

UN THE STREET

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FCA CAMP

For the summer of 2024, 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 "24/7". Our teens will be challenged to "Reset, Renew, Refuel, and get Ready" as they learn how to go from being overwhelmed by the demands of life, to living in the overflow that comes from time spent with Jesus. As they go through scripture and learn 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 are Luke 10:38-41, to equip the teens with the strength and obedience to allow God to increase in their lives & what it looks like to go from burnout and being overwhelmed to rest and renewal in God! The teens will learn from the story of Mary & Martha, that slowing down, abiding in the presence of God, and allowing Him to shift and reset our priorities brings greater joy and renewal to their lives!

This summer, Brazos Valley FCA has generously offered a partial scholarship for each student, but we are still looking for people to partner with us and sponsor our teens, so they are able to attend camp. Also, a HUGE thank you to United Way of the Brazos Valley's Youth Leadership Cabinet and the Marshal Verne Ross Foundation 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 praying with us for the life change that is to come!

TAKING JESUS TO THE STREETS

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. The following week, we held a Block Party in each neighborhood featuring music, food, incredible testimonies, fellowship, and prayer! Later in April, SOS volunteers and staff 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, "I have had the privilege of going to Peppertree for the last

four years. This year was different. There were new people there we had never met, and they were hungry for the Gospel. We got to meet them in their hurt, hear their stories, and they were receptive of the freedom that is found in Jesus! The environment of Peppertree was different, it felt as if the darkness had been lifted! Praise

Jesus for the ways He has moved and healing He has done in Peppertree!"

The outreach at Sandy Creek Apartments was also an amazing sign of God's work! People stepped out in faith to receive Jesus. Hailey shared, "After inviting people to the Block Party, I saw two girls hanging out on the outskirts. I approached them with high hopes for a warm welcome but was immediately given the cold shoulder. After some small talk, I asked them what they thought about Jesus and the oldest girl perked up and exclaimed 'Jesus is God and He is my friend!' Shortly after, Allison, SOS Children's

Director, came up to us and explained the extreme pain she had been having in her arm. I asked the oldest girl to pray over her, and by the end of the night, she was completely healed! The oldest girl was ecstatic to witness the miracles that God truly does and shared she now knows and believes God hears and answers our prayers."

God also blessed our BBQ Outreach this year! Rick added, "It's amazing to see the sons he raises up to be leaders and disciples. Some of the men that are leading in our Men's Ministry are men that were in these same positions of the people we are ministering to. I met a man while delivering BBQ that shared about needing to be in rehab. He was

> desperate and needed something to change. The week after BBQ Outreach, he came to our men's Bible study. He told us 'These are the kind of people I have needed in my life. I believe God wants to use this ministry to heal me. If I have God and these people, I am going to make it."

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!

"GOD HEARS AND **ANSWERS OUR** PRAYERS!"



Peppertree Block Party







Fully Known & Fully Loved Teen Girls Retreat

This past March, our Teen Girls Ministry traveled to the H4 Retreat in Round Top, Texas for the Fully Known & Fully Loved Teen Girls Retreat 2024! Our current volunteers and women from the SOS Women's Ministry served 12 of our teen girls throughout the weekend. The theme was centered around Ephesians 1:5, teaching the girls that they are already fully known and fully loved, chosen to be adopted by the Father simply because He wants a relationship with them and how that relationship changes the way they live in the world.

The weekend was marked with powerful worship led by some of SOS's own worship team. Ana Contreras spoke on Identity in Christ & who God says we are. She continually called the girls "Daughters" affirming their position in the Kingdom, encouraged the girls to be set apart, and walk with Jesus because He is worth it. A former teen girl, Vivian Fajardo shared how to walk in your identity in Christ and how to stand firm in His truth when life is not pretty. She challenged them to be honest with themselves and ask God to reveal anything in them that was not like Him. Vivian told them they have the CHOICE to be joyful and happy, or bitter, angry, and unforgiving. In Jesus, we can have freedom from things that hold us down. As daughters, we can be honest about how we view ourselves and how we feel about God. We can take these things to the throne room and to the Word of God to reveal the truth of who God says we are. Alicia, another former SOS teen girl, shared a dream God had given her and cast vision for the girls, letting them know God has so much more for them and to keep their eyes on Him!

The girls had fun exploring Round Top, painting canvas bags, having team lip sync battles, and 2-hour spontaneous dance parties in the cabins before bed each night! This group was expectant, tender towards the Lord, kind to each other, and "others centered". A little slice of Heaven in Round Top that will never be forgotten!

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The heart of this capital campaign is to create space for more families to experience God's love. We are excited to announce we have raised \$590,000 towards the Challenge Grant from the J.E. & L.E. Mabee Foundation! We need your help to raise the remaining \$300,000 before THIS October to FINISH the campaign! Visit SaveOurStreetsMinistries.org





UPCOMING EVENTS

May 10

CDL & High School Graduation

May 27

Memorial Day- Office Closed

June 14 & 15

Women's Ministry Garage Sale

July 8

On Location Begins











