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The Fellowship of Christian Athletes was an idea born in Don McClanen's heart in 1947 when he was a student at what is now Oklahoma State University. He believed that athletes could use their platform of influence to present Jesus Christ to the entire culture in a powerful way. McClanen officially began FCA in 1954. The first FCA Camp was held in 1956 at Estes Park, CO with 256 athletes and coaches attending. The campus ministry began with the formation of FCA Huddles in 1966. Since then, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes has expanded into the largest sports ministry in the world.



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