



Northside Drive
BAPTIST CHURCH

The Pinnacle

FULLY KNOWN, FULLY LOVED.

July 31, 2025

August 3 | Livestream * Order of
Worship

Exvangelicals

Mr. Cornelius was my high school biology teacher. He was a great teacher- the kind that let students eat lunch in his class every day. I learned a lot from Mr. Cornelius, but Mr. Cornelis was an atheist. He liked to say, "You are a molecule not a miracle."

Growing up as an evangelical Christian, I knew I needed to say something. My church had taught me that the Bible was to be trusted over science and that evolution was not biblical. I had been taught about young earth creationism and the work of Ken Ham (who started the creation museum in Kentucky). On one occasion, in the middle of class, I attempted to rebut Mr. Cornelius' evolution with all I had learned in my church. It didn't go well!

Oh, has my faith changed! I came to understand that science and faith are not incompatible and that 'creation science' is neither good science nor a good reading of Genesis. It took a safe space and a healthy faith community to help me unlearn how my faith had been formed in evangelicalism.

Northside Drive has always been a welcoming place for those who have come out of evangelical churches with wounds in need of healing. I've heard so many stories about the freedom and healing that so many have experienced here. NDBC is and will continue to be a place where exvangelicals (and others) can land and find a safe space to unlearn hurtful theology and relearn what it means to follow Jesus.

Sarah McCammon's book, *The Exvangelicals*, tells stories of deconstructing faith- her own and many more. Perhaps your journey has been similar. As we prepare to welcome Sarah on **Sunday, September 28**, I encourage you to think about your own deconstruction journey. Do you have stories of being taught something in church that you've had to unlearn? Was there a moment in which you were able to let go of problematic teachings? How has Northside Drive helped you recover faith?

Would you be willing to share a story about the deconstruction/reconstruction of your faith?

Scott Hovey

New Homes for Pianos



NDBC is thrilled that our church pianos have found new homes this week. The piano from the Wade Davis Estate is now residing with staff singer Allison Drinkard and her family. The Jerden family piano now lives at the David Bell home. We are happy that these pianos will be loved and used by these families for many years to come.

Susan Dew

Teach Me Something!

All are invited! Adult Ed is sponsoring a Sunday morning Church School series each week, with the theme, "Teach Me Something!" We are meeting in the Art & Soul classroom, continuing through August 24, with a wide variety of speakers and topics. Please join us, beginning with snacks in the breakroom before the class convenes at 9:30 AM.

This week we will hear from Jim Mahaffey with his presentation entitled, "The Future of Nuclear Power."

Jim holds a B.S. in physics and a master's and doctoral degrees in nuclear engineering from Georgia Tech. During a 25-year career at the Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI), he directed or worked on projects for the U.S. Defense Nuclear Agency, the U.S. National Ground Intelligence Center, the U.S. Air Force Air Logistics Center, Georgia Power Company, and other government and private industrial organizations. He is now a full-time writer and consultant. He has been a member of NDBC since 1979.

Summer Schedule

August 3: Jim Mahaffey - "The Future of Nuclear Power"

August 10: Syd Janney - "A Walking Tour of Our Church: Exploring Northside Drive Highlights"

August 17: Hal Meeks - "My Time on the Camino de Santiago"

August 24: Dave Wooten - "Innovators You Might Not Know About"

August 31: (No Meeting - Labor Day weekend)

This Sunday

Adult Church School
Teach Me Something!
Led by Jim Mahaffey
"The Future of Nuclear Power"
9:30 AM | Room 202

Children's Church School
9:30 AM | *Undercroft*

Worship
11:00 AM | *Sanctuary*

Missions Team Meeting
12:15 PM | *Room 204*

Upcoming Events

Scott's Office Hours
August 4 | 9:00-11:00 AM
NDBC Office

Holy Happy Hour
August 6 | 5:00 PM
RoundTrip Brewing

Adult Church School
Teach Me Something!
Led by Syd Janney
"A Walking Tour of Our Church:
Exploring Northside Drive Highlights"
wear walking shoes
August 10 | 9:30 AM
Room 202

Worship & Music Ministry Team Meeting
August 10 | 12:15 PM
Conference Room

Events

July Birthdays

George Taylor - 31
John Isakson - 31

August Birthdays

Lindy Welch - 1
Jack Isakson - 2
Sabrina Thomas - 2
Jim Lester - 3
Sue McSwain - 9
Pam Whiffen - 10
Carolyn Mahaffey - 11
Sydney Johnson - 22
Ann Grant - 23
Susan Isakson - 24
Curt Tucker - 27
Joey Guynn - 27
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