



Don't tell Tebow this is all just about football. Tebowmania is about so much more.

Before the game yesterday, he met with 16-year-old Bailey Knaub from nearby Loveland, Colorado. The girl is battling Wegener's Granulomatosis, a disease that affects the vital organs, and has undergone six dozen surgeries, chemotherapy, and has lost a lung. She is the 13th "wish kid" Tebow has hosted at a game this season. "You know, I'm playing a game, but this little girl has had 73 surgeries and she's fighting for her life. That's real perspective," Tebow told reporters. "I'm very thankful for the platform that God has given me...because I have an opportunity to affect people," Tebow said during the post-game conference last night.

Aside from going on yearly mission trips to the Philippines since he was 15 years old, Tebow talks in hospitals, schools, and prisons here in the U.S. His foundation funds a ministry that supports 650 orphans. This offseason, he'll again visit the Philippines, this time to break ground on a children's hospital, a 30-bed surgical facility scheduled to open in 2013.

I'm a fan. Not just because I like the Gators, not just because I was at that incredible National Championship Game in '09, and not just because I met him and shook his hand last June. I'm a fan because of what he represents — what is good and decent about humanity. I hope and pray God gives him the courage to continue to walk his talk.



Tebow threw for 316 yards against the Steelers yesterday.

His average per yard was 31.6.

The peak in view rating was 31.6.

All of this on Jan 8, the three year anniversary of Tebow wearing John 3:16 in the 2009 National Championship Game which sparked 90 million Google searches for John 3:16.

Just sayin'.

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