

2018 Fall Semester (September 9 - December 16)

North Atlanta Bible Classes



Discover North Atlanta: Room 110

Learn more about what to expect at the North Atlanta Church in a casual, small group setting. In this class we will explore North Atlanta's Mission and Vision and the many connection opportunities that are available. You will learn about how the church is organized and have the chance to ask any questions that you may have.

Leaders: Marvin Woodward, Frank and Cheris Baker, Ken Shumard

Starting Point: Room 105

In this class, you will have the opportunity to explore your faith and experience community in a conversational environment. It's a safe place to learn and ask questions about the Bible and Christianity. The class runs on a rotating basis for 8 weeks, after which participants will get help transitioning into and building connections in another North Atlanta Bible Class.

Facilitators: Cody and Karen Wilson

Special Focus Studies

Special Focus Studies are life stage or life experience specific studies.

ANCHOR Groups: Gym and Atrium

Gender specific, Christ-centered, Bible study for people in open drug and alcohol recovery.

Facilitators: Michael Prather, Cindy Lawrence, and the ANCHOR team

Seniors Alive: Room 101 - Aging in Ageless Grace

Christian seniors enjoy special blessings, including wisdom, responsibilities, and opportunities. Aging also brings on some special problems and/or concerns, like increasing health problems, the physical and emotional aspects of aging, cultural changes, and the dreaded necessity of making final preparations. We will discuss these topics and more using Scriptural guidelines and principles coupled with shared experiences and insights.

Teachers: Class Members, Don McLaughlin, Don Huff, Justin Bagwell, Herb Dowdy, Mark Richardson, and Mike McCloud

Latino: Room 109 - Un Dios para todas las estaciones

Vivimos en tiempos difíciles en donde la tecnología y el movimiento rápido de la vida tiende a distraernos y a enfocarnos en cosas superficiales que no son de provecho espiritual. La convivencia con Dios es mas difícil de establecer debido a la falta de entendimiento de quien es Dios. En esta oportunidad estudiaremos a Dios de cerca de manera que podamos tenerlo sin dificultad en nuestras mentes día y noche.

Profesor: Nelson Galarraga

Intercultural Developmental Inventory (IDI)

September — Young Adults and Catalyst (College-age): Room 115

October — Young Families: Room 112

Here at North Atlanta we believe that God, through the work of the Holy Spirit, has purposed us for the noble task of witnessing to our community and the world through our diversity. In John 17, Jesus prayed that we would achieve complete unity in our diversity, so that through it we might become "credible witnesses" to his claim to have been sent from God for the purpose of reconciling the world to himself. To this end, we endeavor to create an inclusive environment where all parts of the body of Christ feel valued, respected and fully engaged (I Corinthians 12:12-27). This 4 week class is designed to help members begin the process of developing the capacity to bridge across cultural differences and develop an integrated multicultural community of faith.

Teacher: Major Boglin

Catalyst (College-age): Room 111 - What is the Bible? (October - December)

How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letter, and Stories Can Transform the Way You Think and Feel About Everything

In this class, we are taking a journey through the Bible - all the weird, uncomfortable, funny, violent, loving, poetic, and entertaining parts of it. We will talk about how to read, understand, and apply each of these parts of the Bible to the way we live every day life.

Teacher: Nolan Huber

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Young Adults: Room 115 - The Story (October - December)

Messiah, King of kings, Lord of Lords. Why do we still tell the story today? The answer might change your life.

Teacher: Allen Jarratt

Young Families: Room 112 - House Rules (September)

"House Rules" is a four-week glimpse into the vision and Biblical themes behind Young Families Ministry. It's a conversational introduction to (or a fresh look at) who we are, why we exist, and how we seek to follow Jesus.

Facilitators: Class Members (a different couple each week)

Young Families: Room 112 - TBA (November–December)

Class information will be updated for November and December.

Discipleship Electives

Discipleship Electives are multi-generational classes that are open to all adults

Entrusted: A Study of 2 Timothy - Room 103 (Reaching Higher—Women's Bible Study)

We were never meant to take this journey of faith alone or in secret. God has entrusted us with the great and mighty gift of the gospel, something too precious and life-giving to keep to ourselves. In this discussion group setting, you will be encouraged to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His Kingdom by sharing Christ with others, and pour into future generations just as Paul once mentored Timothy. Because in this journey of joy and hardship, we need each other to stay the course and live lives of faithfulness.

Facilitators: April Hawthorne

Love First (Bible Study): Room 106

This study will focus on the Biblical foundations for our ministry at North Atlanta. Understanding, receiving, and sharing the love of God is the most vital experience in the world. There is nothing more important to God. God is love, and because of his love, he gave his One and Only Son for the world. God calls us to love like he loves. This requires everything from us, and there is no higher calling in life. We love because He first loved us, and the world will know we are his disciples by our love. This will be an exciting and challenging study!

Teacher: Don McLaughlin

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction: Room 108

Eugene Peterson is the well-known author of The Message – a translation of the Bible into easy-to-read, modern English. Peterson began this translation project, which now includes the entire Bible, with a contemporary translation of the book of Psalms. From the Psalms, he wrote a book entitled "A Long Obedience in the Same Direction" based on an ancient Hebrew hymnal contained in Psalms 120 – 134. This fall we will study these Psalms using ideas from Peterson's book, and we will discover just how relevant they are for discipleship today. And, we won't just study the Psalms, we will also "pray the Psalms" just as people have done for centuries. We will learn to do this by being led in guided meditations based on these passages.

Teachers: Ken Snell, Erica and Jake Eby

Holiday Weekend

Sunday before Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 18 — We will not have Bible Classes. Worship Services will be at regular times.

The logo for Lovefirst.org features the word "lovefirst" in a blue, lowercase, cursive-style font, with ".org" in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font to its right.

For more information visit: nacofc.org/ministries/adult