

Butler Fall Kickoff

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The room began to fill up as we crept closer to the start. Athletes walking the halls of Hinkle Fieldhouse could see the Athletes in Action banner and smell the Chick-fil-A sandwiches. Curious eyes drifted over to the doorway and asked, “What’s happening here?” Then we invited them to join the kickoff with free food... a no-brainer for college athletes.

We had 80 athletes show up! Matt briefly shared how we are a spiritual movement of Christ followers among college athletes at Butler and across Indianapolis. A few students shared about being involved with AIA. We’re excited about what God has in store this semester.



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After much prayer and effort, our discipleship groups are up and running! These groups meet weekly to do three things: 1. study the living and active word of God 2. discuss how to apply it to sport and life 3. encourage each other toward life change. We have invited 82 student-athletes from three campuses (Butler, Marian, and UIndy) to join these discipleship groups. **Pray with us for commitment and passion to know Jesus and make him known on campus.**

Butler Football chapels

Another way we seek to reach and disciple Butler athletes is by providing home game chapels for a few teams — Football in the fall, MBB in the winter, and Baseball in the spring. Matt had the privilege of speaking at the first Football chapel with 35 guys in attendance.

He spoke on how do you view Jesus? Is he a threat, a lucky charm, or the Savior? We’re praying the seeds sown will grow as we water them and God causes the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6). **Pray that God’s Spirit will draw new faces to join the chapels.** Thank you for partnering with us in the mission!



Matt speaking at chapel