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I've had the privilege of serving on FBCD's staff since 2019 as the Pastor for Community Engagement. I have the opportunity each day to build bridges between the church that I love and the quirky, progressive little city that I call home.

Josh and I both grew up together in Tifton, GA (we met in third grade) and settled in Decatur for the second time in 2015. Out of all the places we've lived and adventures we've had, we knew Decatur was the place we wanted to raise our children. We have two - Lottie is a sixth-grader at Midtown International School who loves reading and Animal Crossing. Jonah is in second grade at Glennwood Elementary School who loves trying to defy gravity and jokes.

My education journey/adventure led me through Furman, Oxford, McAfee School of Theology, and Columbia Theological Seminary to prepare for a life oriented to serving the local church, a desire to develop preaching voices, and a love of all things Old Testament. Josh's journey led him through UGA, London, Emory Medical School, and Residency to become an Emergency Medicine physician at Piedmont Hospital.

We enjoy travel, lake life, and experiencing the festivals, events, and restaurants Decatur has to offer. I'm a fan of REM, grateful for audiobooks as a mom, and drawn to craft projects.

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