



Home Team Update East Houston FCA

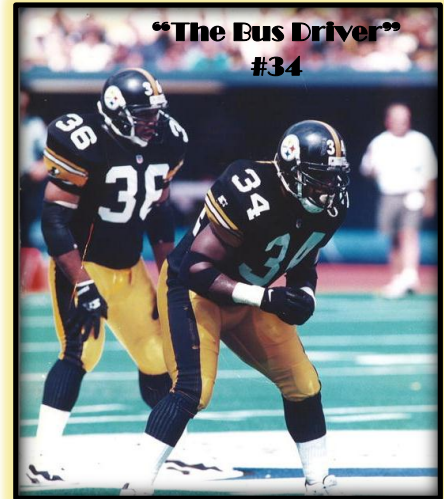
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"We love you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us." 1 Thessalonians 2:8

Former NFL Player Tim Lester Visits East Houston FCA

Former NFL Player, Tim Lester spent Thursday, May 12th speaking to approximately 45-50 student-athletes and coaches at Barber's Hill High School. After a quick trip to Kingwood, Tim addressed another packed room full of student-athletes, coaches, and faculty at Kingwood High School's FCA huddle meeting. The same afternoon he was able to speak to the KHS Football Team before their spring training workout. The next day Tim traveled to North Shore Middle School and spoke to 50-60 student-athletes at their Friday morning FCA huddle meeting.

Tim's message centered on his journey in athletics from inner-city Miami, to Eastern Kentucky University, and finally to the NFL. He began his professional career with the LA Rams, he played in the Super Bowl with the Pittsburgh Steelers, and finished his playing career with the Dallas Cowboys. During his eight year career in the NFL, he was known as "The Bus Driver," leading the way as Fullback (blocking back) for Jerome Bettis and Emmitt Smith. As a player, he was awarded the NFL's "Unsung Hero" award in the 1996 and 1997 for his community service involving youth. "The Bus Driver" nickname still applies to his mission in life, leading the way for today's young people. Tim captured everyone's undivided attention as he detailed his trials and struggles as an NFL athlete. He encourages the students by making them aware of potential consequences based on the decisions they make through evaluating what he calls "The 4 Plays of Life!" Tim closed his message with his new NFL mission... New Found Life in Christ!



Coach Bruce Taylor, Mike Roth, and Tim Lester surrounded by Barbers Hill High School 2010-2011 FCA Leadership Team



David Henson, Tim Lester, Denny Schwartz, Cornell Swain, and Coach Chris Eckford

A special thanks to Mike Roth, Tim's college roommate who is the Southwest Area Director of International Cooperating Ministries, for making Tim's visit to Houston possible. Also, a thank you to: Coach Bruce Taylor, FCA Huddle Sponsor at Barber's Hill High School, Coach Billy Russell, FCA Huddle Sponsor at KHS, Coach Dougald McDougald, Head Football Coach at KHS, and David Henson, from North Shore Middle School for their hospitality and help in making this ministry event happen. Last but not least, a BIG thank you to Tim Lester for his message and the gracious gift of his time to East Houston FCA. Tim you have blessed us all, thank you!

Attention...Coaches & Huddle Sponsors

*Wow! The 2010-2011 school year is history!!! Enjoy your summer!
Get some much needed rest! Spend time with family and friends!
Soak daily in God's words! PRAY!*

The Summer months are a great time to:

- ✦ Evaluate...Think through the past year FCA huddle and activities...What went well? How can we improve? Should we make any changes?
- ✦ Plan...For the 2011-2012 school year. Go to fca.org and fcaresources.org to familiarize yourself with all the great materials, meeting ideas, and devotionals FCA has available.
- ✦ Organize...Who are your student leaders? What are their responsibilities? Remind your leaders to go to fca.org and spend some time in Campus 101 to get leadership ideas!
- ✦ Recruit...Don't be a Lone Ranger at your school. Recruit other Christian coaches and faculty to get involved with the FCA huddle. Share the workload!

New Huddles:

As East Houston FCA continues to grow, we are excited and encouraged by the potential new huddles that will impact and influence their respective campuses in 2011-2012.

New Huddle Sponsors should:

- ✓ Complete a Ministry Leadership Application (MLA) which can be found at fca.org. It will take about 30 minutes to complete.
- ✓ Once your MLA has been approved...Begin the process of certifying your huddle.

Huddle Certification: Visit fca.org & click on register or renew your Campus, Group, or Team

Our East Houston FCA goal is to have 100% of our FCA Huddles certified in the 2011-2012 School Year. Existing huddles may recertify for a cost of \$10 per year. The initial cost for a new huddle is \$40, which includes a huddle training kit that will be sent to you in August. The Huddle Kit contains additional resources and information to help you organize and implement your huddle successfully. Many existing huddles choose to pay the \$40 each year because they benefit greatly from the information and help the kit provides. Huddle certification lasts one year August 1st-July 31st...so this is a yearly process. Schools pay for this huddle certification in many ways. Many schools cover the cost with fundraising events. Please feel free to contact your FCA Area Director, Denny Schwartz with any questions, concerns or financial issues regarding certification.

In addition to 100% huddle certification as a goal, FCA also requires each of our Huddle Sponsors to have an approved Ministry Leadership Application on file. (This can be found by visiting fca.org) Please have anyone on your staff that is actively a part of leading your FCA Huddle to complete a MLA online. There is no cost to you for this process. Thank you for your commitment to FCA!

I hope to see ya'll at Camp!
Look for our August addition newsletter
highlighting Texas FCA camps this summer!
Have a Blessed Summer!

FCA Upcoming Events

June 29th-July 3rd: FCA Sports Camp at Texas A&M University,
visit fcaCamps.org

July 7th-10th: Coaches Enrichment Conference at Horseshoe Bay
Resort, visit fcaCamps.org

*"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly
that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both
Lord and Christ." Acts 2:36*



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