

We get are name from the most successful outreach in the history of Baptist churches <u>IAmKOINE.org</u>. We have not always been KOINE Sports our philosophy originated from Upward Sports but over the years I Bo Carter the director of Upward Sports and now KOINE Sports at Landmark Baptist Church in Jacksonville Arkansas, found that while upward was working for all of our participants it was not working in allowing us to reach our goal of providing a low cost option for all participants.

KOINE Sports strives on teaching the young children ages 4 years thru 6th grade the gospel of Jesus Christ through devotions and key impacting words such as Knowledge, Wisdom, Truth, Love and many more so while incorporating the words to go along with bible lessons during practices and gameday halftime devotions we found the biggest need came as not only a financial burden on the church but burdens on the families wanting to participate. Plenty of seasons have gone by and we have been able to financially back over 50 athletes at no cost to the families we have made great sacrifices in doing so along the way but our church has always had faith in the Lord to provide and every year we finish we have found through concessions and donations we have plenty left to take care of maintenance and improvements. So yes it would be easy to keep sticking to what we know but I have never been one to shy away from a challenge. Jacksonville Arkansas has a loving supporting community that now has its own district as of July 1, 2016 and July 1st happens to be my daughter's birthday so it is only fitting that I along with Landmark Baptist church do our own thing and move forward in providing every parent with a low cost seasonal fee to allow for more children to not score a touchdown, make a basket, or kick a ball but learn how there is always others out there to provide the athlete with the gospel in hopes one day he or she will accept the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and have the same faith I do in trusting everything is going to be great. I intend not to do small things in my life but to make this as big as it can be and if that means only have 50 – 100 kids every season then I make the small difference in a life that will last forever. If you have ever wondered what fun looks like you can join us on most Saturdays September through May and have a great experience seeing children from all makes and sizes having the time of their lives like a pro on Sundays.

Thank you for showing your support

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