HURRY!

Home Teams begin the week of September 1 and will quickly fill up...

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Here’s what others have said about their Home Team experience:

“When we first went to our home team, everyone was from a different stage of life and we were the youngest. But it was wonderful to see how we all had things in common and became friends. It was the home team that led us to begin attending Northway!”

— Jeremy and Alicia

“Being part of a home team has allowed me to fully enjoy serving on Sunday mornings without missing out on the fellowship and bible study I need and want for spiritual growth. It is a win-win deal!”

— Brande

“We were really enjoying attending the church and were looking to connect with like-minded people who were seeking the same things as we were. After the first meeting we knew we had built a bond with people with whom we could be comfortable.

— Doug and Ashley

“Our Home Team helped us meet more people in the church. Not only did we make good friends in our group, but they encouraged us to become more involved in other areas of the church by volunteering in ministries. Now we feel even more plugged in.”

— Dave and Rebecca

BECAUSE LIFE IS BETTER CONNECTED....
WHAT IS A HOME TEAM?

Home Teams are groups of 10 - 15 people that meet together during the week at a time and place of their own choosing to study the Bible, grow, and have fun meeting new people.

There are FOUR GREAT REASONS for joining a Home Team:

1. Studying the Bible in a small group will help you grow in your faith.
2. You’ll make new friendships or deepen those you may already have.
3. You’ll have a group of people who will care for you and support you in life.
4. You’ll have fun with other people who are going through similar experiences in life.

CONNECT!!

I would like to invite you to join us for one of our Home Teams for Fall 2015. If you’ve never been a part of a home team before, then you are in for a great experience as you “Connect with Others!”

Home Teams will begin the week of September 1 and conclude by November 30 so you don’t have to make a long term commitment. There are numerous groups from which to choose and we’re sure there’s an option that is just right for you!

Pastor Kevin

AS IRON SHARPENS IRON, SO ONE PERSON SHARPENS ANOTHER. PROVERBS 27:17

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)
GROUPS DESCRIPTION KEY

GENERAL GROUPS:
• Open to any age or life stage
• A great way to meet a variety of people

YOUNG COUPLES or YOUNG ADULT GROUPS:
• Refers to those in their 20’s or 30’s
• May or may not have children

COUPLES GROUPS:
• Refers to a broad range of couples ages
• Typically 40 years of age or older
• May include married individuals whose spouse is unable to participate at this time.

GENDER SPECIFIC GROUPS:
• Specific groups for men or women whether married or single
• Allows for studies and discussion specific to those needs

HOME TEAM FAQS:

What are the dates for the fall semester?
Groups will begin the week of September 1 and conclude the week of November 30.

How often does a group meet?
Some groups choose to meet weekly while others meet 2-3 times each month. These may include a social activity and/or a mission project during the semester.

What’s a group meeting like?
Most groups serve refreshments at the front end of their time together. Then they enter into their bible study which may be from a book or a dvd. Sessions are always very casual and conversational in nature with the leader facilitating the discussion.

How long are group meetings?
Most groups meet about 90 minutes including the social time - some meet longer, some shorter. It depends on the needs of the group.

Is there homework?
For maximum benefit, some studies suggest reading in advance to prepare for a session. It is not a requirement and should not prevent someone from participating if they don’t read ahead.

What about childcare?
Northway offers 2 options to assist families with children:

1--Childcare is offered on Sundays (5-8pm) and Wednesdays (6-8pm) at the church. Groups pursuing this option may meet at the church or drop off children at church and meet at a nearby home.

2--Childcare Reimbursement Plan - To assist our families we offer a partial reimbursement of your childcare expenses. Each couple or group can arrange their own childcare and pay the sitter(s) the market rate. At the end of the month, each couple or group can then submit a reimbursement form to subsidize their expenses. Downloadable forms are available online at www.northwaychurch.net - drop-down Menu, Home Teams.
Couples 
Time & Location: 12:15pm @ Bass at Rivoli (2x/month)
Leader: Paul & Christi Lader
Topic: Community
Why is community so important in your spiritual life? Because we grow best when we are connected relationally. God designed us that way. This study will explore how building good relationships will grow your faith because your story matters...to God and to the people with whom you do life.

