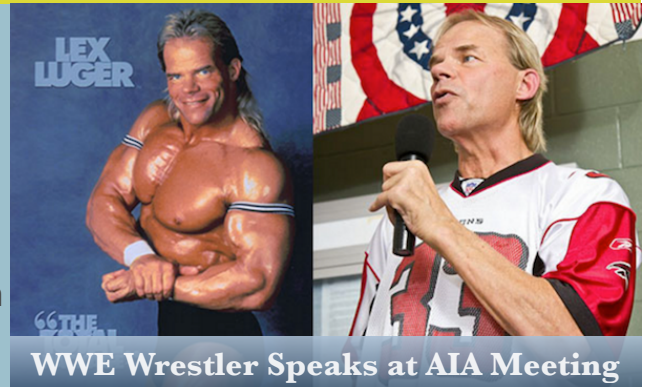




The Lamb Family

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Kind of a funny story... I am in an early morning men's Bible study and I found out that one of the guys is a former WWE Wrestling Celebrity, Lex Luger! I didn't believe it at first until I saw his action figure in Walmart, and a video of him wrestling and beating Hulk Hogan. I started telling Cru students this random fact and our student athletes were super excited to have him come share his grace story. When Lex came and spoke a few weeks ago the student athletes loved him! **They said he was the perfect example of someone who had everything the world could offer but still felt emptiness until he found God.**



WWE Wrestler Speaks at AIA Meeting

In general God has been doing some pretty incredible things in our athlete ministry at Daemen College. Around 2 years ago we wrote about a freshman volleyball player named Katie who came to me (Kevin) wanting to start something to reach out to athletes. Two years later and with the help of the Buffalo Bills outreach kick-off event, there is a weekly gathering of athletes growing together in Christ..



Katie: second to the right

This week I found out that the main reason Katie wanted to start Athletes in Action (AIA) was for her long time friend. **Katie grew up going to the the same school and youth group with her friend, but when they came to college Katie's friend didn't want anything to do with God.** So Katie thought maybe if there was some sort of athletic group for Christians, that would help her. To be honest at first AIA didn't help her friend. Katie was glad other athletes were coming and learning about Jesus but Katie was bummed it wasn't helping her friend. Then Katie's friend slowly started coming more and more. This semester you should have seen Katie's

excitement when she was telling me about her friend. Katie said "she has grown so much in her faith that she is now starting to help lead the weekly meeting with me". **Katie's friend said, "I am so glad AIA exists! If there wasn't a Christian thing just for athletes I never would have started following Jesus again."**

Katie has trusted God to start a movement among athletes at Daemen. There is a 1 week high intensity sports camp that AIA puts on each summer to help athletes understand how the Gospel impacts their sport and life and then bring that back to their campus. Katie was praying for 5 athletes to go with her and we thought that was a God number. Right now in Colorado there are 11 students with Katie at camp!!! This is huge! Praise God!! We are praying this is a catalyst to seeing athletic ministries started on all our major campuses.

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