP

For the summer of 2023, SOS and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FCA, are partnering to sponsor 20 SOS teens to attend FCA Sports Camp at Texas A&M University. From June 29th to July 2nd our teens will have the opportunity to be coached by collegiate athletes and coaches who love athletics, but more importantly, love God. The teens will be able to choose from a variety of sports where they will be challenged to develop and perfect the skills they will utilize on their high school sports teams.

The camp's theme this year is "GREATER". Our teens will be challenged to receive "Greater potential, Greater Promise, Greater Performance, and Greater Purpose" through Christ and dive into these four key concepts to understand God's purpose for their lives beyond their sport. As they go through the book of John together, we expect God to transform the hearts and minds of our teens and bring them into a closer relationship with Him.

The Bible verses the camp will be centered on is John 3:30 to equip the teens with the strength and obedience to allow God to increase in their lives & what it looks like to go from performance to purpose! The teens will learn that their identity and worth can be found in something more than their sport and that who they are in Christ is far GREATER than what they do!

This summer, FCA has generously offered a partial scholarship for each student. Also, a HUGE thank you to Marshal Verne Ross & Frost Bank for their generosity & partnership. We are expectant for God to do BIG things in the lives of our teens, and we would love for you to be a part of it!

TAKING JESUS TO THE STREETS

AWARENESS MONTH 2023

During this year's Awareness Month, God made a way for our ministry to have two outreach events at Peppertree Neighborhood and Sandy Creek Apartments. We went door to door to pray for each resident and spread the love of Jesus. We held a Block Party in each neighborhood featuring music. food, incredible testimonies, fellowship and prayer! We also prepared and delivered OVER 500 BBQ plates to Peppertree and Canyon village and spent time in fellowship and prayer with the residents.

The presence of the Holy Spirit was so powerful in both neighborhoods. Jenna told us, "During the prayer at the Peppertree Block Party, a woman stepped forward and said, 'I'm not ashamed

anymore. I'm here and I want Jesus!' She asked for prayers for her son who was in prison and shared how God has already set her free from the bondage of addiction to crack. She said she's still struggling with alcohol, but the Block Party opened her eyes to the hope of Christ again

that sets the captives free! It was really beautiful to see the hope of Christ growing roots in her. She is now hopeful that the same God who delivered her from crack addiction is the same God who will release her from other strongholds & transform her heart!"

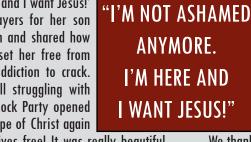
The outreach at Sandy Creek Apartments was also an amazing sign of God's work! People stepped out in faith to receive Jesus. Carmen shared, "A woman was watching the block Party with her kids from a distance. She was carefully listening to the testimonies that were shared. As JJ began calling

people to step forward and give their hearts to Christ, she got up and walked closer. Tears were rolling down her face and her hands were raised in full surrender! I prayed over her and she told me she sensed the Holy Spirit calling her and filling her with strength and thirst to get up and dedicate her life to the Lord! She said she'd never been to a Bible Study, but would love to attend our Women's Bible Study on Tuesday nights!"

God also blessed our BBQ Outreach this year! Carmen added, "As we were giving BBQ plates away at Canyon Village, a young girl told me she used to come to SOS as a teen. She was amazed that I recognized her! She had so much heaviness

> and brokenness and sounded so hopeless because CPS had taken her kids away. I hugged her and prayed over her. Through prayer, she surrendered her heart with all the pain in it to Christ, and allowed Him to heal her wounds and bring her restoration & peace!"

We thank God for the opportunity to reach out during our Awareness Month. Hearts received the Good News of the Gospel and confessed their desire to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ! Would you partner with us in prayer for God to continue to move miraculously in the hearts of those who decided to step out in faith and continue living in Christ? We are confident that God's good plans for Peppertree, Sandy Creek, Canyon Village and all the neighborhoods in our community will come to pass & His goodness will fill the hearts of many throughout the Brazos Valley!





Peppertree Block Party







Teen Girls One-Day Retrea

a Day with the King Teen Girls Retreat

On April 22, our Teen Ministry held its inaugural "A Day with the King" teen girls One Day Retreat put on by current teen girls & volunteers at the SOS building. The gym was beautifully decorated with floral arrangements, and nearly 30 teen girls, young ladies & some moms attended! The theme of the retreat was taken from the book of Esther to encourage the girls to know their true identity in Christ and how wonderfully they're created for such a time as this. After a powerful time of worship, our very own Carmen Maxwell shared her testimony and encouraged the teen girls to realize God has blessed them with the gifts and abilities to go on a mission for Jesus and share His truth with their friends and families.

After the message, the girls had a powerful time in prayer. One teen girl who had never attended SOS before ran to Carmen to share the heavy things on her heart. Carmen walked her through deliverance and she was able to receive Christ as her Lord & Savior! Another teen girl also experienced a mighty breakthrough in Jesus during the prayer time! She was feeling so low in spirit and felt like she was going through life all alone, but the retreat was a confirmation her heart needed! Through prayer, she received Jesus all over again and realized she doesn't have to walk alone when Jesus is the center of her life. She was encouraged to allow God to guide her to the people she could trust, and be aware of the enemy's plan that isolates her from God's calling on her life!

We thank Jesus that He made a way for all who came to receive His love at the retreat. We also thank our amazing volunteers who helped with this event, and Chicken Express for donating lunch! Your faithful YES allows us to continue investing in the lives of our teen girls and encourage them as they take bold and courageous steps in their walk with Christ in such a time as this!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20

Family Picnic

May 29

Memorial Day- Office Closed

June 30 July 1

Women's Ministry Garage Sale

July 10

On Location Begins











