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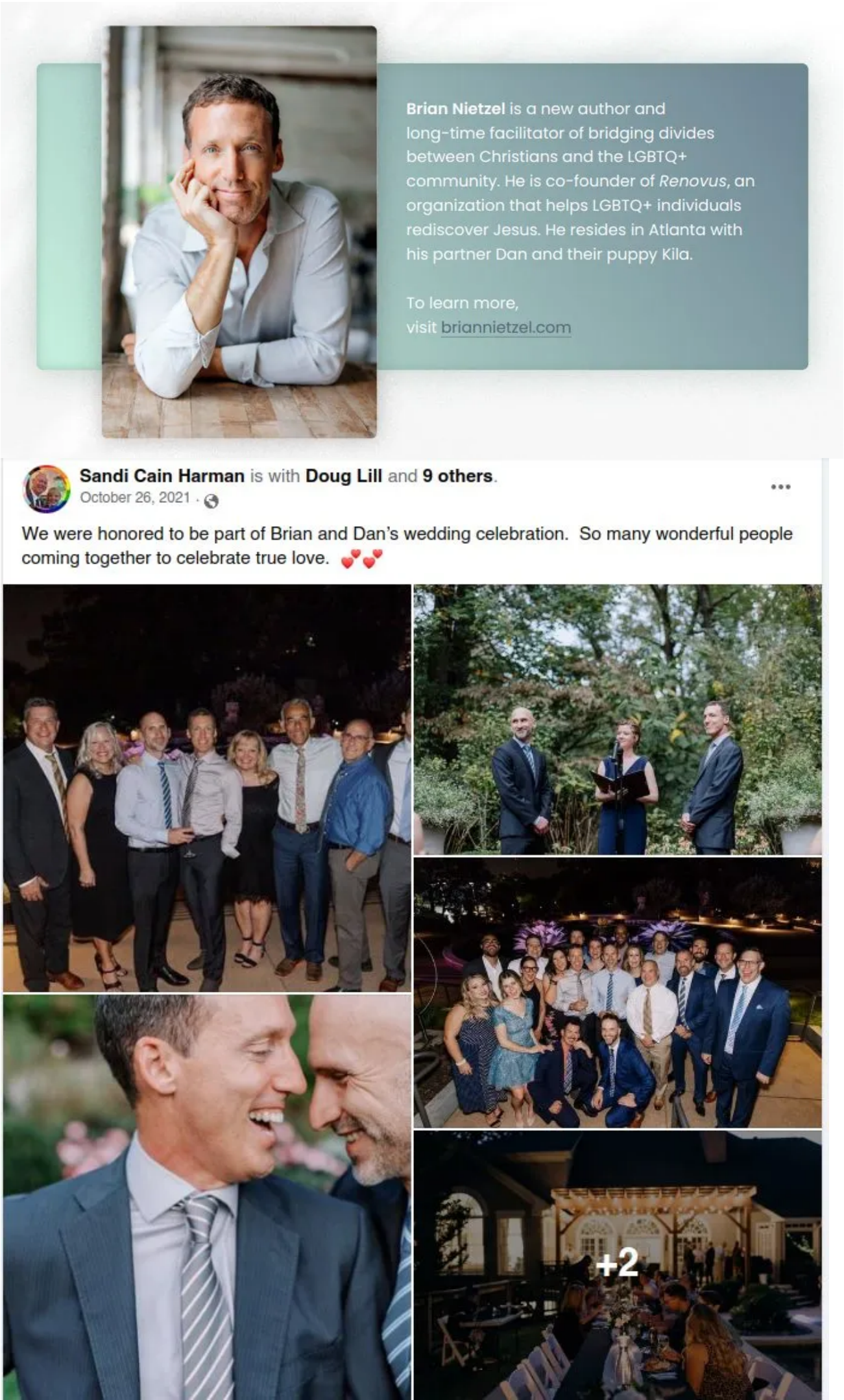
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But now, it has come to light that Stanley has been openly promoting open and active homosexual lifestyles within his church and he has been doing so through some very sinister people. Andy Stanley is repeatedly hosting an openly practicing homosexual who is openly living with his homosexual partner. His name is Brian Nietzel.



Brian Nietzel, according to his own [biography found on his website](#), is living in Atlanta with his “partner Dan.” A look at [photos on Nietzel’s Facebook page](#) confirmed that he is still openly and actively in a homosexual relationship.



articles—a ministry dedicated to advancing queer theology and homosexual affirmation within the Church. According to [Brian’s website](#), he says he has known two things all of his life: “Jesus is my hero,” and “And I’m gay.” Brian says that for much of his life faith and sexuality were divided, but that “through a season of new conversations with God, I came out knowing my peace as a gay Christian man.”

We can all rest assured that whoever Brian was having “conversations” with, it certainly wasn’t God and what he teaches and believes certainly did not come from God’s word.