Paul & Christi are married with 3 children.

Men 
Time & Location: 1:00pm@ Northway (weekly)
Leader: Gary Milton
Topic: Not a Fan
Not a Fan asks the hard question to determine if you are a “fan” of Jesus or a “follower” of Jesus. Through biblical teaching, anecdotes, and humor, author Kyle Idleman explores what it means to truly be a follower of Christ. As a result, in this wake-up call to radical discipleship, he challenges you to make Jesus not merely the object of your admiration, but the very center of your life.

Gary is married to Kathy and they have 4 adult children.

Young Couples 
Time & Location: 4:30pm @ Rivoli Oaks (bi-weekly)
Leader: Mark & Kristin Manning
Topic: Life is
Pastor and author Judah Smith believes Jesus shows us how to live life to the fullest. In this study, Judah completes the sentence with a key phrase in each session to show us the love of God that defies human logic and the life that God intends for us to have right now.

The Mannings are married with young children.

Young Couples w/ Children 
Time & Location: 5:00pm @ Northway (2x/month)
Leader: Corey & Jenn Cargle
Topic: Family Adventures
This home team will take a slightly different approach by planning activities for their families to enjoy together. In alternate weeks, the group will meet for bible study and then enjoy family activities as the group.

The Cargles are married with two young children.
**Young Couples**  
*Code: S-05*
*Time & Location: 5:00pm in Monroe County (every other week)*  
*Leader: James & Amanda Stankowitz*  
*Topic: **The Case for Christ***
Pastor and author Judah Smith believes Jesus shows us how to live life to the fullest. In this study, Judah completes the sentence with a key phrase in each session to show us the love of God that defies human logic and the life that God intends for us to have right now.

The Stankowitz are married with two young children.

**Young Couples**  
*Code: S-06*
*Time & Location: 5:15pm @ Westchester (2x/month)*  
*Leader: Kevin & Jaime Franks*  
*Topic: **The Meaning of Marriage***
Timothy Keller, with insights from Kathy, his wife of thirty-seven years, shows marriage to be a glorious relationship that is also misunderstood and mysterious. The Meaning of Marriage offers instruction on how to have a successful marriage and is essential reading for anyone who wants to know God and love more deeply in this life.

The Franks are married with one school age daughter.

**Couples**  
*Code: S-07*
*Time & Location: 5:30pm @ Thomaston Rd area (2x/month)*  
*Leader: Gary & Kathy Milton/ Dan & Chrissy Verdier*  
*Topic: **TBD***

The Miltons and the Verdiers both have young adult children.

**Young Couples**  
*Code: S-08*
*Time & Location: 5:45pm @ Lake Tobesofkee (every other week)*  
*Leader: Brian & Laura McGregor/Ryan & Christi Patterson*  
*Topic: **Sacred Marriage***
Pastor and author Gary Thomas asks the thought provoking question, “what if God designed marriage to make us holy more than to make us happy?” Sacred Marriage shifts the focus from marital enrichment to spiritual enrichment in ways that will help you love your mate more.

The McGreggors and the Pattersons are married with young children.
Couples
Code: S-11
Time & Location: 6:00pm @ Ashford Park (3x/month)
Leader: Phil & Penny Anderson
Topic: Christian
In this study, Andy Stanley explores the truth and fiction behind one of the most famous brands in all of history. Unfortunately, the words used to describe Christians today often bear little resemblance to what Jesus wanted his followers to be known for. Learn the one word that should be descriptive of every follower of Christ.

The Andersons have two grown children and one grandchild.

Couples
Code: S-12
Time & Location: 6:00pm in north Macon (2nd & 4th Sundays)
Leader: Johnny & Kathy Davis
Topic: TBD
Johnny & Kathy are married with two adult children and one grandchild.

