

WINTER 2022

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NORTHWAY
HOMETEAMS

February 6 - April 30

**BECAUSE LIFE IS BETTER
CONNECTED!**

What is a Home Team?

Home Teams are the small group ministry for adults at Northway Church. Groups consist of 6-16 people and meet at a time and place of their own choosing. Most meet in homes, but some meet on the campus of Northway. In this booklet you will see there are home teams for every age and stage of life. It's a great way to build new friendships while studying the Bible in a relaxed and casual environment.



Home Teams: More important now than ever before!

While there is still plenty of concern regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, we realize there is still some hesitation to meet in groups. That is completely understandable. However, over these last two years, we've also seen the effects of becoming too isolated, especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. Scripture reminds us repeatedly that we are to love one another, encourage one another, pray for one another, and build up one another.

We need others in our lives. What better way is there to do that than through a home team?

If the idea of joining a group makes you uncomfortable, consider....



The idea is simple! You already have friends with whom you feel comfortable and trust. So, invite three friends or couples to join you and "Connect 4" to create a new group. (Of course, your group can have as many or as few as you prefer.) If you form a group, let us know at church and we will come alongside to help you every step of the way. We'll help you select a study with videos, leader's guide, and tips for hosting a group. Try it! You'll like it!

Why should I join a Home Team?

There are two primary reasons for joining a home team:

1—To study and discuss the Bible

Each Home Team will study the Bible whether it's by watching a video together, reading a book, or digging into the scriptures directly. This setting allows for interaction and discussion of Biblical truths and concepts with a group of like-minded people so that we can better apply these principles to our lives.

2—To experience community through new relationships

Everyone desires to belong! In a Home Team, you will make new friends and, in some cases, these may become the people with whom you'll do life; the ones you'll call on in a time of need. In the process you'll experience the truth of what we like to say: *"Life is better connected!"*

What do I do now?

Read through the list of Home Teams in the following pages and try to find one or more groups that fit your stage of life and meet at a time that is convenient for you. Then register at church on Sundays or online anytime on our church website: northwavchurch.net.

Note: The target audience listed in each group description is merely a guide for the age range of the group, and is not limited to those who may fit that description.



SUNDAY



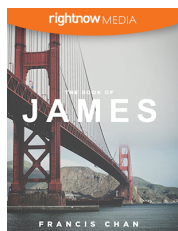
Men

Leader: Gary Milton

Time & Location: 12:30pm @ Northway

Study: 1 & 2 Peter

For men of any age whether married or single. This group will be doing a verse-by-verse study of Peter's writings.



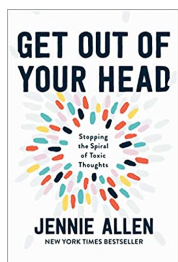
Engaged or Newly Married Couples

Leader: Sam & Abby Long

Time & Location: 3:00pm @ Wesleyan Dr area

Study: The Book of James with Francis Chan

For young couples whether seriously dating, engaged, or newly married. True faith produces fruit. A faith without action or life change is ultimately a dead faith. The book of James speaks to the realities of a living faith in Jesus—the kind of roll-up-your-sleeves and get-your-hands-dirty discipleship that is borne out of an authentic relationship with the risen Lord.



Ladies

Leader: Elisha Farr

Time & Location: 5:00pm @ Northway

Study: Get Out of Your Head by Jennie Allen

For ladies of any age whether married or single. In this study of the book of Philippians, Jennie Allen inspires and equips women to transform their emotions, outlook, and even circumstances by taking control of their thoughts. When we submit our minds to Christ, the promises and goodness of God flood our lives in remarkable ways.



Couples

Leader: Joel & Stacy Conner

Time & Location: 5:30pm @ Lake Tobosofkee area

Study: TBD

For couples in their 30's, 40's or 50's with or without kids. Their topic of study is to be determined.



