

# About Tyler Griffin

## Candidate for Pastor of Family Ministry

Tyler grew up in Gaston County, Stanley to be exact, and was raised in the church. His parents separated when he was younger but both parents remarried to very loving spouses. As a result he was in a different church each Sunday but he was in church. Both sets of parents wanted to make sure that he and his siblings understood that God loved them and that they needed him in their lives. He felt God calling him when he was 9. He prayed to receive Christ as savior then and was baptized.

When he was in high school, he really began to walk with Jesus. Through the discipleship of a few really dedicated pastors and elders, Tyler began to understand what it looked like to pursue a relationship with Jesus. He also began going on mission trips around his junior year of high school and this is where he really started to understand the power of the gospel to transform people's lives. By the end of high school, he began to feel like God was calling him to pursue a call to vocational ministry. During college, he began to study theology more in depth which also helped him further understand that being a Christian was less about being good and more about responding to God's grace.

Tyler met Katie in college and they have been married for ten years. He says that Katie, without a doubt, is one of God's greatest gifts in his life. She is strong in the areas that he's not and she is wise beyond her years. They have two children, Titus (4) and Adelaide (8), who he thinks- collectively, may be the two loudest kids at Exodus and are a lot of fun. Throughout their lives together, his family has gotten to experience God's provision, grace, and sovereignty on a regular basis. They have a unique story and one with its fair share of struggle but a story in which they can see God's hand so clearly throughout it.

The Griffins have been at Exodus for about two years now. They actually came to Exodus in November two years ago because Zack Quan invited them for a visit, they came and never left. They love Exodus church. They've been challenged to love Christ more and to live out his mission more intentionally. They have also experienced God's provision in a big way through Exodus over the last year with Katie's surgery- Tyler can't say thank you enough for the way Exodus has cared for his family during this season of their lives.