General
Code: S-09
Time & Location: 6:00pm @ Northway (1st & 3rd Sundays)
Leader: Carl & Glenda Ellington
Topic: TBD
The Ellingtons are married with one adult daughter.

Couples
Code: S-10
Time & Location: 6:00pm in north Macon (2x/month)
Leader: Mike & Cathy Bazemore/Tom & Cathy Driver
Topic: Spiritual Warfare
Teaching directly from Ephesians 6, David Jeremiah explains the nature of spiritual warfare and describes how to use each significant piece of spiritual armor which God provides for us. The truth is we have already won through Christ, but the enemy still attacks. This study is the guide every believer needs to lead a protected and victorious life.

The Bazemores and Drivers both have grown children.
Parents/Workers with Children  
Code: S-13  
Time & Location: 6:00pm @ north Macon (2x/month)  
Leader: Matt & Donna London  
Topic: James--Practical & Authentic Living  
Study the most practical book of the Bible as James challenges readers to be “doers” of the word and not just “hearers.” His book becomes a guide to practical and authentic living.  
Matt & Donna are married with college-aged children.

Engaged and/or Newlyweds  
Code: S-14  
Time & Location: 7:00pm @ north Macon (weekly)  
Leader: Will & Kim Granich  
Topic: TBD  
Will and Kim are newlyweds.

MONDAY

Young Couples  
Code: M-01  
Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Bass at Rivoli (3x/month)  
Leader: Jeff & Candy Brown  
Topic: The Five Love Languages  
Dr. Gary Chapman’s bestselling book explains how people communicate love in different ways, and shares the wonderful things that happen when men and women learn to speak each other's language. Sessions focus on each love language and offers simple steps to express a specific language to your spouse and guide your marriage in the right direction.  
Jeff and Candy are married and have one young daughter.

Ladies  
Code: M-02  
Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway (weekly)  
Leader: Kathy Milton  
Topic: The Armor of God  
All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. Join Priscilla Shirer to be a woman dressed for the occasion wearing the Armor of God. It’s more than merely a biblical description of the believer’s inventory, there is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory.  
Kathy is married to Gary and they have four adult children.
College
Time & Location: 7pm @ Mercer
Leader: Ryan Knapp
Topic: **Catalyst: A study of Elijah & Elisha**
College is such an important time in life and students have a real opportunity to be a catalyst--an agent of change in the direction our culture is headed...for the glory of God. See how the prophets Elijah and Elisha were used by God as catalysts in their culture.

Ryan is a college student attending Mercer.

Ladies
Time & Location: 7:30pm @ Bass at Rivoli (every other week)
Leader: Christie Lader
Topic: **What happens when women say “Yes” to God?**
Lysa Terkeurst, founder of Proverbs 31 ministries, seeks to guide women to embrace simple obedience and watch it transform one’s life into a remarkable journey. It begins with learning to listen for His voice and discerning what He is asking of you. As one learns to say “Yes” we are able to discover the blessings God has planned.

Christie is married to Paul and they have three children.

TUESDAY
Ladies - Single or Married
Time & Location: 6:00pm @ Lake Tobosofkee area (1st & 3rd)
Leader: Shirley Douthit
Topic: **Kingdom Woman**
Best-selling author Tony Evans and his daughter, Chrystal Evans Hurst, call every woman to be confident in walking and living in the power of God. A Kingdom Woman begins by embracing a simple premise: Unless a Kingdom rests firmly under the authority of the ruler, anarchy reigns.

Shirley is married with two grown children and two grandchildren.

Couples
Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway (every other week)
Leader: Terry & Karen Partridge
Topic: **Too Busy NOT to Pray**
In bestselling author and pastor Bill Hybels's classic book on prayer, he calls both young and old to make prayer a priority, broadening our vision for what our eternal, powerful God does when his people slow down to pray.