Empty Nesters

Leader: Terry & Karen Partridge

Time & Location: 5:30pm @ Barrington Hall

Study: The Book of Proverbs

For empty nester couples. Gain new insights into Godly wisdom from the book written by one of the wisest men in the world — Solomon. As you study this unique book of the Bible, you'll glean truths for making sound and wise decisions which then result in a life pleasing to God and one in which He blesses.



Couples

Leader: Andy & Dotti Schindler

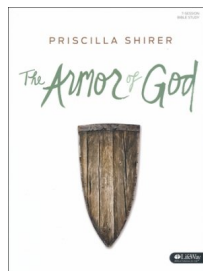
Time & Location: 5:15 pm @ Northway

Study: TBD

For couples in their 30's and early 40's. Their topic of study is to be determined. Childcare is provided at Northway!



MONDAY



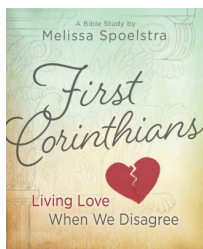
Adoptive or Foster Moms

Leader: Rebecca Bunt

Time & Location: 6:15pm @ Northway

Study: The Armor of God with Priscilla Shirer

For ladies of any age or stage of life who may be adoptive or foster moms. All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you. The enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, and so much more, but always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. This study is more than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory, it is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory.



Ladies

Leader: Kathy Milton

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway

Study: 1 Corinthians: Living Love when we Disagree by Melissa Spoelstra

For ladies of any age or stage of life. The cultural backdrop of Corinth was even more overtly sinful than our culture today; yet Paul boldly encouraged the Corinthian Christians not to ridicule one another or outsiders but to work together to show the love of Christ. In this study, explore Paul's first letter to the Corinthians to learn how we as Christians are to deal with differences and divisions - whether in the workplace, neighborhood, school, home, social media community, or church.



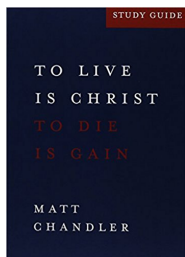
Celebrate Recovery

For Any Age or Stage of Life

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Northway Worship Center

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with all of life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Large group worship begins at 7:00 pm in the church worship center and then small groups for different needs begin at 8:00 pm. CR meets each week throughout the year, so you can attend at any point.

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Men

Leader: Buddy Doyle

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway

Study: To Live is Christ: A study of Philippians with Matt Chandler

For men of any age whether married or single. Even though he was in prison while writing this letter to the church of Philippi, it is one of the most intimate of Paul's writings as he paints a beautiful picture of what it is to be a mature Christian. Through God's grace and mercy, learn how he could pen the profound words "to live is Christ and to die is gain."



Young Couples

Leader: Justin & Sarah Futo

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ north Macon

Study: Colossians

For couples in their 20's or 30's with or without children. This group will be working through the book of Colossians in a verse by verse study of Paul's amazing letter. As you study, you'll discover his description of the supremacy of Christ, how to pray for others, and practical instruction on life and relationships.



College Guys & Girls

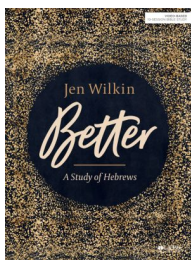
Leader: Zack & Angel Schindler, Julia Parks

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Lake Tobosofkee area

Study: Chasing the Wind: A study of Ecclesiastes

For college age men or women. When the Teacher in Ecclesiastes looks at all this world has to offer and man's endeavors, he says it is "vanity, a chasing of the wind." How do we navigate a life that is full of stress, disappointment, emptiness, and confusion? Join us this semester as we see how the Book of Ecclesiastes answers this question!

WEDNESDAY



Ladies

Leader: Laura Saxon

Time & Location: 6:00pm @ Northway

Study: Better: A study of Hebrews with Jen Wilkin

For ladies of any age whether married or single. In this verse-by-verse study of the Book of Hebrews, Jen Wilkin explores how God “provided something better for us” in the person of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 11:40). Through stories of Old Testament heroes and practices, the author of Hebrews demonstrates how the new covenant is superior to the old and how Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of every promise.



