

STEWARDING THE MISSION

Mrs. Lori Johnstone

POSITION: Head of School

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of California, Riverside | Juris Doctorate from Loyola Law School | Master's in Education with a dual specialization of Educational Leadership and Teaching from California Baptist University. She is ACSI lifetime certified at all levels and is also admitted to the California State Bar.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE: With over 20 years in Christian education and 17+ years in school leadership, Mrs. Johnstone brings extensive experience in academics, strategic planning, accreditation, and school development. She has served as a Head of School, Principal, Director of Academics, 4th grade Teacher, Middle School Language Arts Teacher, and High School Dual Enrollment History/Government teacher. Mrs. Johnstone has served on ACSI Accreditation Commission as a member and Chair, and has led and served on numerous Accreditation visiting teams with ACSI, CSI, WASC, and Cognia, visiting hundreds of Christian schools across the country.

HEART FOR STUDENTS: Mrs. Johnstone is passionate about developing students who not only achieve academic excellence, but who also grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. She believes education should prepare students not just for college or careers, but for a life of purpose, equipped to love others, think critically, and live out their faith.

FAITH IN LEADERSHIP: with a deep dependence on the Lord, guided by her life verse, Zechariah 4:6: "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord. Her leadership is rooted in humility, prayer, and a desire to serve others well, seeking God's wisdom in every decision and interaction.

STEWARDING THE MISSION: For Mrs. Johnstone, stewarding the mission means ensuring that every aspect of FCA is grounded in biblical truth and aligned with excellence. She is committed to building strong systems, supporting teachers, and fostering a Christ-centered culture where students are challenged academically and disciplined spiritually. She believes the ultimate goal of Christian education is to prepare students for eternity.

A PERSONAL TOUCH: Mrs. Johnstone's journey to faith began during law school, where she came to know Jesus personally, a moment that transformed both her life and her calling. She has since served as a teacher, mentor, and leader, faithfully following where God has led. Her heart for ministry, education, and leadership continues to shape the way she serves the FCA

community. She and her husband Steve have been married for 31 years, and have three children and two grandchildren.

ONE-LINER FOR FCA: At FCA, we are committed to developing students who love the Lord, pursue excellence in all areas of life, and live out their faith with purpose.