



Reaching Teams for Christ

Top to bottom: Football practice at UTSA, Volleyball Game at UTSA, and Tennis Match at UTSA



Two things about a post pandemic ministry world:

- 1) It is way more fun!
- 2) Things are definitely different.

The fun part is that I am able to connect with athletes more easily now than at any time over the past two years. Students are on campus. Games are open to spectators. Coaches are open to outsiders. Players are not in a bubble. Praise the Lord!

This semester I've been able to connect with the football team, the basketball team, and the tennis team at UTSA. I've been able to connect with the soccer team at Trinity University and the baseball team at Palo Alto College. All are at different levels of connection, but all leading toward seeing lives changed.

The big goal is to have two players on each team praying for and intentionally reaching their teammates. I coach them and train them and go with them as they connect with their teammates with whom they have such close relationships.

The different part: I believe that these athletes and coaches, more now than previously, face hurdles to connection and community. This is just one of the issues which impact the strategies we use to reach people for Christ. I have become ever more convinced that prayer is the answer! I've become convinced that I need to pray *more than ever before* for movements of disciples making disciples on these teams. I'm also convinced that I need you to join me in this type of prayer!

People to pray for specifically: 1) Jacob on the UTSA basketball team. His words were, "I want to leave a legacy." 2) Joey on the baseball team at Palo Alto. He said he is going to try and find other Christians on each team there. 3) Luke at Trinity. He wants to grow and be used by God even though there are lots of distractions in the middle of his season. I don't have enough space to list them all so please pray for God to move!

I will be trying some new ways to keep you updated on prayer requests. If you don't receive my emails or texts, please let me know and I'll update your info!