

July 10, 2022

Dear patients and parents,

After a long and wonderful career in dentistry and orthodontics, Dr Lewis and I have decided it is time to step back and pass the torch to the next generation of professionals. We have been blessed with each and every relationship we have experienced throughout the last thirty two years of practice, and will cherish the memories of a life of service that we will carry forward. Each one of you have been an important part of our lives and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your patronage and friendship.

After an extensive search and qualification process, we have selected Dr. Nick Kim to continue the practice moving forward. Dr. Kim attended the University of Alabama at Birmingham for his undergraduate and Doctoral dental degrees. He completed the Masters of Science with specialization in orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics from the esteemed University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Dr. Kim and his family relocated to the Atlanta area where he continues to own and operate a successful orthodontic practice. He has successfully treated over 2000 orthodontic cases and has specific expertise in the areas of new orthodontic technology to include clear aligner treatments and digital treatment planning and execution. We are excited to have such an experienced and compatible doctor continue our work. You will find Dr. Kim not only knowledgeable, but friendly and welcoming of personality. You can learn more about him at this link <https://suwaneorthodontics.com/meet-the-doctor/>.

To facilitate the ongoing care of patients in treatment, Dr. Lewis and I have begun, and will review with Dr. Kim, each and every patients plan of care. This process will assure that no interruption of care takes place as we make the practice transition. I will be at the offices periodically throughout the next 60-90 days to personally introduce you to Dr. Kim and you will continue to see the same friendly Duo Ortho staff faces you have come to know. All of your clinical and financial records will remain and you can rest assured of a seamless treatment and administrative handover.

Thank all of you again for your patronage and friendship. We wish each and every one of you all the best for the future and will look forward to seeing many of you around town in a slightly different setting.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "gordon barfield".

Dr Barfield