

MEET OUR STAFF

Crystal Jackson Family Life Center Assistant



Have you attended an event or class in the Family Life Center? Do you attend Sunshine Gang gatherings or the First Monday Movie? Have your kids played Upward Basketball here? If so, then chances are Crystal Jackson had a lot to do with making these—and many other— activities possible.

Crystal works with FLC Director Mike Molony to line up participants and make logistical arrangements for all sorts of activities. This process includes such things as opening and closing the building on evenings and weekends, setting up and cleaning up, chaperoning events, assembling and mailing information packets

and follow-up materials, putting together the monthly FLC newsletter, and spending lots of coordination time on the phone. Crystal is especially—even frantically—busy during Upward Basketball and Cheerleading registration, tryout nights, uniform sizing and ordering, actual games and practices, picture days, Awards Night, and follow-up with kids and family members who have made a decision to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. In other words, she's incredibly busy from early September through mid-March. Despite the demands made on her patience, stamina, and nerves, Crystal maintains an astonishingly cheerful presence. And as a former cheerleader (notice that smile!), she manages to coach budding Upward cheerleaders, too.

Crystal is married to Chris Jackson. She juggles her workload with parenting their two young and energetic children, Jason (age 7), who is in 2nd grade at Oñate Elementary School and previously attended Sandia's preschool for four years, and Addison (Addi, age 4), who attends preschool at Oñate Elementary's Childfind Preschool. Crystal was born in Colorado and has an identical twin sister and an older brother. In her spare time Crystal likes to ride horses, read, scrap-book, and spend time with her family. (Notice there's no mention of sleep...)

Before joining Sandia's staff several years ago, Crystal worked in elementary schools and childcare centers. Crystal says she enjoys her job and sharing the love of Jesus Christ. What more could we ask?