Any Age or Stage of Life

Leader: Linda Larsen

Time & Location: 6:15pm @ Northway

Study: Jeremiah

For men and women of any age or stage of life. This group is working their way through the entire Bible and will study Jeremiah this session. The prophets are very interesting as they prophesied things that would happen to Israel and some of the surrounding nations as well as things that would happen in the end times. You'll benefit from studying how God used this “weeping prophet” to show how much He loved His people and gave them hope in spite of their disobedience and failure.



Young Couples

Leader: Steven & Kellie Burgess

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Wesleyan Dr. North

Study: TBD

For couples in their 20's or 30's with or without children. Their study topic is to be determined.



Empty Nesters / Retired Adults

Leader: Wanda Schroeder

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway

Study: Understanding Biblical Prophecy

For adults in their 50's, 60's, or 70's. In the last several years, the world as we knew it seems to be disappearing. More recently, isolation and fear of the future have had a major impact on our society, and many people feel helpless in a world gone crazy. But, are the events of today totally random, or were they predicted more than 2,000 years ago? In this study, we will examine what the Bible says about events that will occur as the time of Christ's return draws closer. Join us as we delve into God's word to discover the truth of what Jesus, prophets, and apostles had to say about a world gone crazy.

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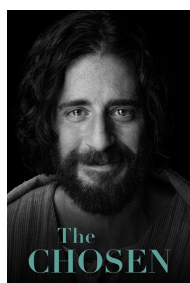
Any Age or Stage of Life

Leader: Mike & Tricia Alford

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Vine-Ingle area

Study: Sermon discussion

This group is open to all ages or stages of life. This group will focus on discussing the previous Sunday's message presented in Northway worship. Many times we leave worship inspired, but not quite sure what to do next. Or the message raises questions and you'd love to talk it out with someone else to hear what they think. This Home Team will provide a safe environment to openly discuss the message for maximum personal benefit.



Empty Nesters

Leaders: Ken & Redonna Bunch

Time & Location: 6:30pm @ Northway

Study: The Chosen

For couples or individuals who are empty nesters. This group will enjoy the ground breaking TV series based on the life of Christ entitled "The Chosen." For each session, the group will watch an episode and then discuss the lessons learned and how it can be applied to life.



Young Professional Ladies

Leader: Alyssa Kessler

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Rivoli Dr area

Study: TBD

For young professional ladies in their 20's and 30's whether married or single. Their study topic is to be determined.



College Guys & Girls

Leader: Ryan & Sarah Knapp

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Mercer Village

Study: Chasing the Wind: A study of Ecclesiastes

For college age men or women. When the Teacher in Ecclesiastes looks at all this world has to offer and man's endeavors, he says it is "vanity, a chasing of the wind." How do we navigate a life that is full of stress, disappointment, emptiness, and confusion? Join us this semester as we see how the Book of Ecclesiastes answers this question!

THURSDAY



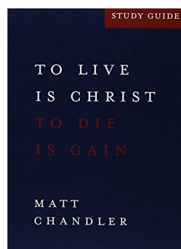
Young Couples

Leaders: Philip & Jessica Swicegood

Time & Location: 6:15pm @ north Macon

Study: The Gospel of Mark with Francis Chan

For young couples with or without children. The Gospel of Mark chronicles Jesus' journey from Galilee to Jerusalem. Along the way, the Messiah gathers a ragged band of disciples. As crowds grow, only a few stick by the Suffering Savior on the road of discipleship. Tracing the steps of Jesus and the Twelve through Israel, Francis explores the major themes of the Gospel of Mark, and asks: Are we willing to take this journey to embrace discipleship?



