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# ST. INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Join us for the 3rd Annual Bible and BBQ

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 11AM-4PM

#### BIBLICAL LECTURES, FREE BBQ AND CHURCH TOURS

Last year over 24.5 million people viewed the "YouTube" poem, "Why I Hate Religion, But Love Jesus." The video was a diatribe against man-made "religion," understood in the presentation, and in the minds of so many today, as a synonym for "church." As our world increasingly comes to agree with Nietzsche's famous claim that "God is dead," it might well insist that responsibility for God's demise lies primarily with "religion"; that is, with the institutional church. As the video suggests, even many Christians who have experienced the living God, but have also endured the frustrations of modern "Churchianity," might respond: "God lives! It's the church that's dead (RIP!)"

So what about this thing called the Church? What are its Christian origins? Why does it exist? Whatever happened to it?

On Saturday, October 26, 2013, St. Innocent Orthodox Christian Church will host two presentations by the Rev. Fr. Andrew Damick on the ancient Christian understanding of "Church." Fr. Andrew's 11am talk will discuss "The Church in the Bible": What does the Bible say about the Church? How did the first Christians understand the Church? How did (and does) the Church fit into God's Plan for man's salvation? At 2:30 pm Fr. Andrew then considers "The Church after the Bible": what impact did the written New Testament have on the Early Church? How did the Early Church develop along with the Bible? Finally, how does the New Testament faith community compare with the Church today?

The Rev. Fr. Andrew Damick is pastor of St. Paul Orthodox Church in Emmaus, Pennsylvania. He is the author of *Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy* (Conciliar Press, 2011), and host of the "Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy" and "Roads from Emmaus" podcasts on Ancient Faith Radio.

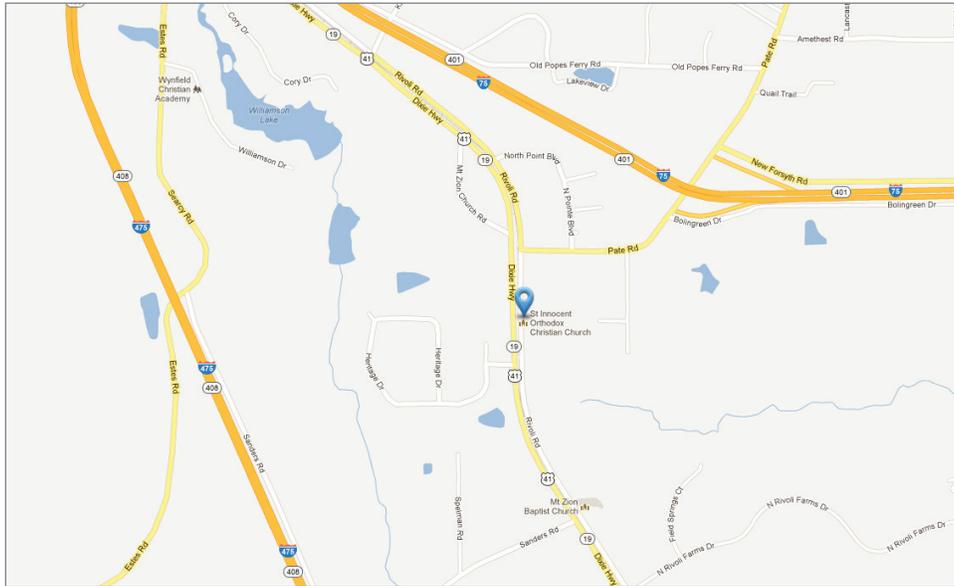
Come and join us for this opportunity to consider the ancient Biblical understanding of "Church." Between talks there will be free open air barbeque, Eastern European Food (Russian/Romanian/ Moldavian, etc.) and Church tours. All are welcome to this community event. Y'all come!

Followed at 4PM by Great Vespers  
our evening worship service

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## DIRECTIONS TO ST. INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH 7301 Rivoli Road Macon, GA 31210

St. Innocent Orthodox Church is located just south of Bolingbroke Ga. Bolingbroke is on Hwy 41 just south of the northern junction of I-475 and I-75, 10 min north of Macon Ga.

From I-75 Northbound (from Downtown Macon Ga) Take the Pate Road Exit. Turn left and follow Pate Road about a 1/2 mile until it ends at Rivoli Road. Make a left turn on Rivoli Road. Our church is about a 1/4 of mile down on the left.

From I-75 Southbound (from Forsyth) merge onto I-475 (stay in right hand lane as you will exit very soon). Take the Bolingbroke Exit #15 and turn right onto Hwy 41. After 0.8 mi. turn left onto Klopfer Road, cross the railroad tracks and make an immediate right on to Rivoli Road. Continue on 0.6 mi to a 3 way stop at Pate Road. Continue on Rivoli 1/4 mile, our church is on the left.

From I-475 Northbound (from Warner Robins or West Macon) Take the Bolingbroke Exit #15 and turn right onto Hwy 41. After 0.8 mi. turn left onto Klopfer Rd and cross the railroad tracks and make an immediate right on to Rivoli Road. Continue on 0.6 mi to a 3 way stop at Pate Rd. Continue on Rivoli 1/4 mile, our church is on the left.