



MIDTOWN **BRIDGE**  
Church

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**THE BRIDGE**  
FAIRBURN

# PART 1: History, Mission, Core Beliefs

## Our History

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Midtown Bridge Church officially launched in **August 2007** at Fox Sports Grill in Atlantic Station out of a burden to reach the city of Atlanta. In January 2008 we moved into Regal Cinemas in Atlantic Station. We are continuing to grow a church that looks like the city and like the kingdom of God. Our desire is not to simply grow one big church but to make disciples. We believe it will take a church planting movement to transform our city and are currently helping lay a foundation for other church plants.

The Bridge Fairburn officially started in **January 2023** with a few families starting to pray about starting a church in Fairburn. That prayer turned into action and by April 2023, planning meetings started. On November 12, 2023 we held our first Preview Service at the Fairburn Youth Center.

## Our Mission

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A family pursuing the mission of Jesus.

We are a diverse family of broken people whose lives are being transformed by Jesus Christ. We exist to see people connected to Jesus and to follow Him in His mission to make disciples where life happens.

## Our Core Values

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**Prayer:** As a church, we believe God wants His place of worship to be a house of prayer and his people to always be guided by prayer. (John 2:14-17; Philippians 4:6)

**God's Word:** As a church, we are committed to preaching, teaching, leading and living by the divinely inspired and inerrant Word of God, the Bible. We believe the truths of God's Word will make an eternal difference in the lives of the people of Atlanta and around the world. (2 Timothy 3:14-17; 2 Peter 1:21)

**Gospel Centered:** As a church, we believe that the Gospel is the life, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. The Gospel is the good news "that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures." It stands at the core of all we do and shapes every area of our life. (1 Corinthians 15:1-4; John 3:16; John 14:6)

**Authentic Community:** As a church, we believe our two greatest responsibilities are to love God and to love others. We are committed to growing strong families and establishing discipling relationships with those in our body as well as with those outside our body. (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:42)

**Multiplication:** As a church, it is our goal to develop an Acts 1:8 strategy that will impact the world by: 1) training believers to share the good news of Jesus Christ, 2) being involved with a church planting movement that will plant churches beginning in the United States and reaching around the world, and 3) partnering with missionaries worldwide for the purpose of resourcing and equipping them to fulfill the Great Commission. It is our goal to equip the body to become ministers by discovering and using their gifts and talents to serve Christ, the people of The Midtown Bridge Church, Atlanta, and the world. (Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:47)

**Generosity:** As a church, it is our goal to equip every member to respond to the needs around them. We are committed to using our gathered resources to do the same. We are called to steward the Lord's resources in a way that meets the spiritual and physical needs of people. (Acts 2:44-47; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5)

**Cultural Diversity:** We believe a church should reflect its surrounding neighborhood. We are committed to connecting people to our community regardless of background or walk of life. We believe we are positioned to bear a stronger witness for Christ to the city through a healthy celebration of differences. (racial, educational, cultural, intergenerational, socio-economic). (Revelations 7:9; Colossians 3:11)

## **Leadership @ the Bridge:**

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### **1. Elders**

Currently, the Elders consist of five men who were nominated by our body and confirmed by the church body. The Elders provide shepherding, accountability, direction and support to the church body. You may contact an elder via email at [elder@themidtownbridge.com](mailto:elder@themidtownbridge.com).

The Elders are Milton Campbell, Ron Wright, David Harris, and Aaron Harris.

### **2. Pastoral Staff**

Our staff members work with the Elders and ministry leaders in service to the church community and to the city. Our staff includes Milton Campbell (Lead Pastor), Becky Rowe (Children's Director), Aaron Harris (Youth Director), Shaniqua Singleton (Worship Director), Towanda Harris (Women Director), and Ron Wright (Director of Operations).

### **3. Ministry Leaders**

Ministry Leaders are church members who are leading in various areas: first impressions, media, worship, community groups and missions, among others. They are on the front lines of service to the people of this city. See Part 5 for more information on these leaders and ministries.

### **4. Belay Accounting**

Belay Accounting works with the Elders, Finance Team, and Staff to manage the finances of the church. They provide financial accountability and guidance so that our finances follow our ministry, not vice versa.

## Next Steps:

### **All in August**

Starting in August we will move weekly worship services. To do so it is important that we develop teams to help lighten the load.

### **Commit to Serve:**

There are several areas where we are developing serve teams. See below opportunities.

- Set-up & Break Down Team  
This team transforms our space on Sunday morning by setting up and tearing down equipment, signage, tables, etc. This is a great way to get a Sunday morning workout.
- The Bridge Kidz (3 years – 5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
If you are passionate about seeing future generations raised to life in Christ, then this area is just the place for you. Roles range from behind-the-scenes opportunities to interacting directly with children and teaching them about Jesus. Requires background check and some training. See Becky Rowe for more information.
- The Pillar Youth (6<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> grade)  
Requires background check and some training. See Aaron Harris for more information.
- Hospitality Team  
This team strives to connect with guests and make people feel at home. They go to extraordinary lengths to assist our guests and maintain a distraction-free environment. Also, if you love to cook, or order food, this is the place for you!
- Music Team  
We need gifted singers and musicians to help grow our worship and arts team. Auditions are required but we also provide some training and development. See Shaniqua or Erica for more information.
- Media Team  
If you have talent and love to work behind the scenes with the audio and visual technical team, then we have a place for you. This team helps to serve our body by leveraging their computer, video, and other technical skills.
- Missions  
We need volunteer support in helping to strengthen our local and global missions. It could be partnering with local or global ministries that are making an impact.

### **Commit to Membership @ The Bridge Fairburn:**

Membership displays your **agreement** and **commitment** to the vision, mission, and core values of the church. Membership also instills a sense of **accountability** to being connected.

### **Commit to Generosity**

We need generous Christ followers to help fund the ministry. Generosity is less about our resources and more about the heart.

## **What are The Bridge Fairburn's Beliefs?**

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about Scripture?**

We believe the entire Bible is the inspired Word of God and that men were moved by the Spirit to write words of Scripture. Therefore, the Bible is without error.

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about God?**

We believe in one God who exists in three distinct persons (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). We believe that Jesus Christ is the second member of the Trinity (the Son of God) who became flesh to reveal God to man and to become the Savior of the lost world.

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about mankind?**

We believe that man was created in the image of God to have fellowship with Him, but became alienated from that relationship through sinful disobedience. As a result, man is totally incapable of coming back into a right relationship with God by his own effort.

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about salvation?**

We believe that the shed blood of Jesus Christ on the cross provides the sole basis for the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, salvation only occurs when a person places his faith in the death and resurrection of Christ as the sufficient payment for his sin.

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about the Christian life?**

We believe that every Christian should live for Christ and not for himself. By obedience to the Word and daily yielding to the Spirit, every believer will mature and become conformed to the image of Christ.

### **What does The Bridge Fairburn Church believe about the church?**

We believe that the church is the body of Christ of which Jesus Christ is the Head. The members are those who have trusted by faith the finished work of Christ. The purpose of the church is to glorify God by loving Him and by making Him known to a lost world.