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Story of Impact – FCA Baseball Players

“We had a Chaplin that first summer who changed my life on how to build my relationship with Christ. It wasn't about quantity, but it was about quality time in God's Word.”



-Connor Norton, FCA Braves '14 - '15, University of South Carolina Aiken '14 - '17

“I have grown closer to God these last two years with FCA and this has helped me become a better person not only on the field but also off the field. I am so grateful for this organization.”

-Matt Zimmerman FCA Power JV

“Summers full of tough conversations pushed me to want and need to know more about God every day. My prayer is that we as ball players will be able to have those tough conversations with one another that lead to a complete surrender and trust in Jesus Christ. Questions will come arise, but if we dwell in the Lord and seek him first, we will receive wisdom and truth that will push us closer to him. The game of baseball is one of the best tools we have to share the incredible love of Jesus Christ!”

-Bryan Klendworth, FCA Braves '16, Olivet Nazarene University

“Having the Gospel mixed with baseball was a new experience; it was a very powerful one too. It completely changed the way I viewed the game and the circumstances in the game. My coach taught me very well how to be content even in losses. He explains even today how to live to a standard not a score; applying this to baseball but more importantly the rest of our life. This gave me a valuable perspective that I needed desperately in Little League. I was no longer pressured to do my best all the time. I understood better the fact that we're not perfect and that we fall short of God's standard; and that it's OK. Even today I struggle with contentment, but this valuable lesson will stick with me as I move on to high school baseball and beyond.”

-Mason Edmiston, FCA Baseball Player



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“In sports it is often hard to find time to incorporate God, and being a collegiate athlete at a secular school, it’s often hard to find teammates who share the same beliefs. This summer playing for the FCA Herndon Braves helped me learn how to combine my faith and baseball while giving me the chance to make Christian friends and to talk about Christ with others. That experience ultimately gave me the confidence to be more vocal about my faith here at school where I have had the opportunity of starting an FCA here and sharing the gospel with my teammates.”

Ryne Caudle, FCA Baseball Player – FCA Braves ’15 – ’16

"Instead of fighting to keep my faith while playing baseball, FCA Baseball provided me the avenue to connect with people who shared my faith and my sport. It gave me the opportunity to develop my skills on the field while growing in my faith, which helped me learn to discover that my greatest joy was not in being identified as a baseball player but in being a Christian. Learning to compete while keeping God at the center is invaluable and while my baseball days are done, my identity remains the same.”

Felix van der Vaart, FCA Baseball Player – FCA Braves

“FCA Baseball has been a guiding light in my life. The program is filled with amazing men who are not only my coaches, but also my mentors. I am thankful for FCA’s influence because it gave me a safe haven to grow in my faith and in my baseball skill at the same time.”

Judson Tibbets, FCA Baseball Player

“FCA Baseball has helped me as a baseball player in many ways. FCA baseball has taught me to deal with failure on and off the field, to treat all on my opponents with respect, and how to play the game the right way. FCA baseball has also strengthened my relationship with Christ through the Bible studies before the games and the prayers before and after the games, win or loss. I believe that my faith would not be as strong without FCA Baseball.”

Kyle Burger, FCA Baseball Player – FCA Braves 1’14 – ’15, Frostburg Univesity



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“Two years ago I wasn't playing well and had an arm injury which lead me to have to find another school to play at. The options were limited. Faith was running low. That summer my girlfriend of over two years broke up with me when I was away playing summer ball. All these bad things were happening to me and I didn't know why. Somehow I came into contact with Mr. Burger and he gave me the opportunity to play for his FCA program. The FCA program gave me my faith back. I was praying every day. I forgot about my girlfriend for the time being, my arm stopped hurting, I found a school to play at, and I turned my summer season around as I lead the league in homeruns. FCA brought my faith in the Lord back to me. FCA is a great program as I continued playing for them this past summer and I am going to play for them again next summer as well.”

Alan Mocaabee, FCA Baseball Player – FCA Braves