Terry and Karen are married with two grown children.
Tuesday Groups

**Young Couple w/o Children**  
**Code:** TU-03  
**Time & Location:** 6:30pm @ Rivoli Drive area (3x/month)  
**Leader:** Tyler & Colby Garrison  
**Topic:** The Art of Marriage  
Every marriage is unique, expressed in the colorful personalities of each spouse and textured by the circumstances at play in their lives. Blending these to make marriage work is a divinely inspired art form. In this study, expert teaching, engaging stories, interviews, and humorous vignettes are woven together to portray the hope and beauty of God's design.  
Tyler and Colby are newlyweds.

**Young Ladies / Single or Married**  
**Code:** TU-04  
**Time & Location:** 6:30pm @ north Macon (2x/month)  
**Leader:** Anne Doyle  
**Topic:** TBD

Anne is married and the mother of three grown children. She and Buddy have seven grandchildren.

**Men**  
**Code:** TU-05  
**Time & Location:** 6:30pm @ Northway (weekly)  
**Leader:** Buddy Doyle & Rick Waite  
**Topic:** Fight  
Pastor and author Craig Groeschel helps you uncover who you truly are—a man created in the image of God with a warrior's heart. You will find the strength to fight the battles that matter most—protecting your heart, the quality of your marriage, and the spiritual health of your family.  
Buddy is married with three children and seven grandchildren. Rick is married with two adult children and grandchildren.

**Young Ladies / Single or Married**  
**Code:** TU-06  
**Time & Location:** 7:00pm @ north Macon  
**Leader:** Faith Cagle Smith  
**Topic:** What Love Is  
Author Kelly Minter reveals that the letters of 1, 2, & 3 John were written to encourage followers of Jesus to remain faithful to the truth. Believers are challenged to look at contrasting themes such as walking in the light instead of darkness, truth versus lies and deception, loving God more than loving the world, and the meaning of true fellowship and community rather than shallowness. This study reveals not only the heart of John but also the heart of Jesus.  
Faith is newly married.
Young Couples

**Code: W-02**

**Time & Location:** 6:15pm @ Castigate (weekly)

**Leader:** Clint & Jeanne Harrison/Matthew & Kim Michael

**Topic:** Crazy Busy

"I'm too busy." Most of us have probably used that excuse before. With warmth, humor, and honesty, Kevin DeYoung explains why a life of constant chaos is far from what God intends, and helps you strike a balance between doing nothing and doing everything. Discover the restful cure you've been too busy to find!

The Harrisons are married with three young daughters while the Michaels are married with three young boys... (Interesting!)

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Young Adults / Single or Married

**Code: W-04**

**Time & Location:** 6:30pm @ Northway (weekly)

**Leader:** Russ & Lindsey Brown

**Topic:** TBD

Russ and Lindsey are married with one child.

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General

**Code: W-01**

**Time & Location:** 6:00pm @ Northway (weekly)

**Leader:** Linda Larsen

**Topic:** The Gospels

After spending two years working through the Old Testament, the Larsen group will begin studying the New Testament starting with the Gospels.

Linda is married to Gene and they have two children and several grandchildren.

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General

**Code: W-03**

**Time & Location:** 6:15pm @ Northway (weekly)

**Leader:** Calvin Palmer

**Topic:** Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University

We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan! It teaches God's ways of handling money. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more!

Calvin is married with three grown children and one grandchild.

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General

**Code: W-05**

**Time & Location:** 6:30pm @ Northway (2x/month)

**Leader:** The Graves Home Team led by Wanda Schroeder

**Topic:** Defining Moments

In this series taught by Andy Stanley, take a look at different characters from the Bible who experienced defining moments that changed their lives. It's the same kinds of moments many of us face in our lifetimes and force us to make a decision. Regardless of the choice made, we will never be the same.

Wanda is married with three children college age and up.

