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When I was in the fourth grade, I traveled to Europe for the first time. I was a member of a fife and drum corps, the Mount Vernon Guard, and we were invited to play in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Dublin Ireland. During that visit, I saw a professional soccer game and the accompanying wild soccer fans for the first time. I have been a fan ever since.

My favorite soccer team is Liverpool. They are one of England's most celebrated and decorated clubs, yet in the past few decades they have failed to win the league championship. They have come close; this year they were second by a single point. Last year, they lost in the finals of the Champions League, Europe's highest prize in club football. This year, however, they did win the championship of the Champions League.

At the beginning of every game, Liverpool fans sing a song. The title of the song is, "You'll Never Walk Alone." I find that is such a comforting notion in the spiritual life. It is easy to walk with those who rejoice. It is also easy to walk with those who tell us what they need. However, it is those moments of silence, grief, profound sadness, confusion and uncertainty when many feel that they walk alone. In the Scriptures, Jesus is frequently found walking with his disciples. On their mission, Jesus sends them out, two by two. Let us take advantage of every opportunity to share our presence with others so that in our community, neighborhood, school and families, no one walks alone.

Live Jesus!

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