Young Professionals

Leader: John Henderson

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Northway

Study: To Live is Christ: A study of Philippians with Matt Chandler

For young professional single men and women in their 20's and early 30's. Even though he was in prison while writing this letter to the church of Philippi, it is one of the most intimate of Paul's writings as he paints a beautiful picture of what it is to be a mature Christian. Through God's grace and mercy, learn how he could pen the profound words "to live is Christ and to die is gain."



College Guys & Girls

Leader: Madison Mueller, Jake & Chelle McFetridge

Time & Location: 7:00pm @ Historic Vineville area

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FRIDAY



Men

Leaders: Danny Walker and Matt London

Time & Location: 6:30am @ Northway

Study: 1 Peter

For men of any age or stage of life. This group will be working through the book of 1 Peter in a verse-by-verse study. In 1 Peter, the apostle gives great guidance in life particularly in the context of suffering. Christians shouldn't be surprised by suffering for the name of Christ, so how should we best respond? Find encouragement as you hear how other men deal with these issues.



Ladies

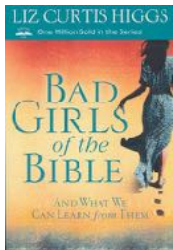
Leader: Laura Roberts

Time & Location: 6:30 pm at Forest Hills Dr. area

Study: TBD

For ladies of any age or stage of life. This group's topic is to be determined.

SATURDAY



Ladies

Leader: Robin Friday

Time & Location: 9:00am @ Cathedral Coffee

Study: Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Higgs

For ladies of any age or stage of life. This group plans to meet at Cathedral Coffee to enjoy walking laps around the parking lot and then enter the building to grab a coffee or water and discuss the book being read. In looking at what we can learn from biblical women gone bad Liz Higgs brings to life ancient stories and unforgettably reveals how timeless truths of the Bible apply to today's woman.

WHAT ABOUT CHILDCARE?

Sunday evenings

Childcare will be provided most Sunday evenings at the church. Pre-registration is required. Your group leader will provide the link.

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 submit a reimbursement form to subsidize their expenses! These forms are available on the Home Team page of our church website.

CREATE A GROUP!



We realize joining a group where you may not know everyone can sometimes be awkward. If that's you, then grab some of your friends whom you already know and trust and create a group! We'll come alongside you to help with study materials and easy tips for facilitating a group. Indicate your preference to start your own group online or contact Northway's Connection Pastor, Phil Anderson: panderson@northwaychurch.net.



FAQ'S

What are the dates for the Winter semester?

Groups will begin the week of February 6 and conclude the week of April 30. Having specific dates allows you to try out a Home Team without making a long term commitment. However, most who join a group continue with the group for multiple semesters!

How often does a group meet?

Each group sets their own schedule and may meet weekly, bi-weekly, or three times a month.

What's a group meeting like?

Most groups serve refreshments or a meal at the front end of their time together, then enter into their Bible study. Sessions are always very casual and conversational in nature, with the leader facilitating discussion.

How long are group meetings?

Most groups meet about 90 minutes including social time. Some meet longer, some shorter; it all depends on the needs of the group.

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. The leader of your Home Team will then contact you with all the specific information about your group.

What if I don't see a group that fits my interest or schedule?

Grab a few friends and create a new group! We'll help you get started with all the materials you'll need. Otherwise, contact Phil Anderson, our Connection Pastor as he may be able to direct you to an existing Home Team or a new group that is being formed. You can reach Phil at panderson@northwaychurch.net

What if I'm already in a group?

That's great! We just don't want to assume each person is returning, so all we ask is that you sign up for your group again through this registration process or by contacting your group leader directly. This also ensures that each person is committed to the group for this semester.

GOT QUESTIONS?

Contact Phil Anderson or Ryan Knapp.

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Ryan Knapp, College Pastor

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Scan the QR code to go directly
to the Home Team registration
page on our website!



*And let us consider how
we may spur one
another on toward love
and good deeds,*

Hebrews 10:24