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Sign up online at www.northwaychurch.net
Couples  Code: W-06
Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Wesleyan Drive area (2x/month)
Leader: Danny & Charis Walker
Topic:  Go Fish
This study will help take the struggle out of sharing your faith. Andy Stanley explores the
motivation behind sharing ones faith and how it can become a natural part of your life.
The Walkers are married with grown children and two grandchildren.

Couples  Code: TH-06
Time & Location: 6:30pm @ The Adrien apartments (2x/month)
Leader: Fred Morgan
Topic:  Jesus > Religion
This study by Jefferson Bethke will help readers abandon dead, dry, rule-keeping (religion) and
embrace the promise of being truly known and deeply loved (Jesus). The study unpacks and highlights
the difference between teeth gritting and grace, law and love, performance and peace, despair and
hope.
Fred is married with adult daughters.

Young Adults / Married or Single  Code: TH-02
Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Bolingbroke (every other week)
Leader: Malcolm & Amy Walthall
Topic:  Jesus > Religion
This study by Jefferson Bethke will help readers abandon dead, dry, rule-keeping (religion) and
embrace the promise of being truly known and deeply loved (Jesus). The study unpacks and highlights
the difference between teeth gritting and grace, law and love, performance and peace,
despair and hope.
Malcolm and Amy are married with one young daughter.

Couples  Code: TH-03
Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Rivoli Downs (weekly)
Leader: Keith & Tricia Holmes
Topic:  Counter Culture
In this day when social issues are creating clear dividing lines in society, moral and political neutrality is
not an option for those who believe the gospel. Join David Platt as he invites us to fix our gaze on the
holiness, goodness, love, truth, justice, authority, and mercy of God revealed in the gospel and to live
with conviction, courage, and compassion in the midst of a culture that is drifting further from the truth
every day.
The Holmes are married with two newly married sons.
HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1—On Sunday mornings
Look through the catalog listing of groups and identify two or three options that appeal to you. Then indicate your choices on the Communication Card in the bulletin.

2—Online
On our website, www.northwaychurch.net, go to the Home Teams plug-in in the drop-down Menu. There you will find the listing of groups and the registration form to fill out.

Need more help?
1. Information Booth
Each Sunday there will be a Home Team information table in the front lobby of the church with folks there to answer questions and to help guide you to the proper group.

2. Contact Phil Anderson
   Connections Pastor
   Church office - 478.476.1971 or panderson@northwaychurch.net

What happens after I sign up?
When you sign up, our leadership team will assign you to one of your choices as quickly as possible. Then, the leader of your Home Team will contact you with all the specific details about your group including your first get-together. Your final step will be to purchase your group materials (if needed) in The Source -- our church bookstore located just off the main lobby.

Got 2 or 3 friends?
It only takes 4-6 people to form a group. If you’re not seeing an option that fits your needs or meets when you’re most available, grab some friends and FORM A GROUP! That’s allowed! We’ll provide you with resources and can maybe pair you with a few others in the same situation.

Just notify Phil Anderson of your intentions and we can make it happen.

Like to host?
If you are great at hospitality or love to host people in your home, but don’t want to lead a group, we’ve got a place for you. Occasionally there are groups that need a home in which to meet due to various reasons. If you would like to host a group, please let us know and we’ll match you with a group. Simple as that!

What if I’m already in a group?
That’s Great!! We just don’t want to assume each person is returning. All we ask is that you sign up for your group again through this registration process. It also insures that each person is committed to the group for this semester.

SAVE-THE-DATE

Home Team Celebration Tailgate Party
Sunday, November 15 @ 5pm
Organize your home team to create the ultimate tailgating experience in the front parking lot. Each group can reserve 3-4 spaces to setup grills, tents, lawn chairs, corn hole, or whatever the group desires to make a festive evening. Prizes will be awarded to the most creative groups in a variety of categories.

You can begin setting up around 4pm (or earlier as needed), have a meal together, then enjoy a fun program on the front patio around 6:30pm. It’ll be a great way to begin wrapping up the fall semester together.

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