



"For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come."

-1 Timothy 4:8

LET THE 2017/'18 SEASON BEGIN!

Week 1 of season training has come and gone, and we now start looking ahead to an exciting few months of practice and competition. Team rosters will be announced early this week on the HCYA Team App, so be on the lookout...

As we get underway, here are a few important reminders:

1. All players must read, sign and return the HCYA Hurricanes Policies document. Anyone missing last week will need to take care of this ASAP
2. Goalkeeper coaching is available for the first time this year, thanks to John Calderon. High school keepers are invited to attend on Tuesdays and Middle School keepers on Thursdays. We feel it's important for keepers to be coached specifically for their position, but also spend a full session with their team
3. Accountability is crucial. Several players have already communicated their unavailability for games due to previously scheduled events. This demonstrates both responsibility and respect, and is a big help for coaches in their practice and game preparations. Please refer to the Policies document for specific instructions on who to contact in the event of illness, late arrivals etc.
4. As always, each practice session will end with a devotional to help strengthen our faith. This season's theme is "Living by the Book" and 1 Timothy 4:8 is our anchor. As we go through the discipleship process, our focus will be on several "cornerstones" of the Christian faith:
 - Jesus Christ • The Word of God • Forgiveness • Life • Identity • Law and grace
 - Dependency • Truth • Freedom



"You can shut him up for a fool; or you can spit at him and kill him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come up with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great moral teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to."
-C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

Last week, we asked ourselves the same question Jesus posed to His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" (Matthew 16:13-15) There is no middle ground here. We cannot straddle the fence. He was either a liar, a lunatic or Lord. The claims of Jesus were so outrageous that these are the only 3 options available. So...Who do YOU say He is?

See you soon!

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