In this video clip below, Nietzel says that he spent most of his adult life “really feeling like the best way to honor God with my sexuality was to not act on it. And that was the best decision I could make with the information that I had. I didn’t do it out of fear, I did it out of fidelity for my relationship with God. But Chapter Two was in my late 30’s and I met a guy, and I fell in love, and I didn’t really plan on that. And so it forced me to have to really put on my big boy pants with God... and have new conversations, and I had to wrestle with that. Because I didn’t just want his tolerance, I wanted his blessing.”

“Chapter Three is when that wrestling match concluded, and I came out of that hearing and believing, deep in my being, that, we’re good.”



Get To Know Brian
Brian Nietzel



Watch on

Nietzel also hosted a seminar for an LGBTQ [organization called LoveBoldly](#) which has a stated purpose of “We discern with middle Christians, pastors, and their communities as they navigate the inclusion and affirmation of LGBTQIA+ people.”



On the board and staff of LoveBoldly sites the infamous “gay pastor” Brandon Robertson [who says](#) the story of Jesus calling Lazarus to “come out” was actually about coming out of the closet as a homosexual, [who says that Christians](#) should not worship Jesus, [who says people](#) who don’t believe that God has feminine and gender-neutral pronouns are heretics, who says [the Bible does not forbid](#) premarital sex, [who advocates for taxpayer-funded](#) gay sex pills, [who says that](#) Jesus sinned, and [who says the Holy Spirit told him](#) that the Bible is wrong about homosexuality.



Rev. Brandon Robertson (*he/him/his*) is the Communications Coordinator at LOVEboldly. An author and public theologian, Brandon works at the intersections of spirituality, sexuality, and social renewal. He is best known for his work as the “TikTok Pastor”, creating thousands of TikTok videos on inclusive theology and garnering 200k followers and nearly 5 million views. A prolific writer, he is the author of seven books on spirituality, justice, and theology, including the INDIES Book of the Year Award Finalist [True Inclusion: Creating Communities of Radical Embrace](#). Brandon earned a Bachelor of Arts in Pastoral Ministry and Theology, a Master of Theological Studies, and a Master of Arts in Political Science and Public Administration. He is currently pursuing his PhD in Religion from Drew University. Brandon can be reached at brobertson@loveboldly.net

Last October, just a few months ago, Nietzel spoke at an LGBTQ conference for parents of queer kids at North Point Church:

Last month I presented to nearly 200 parents, LGBTQ+ folks, and church staff at North Point's Parent Connect near Atlanta GA, a vital ministry helping parents love their LGBTQ+ kids well. It was an epic experience!



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And it isn't just a one-time event. Nietzel is also speaking again at an upcoming conference called *Unconditional* later this year which is also being hosted at Andy Stanley's church. This is the same conference that an associate pastor from Saddleback, a Southern Baptist megachurch formerly led by Rick Warren, *will be speaking at*.

Taking a look at the resources on Nietzel's website, it looks like he is one of the driving forces behind this "gay Christianity" movement. Not only is an integral part of Andy Stanley's pro-homosexual theology, but Nietzel is also part of several of these organizations that we've written about over the last few weeks, including *Embracing the Journey*, a program being used at Saddleback for parents of LGBTQ children that is designed to teach parents to become affirming of sexual sin.



More MTR Resources:

- 🔗 **MTR Connect** | Regular Zoom meet-ups for Christians wanting to engage and lean into making things right.
- 🔗 **MTR Op-Ed** | Mini-version of the MTR Whitepaper, where Brian examines the Christian response and responsibility to the LGBTQ+ community.
- 🔗 **LGBTQ+ Faith & Family Study** | Anonymous survey for LGBTQ+ individuals to share their stories, which helps inform MTR work and resources.

Organizations:

- 🔗 **Renovus** | Helping LGBTQ+ individuals reclaim and develop their faith in Jesus; Providing events, groups, 1:1 support, and resources.
- 🔗 **Embracing the Journey** | Serving Christian parents of LGBTQ kids with counseling, support groups, and resources. Also provides consulting and curriculum for churches to develop parent support.
- 🔗 **Centerpeace** | Helping church leaders, educators, and families learn a more Christ-like response to LGBTQ+ individuals through seminars, retreats, training, education, and community.
- 🔗 **Estuary Space** | Provides consulting, pastoral care and resources for church leaders and individuals navigating the nuances of human sexuality and the Christian faith.

Books:

- 🔗 **Love Is an Orientation** by Andrew Marin | A groundbreaking book about elevating the conversation with the LGBTQ+ Community.
- 🔗 **Love Makes Room** by Staci Frenes | A Christian mother's memoir of what she learned about love and faith after her daughter came out.
- 🔗 **Embracing the Journey** by Greg & Lynn McDonald | A Christian parents' blueprint to loving your LGBTQ+ child.
- 🔗 **Us Versus Us** by Andrew Marin | First-of-its-kind research study telling the untold story of Religion and the LGBTQ+ Community.
- 🔗 **Torn** by Justin Lee | Rescuing the Gospel from the Gays-vs-Christians debate.
- 🔗 **Changing Our Minds** by David Gushee | Carefully and compassionately rethinking traditional religious teachings about LGBTQ+.

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