

'Full House' star visits area

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PLYMOUTH - "Full House" star Candace Cameron Bure spoke to a full house of worshippers Sunday morning inside Colonial Middle School.

The former television star turned born-again Christian was the guest speaker for Storehouse Church's Reach Sunday event.

Cameron spoke to a youthful audience of approximately 500 - double the size the church typically sees for weekly services.

Cameron is best known for her role as D.J. Tanner on television sitcom "Full House," which ran from 1987 until 1995.

Married to hockey player Valeri Bure with three young children, Cameron said she speaks at similar functions once a month, maximizing the time she spends with her family and not working. Reflecting on her life, career and acceptance of God, the sitcom star's speech was focused on pleasing the Lord.

She said she examined her life and her work and decided that she needed more rules in her life. "Christians are what they produce. I was producing nothing," Cameron said. "I thought if God came back, I would be left behind. And if I were to die at this moment, I'd be going to hell."

Cameron said that she had broken every commandment, and she was unclean compared to Jesus, even though she was a good person by the world's standards. She compared God to a judge who punishes those who sin.

"I broke the law - God's law - but Jesus paid the fine," she said.

Cameron said she now lives her life in gratitude to God and lives the way he would want.

"I live for God and not myself because I'm so thankful for what he's done for me," said Cameron. "God's plan is for me to be the best wife and servant and train my kids so they won't stray in adulthood."

Although she said she would consider getting involved with Christian films like her brother Kirk, Cameron said she is turning down roles to be a mother for the time being.

"There's so much garbage on TV today. And being a Christian, I couldn't act in a TV show or movie because it could make someone do something biblically wrong because they see me doing it, even though I'm playing a part," she said.

"I don't want to just talk and say I'm a Christian. I want to live the life and walk the walk."

After the church service, Cameron received a long receiving line of fans and fellow Christians for autographs, pictures and stories.

Four to six times a year, Storehouse Church invites guest speakers to join their services.

"We always try to get people that people who don't usually go to church have heard of," said Pastor J.R. Rushik.

"Candace had a message of hope and of life change. She connected with people here," he said. "She told of her trials, but also her triumphs."

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