

HOW CAN WE HELP?

PRAYER

We will pray for these requests for two weeks unless notified or updated. Feel free to leave requests on our 24-hour prayer line at 713.335.6456 or HoustonsFirst.org.

() Add this request to the church's public prayer database.

PASTORAL CARE

Are you experiencing grief, loneliness, illness, job loss or other life difficulties? The Pastoral Care Ministry provides free and confidential help through the Stephen Ministry. Call 713.957.6762 for assistance, or indicate your interests below:

() I would like a Stephen Minister to call me.
 () I am interested in serving as a Stephen Minister.

Don't forget the "Get Connected" section on the other side!

GET CONNECTED (turn over)

CAMPUS



- A**
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| 1 Chapel | 2 Rehearsal Hall |
| 1 Connection Center | 3 Rooms 330-336 |
| 2 Education Ministry | 1 Welcome Center |
| 1 Library | 1 Worship Center |
| 1 Main Foyer | 2 Worship Ministry |
| 1 Reception Room | |

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| 3 The Clubhouse | 1 Rooms 100-123 |
| 6 Counseling Center | 2 Rooms 200-221 |
| 1 FBA Primary School | 3 Rooms 301-329 |
| 1 Pastoral Care | 4 Children's Ministry |
| 2 Preschool Ministry | 5 Children's Ministry |

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| 1 First Baptist Academy | 1 Oasis Room |
| 1 FBA Library | |

- D**
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| 1 Bookstore | 2 Rooms 249-265 |
| 1 Cafe | 3 Rooms 362-366 |
| 1 Christian Life Center | 3 Student Ministry (362-366) |
| 1 Fellowship Center | 1 The Harbor |
| 2 Fitness Center | 1 Welcome Center |

● Welcome Centers *Numbers next to location indicate floor level

PARKING



MIDLINK

WEDNESDAYS AT FIRST

MIDLINK CAFÉ
 4:45-6:45 pm – Fellowship Center
 Casual dining with food for all ages!
 Adults \$6, Senior Adults \$5
 Children (12 & under) \$4.50
 Students can buy discount tickets from Student Ministry for \$3

THE LINK
 7 pm – Fellowship Center
 Bible study with Curtis Jones

JUST FOR KIDS!
 Children of all ages can learn about God and have fun, too!

MISSION FRIENDS
 5:45-8:30 pm – Preschool Suite
 Birth-Kindergarten

HIGH 5 KIDS' CHOIR
 6-7 pm – The Clubhouse (Rm 303)
 PreK-5th Grade – walk-ins welcome!

BREAKOUT
 7-8:30 pm – The Clubhouse (Rm 303)
 1st-5th Grade

JUST FOR STUDENTS!
 Weekday connections with other students featuring worship and truth from God's Word

WIRED
 6:15-7:45 pm – Rm 364
 Middle School students

AMP
 7-8:30 pm – Rm 363
 High School students

DECISIONS FEB 8, 2009

SALVATION IN CHRIST

Donald Bartlett Bettie Stiles

BAPTIZED

Jackson Cavazos Joe Pickhaver
 Cameron Dillman Mike Rizzo
 Mackenzie Dillman Evelyn Silsby
 Melanie Dillman Jake Slagle
 Christine Oldham Doug Unverzagt

FOR BAPTISM

Josh Murray Kathy Neumeyer

BIRTHS

Jason and Sharon Delorenzo in the birth of their son, Grant Joseph Delorenzo
 Siblings: Sophia and Jack
 Grandparents: Joe and Nancy Delorenzo

SYMPATHIES

James and Kathleen Oliver in the death of her mother, Jane Gee

Alen and his wife, Kristin De Barbieris, Andrew, Natalie and her fiancé,
 Raymond Simmons in the death of their mother, Nicolette Susan De Barbieris

Ernest and Pam Andreano in the death of her brother, Donald Eagleking
 Daniel and Douglas in the death of their uncle

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FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS

Judy Bivens Tracey Miller
 Suzon Bridges Azurley Murray
 Kristen Clarke Mark Redd
 Jill Dolen Mary Saul
 Becky Drake Bubba Wood
 Maribeth Drake Mike York
 Preston Drake Pamela York
 Steve Drake Sammy Zarzana
 Arie Floyd

WEEKLY SUMMARY

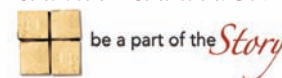
ATTENDANCE, FEB 8, 2009

Sunday Bible Study	3,488
Mission Bible Study	1,072
Weekday Bible Study	4,330
Total	8,890
Wednesday MidLink	787

GIVING, WEEK ENDING FEB 8, 2009

Tithes & Offering	\$271,301
Weekly Requirements	\$293,142
Over/(Under)	(\$21,841)
Designated Gifts	\$82,408
Over/(Under) for Feb	\$1,174
Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD	(\$440,828)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



WEEK ENDING FEB 8, 2009
 Total Pledged \$24,457,310
 Donations Received \$61,913
TOTAL RECEIVED \$10,471,128

weekend WORSHIP

February 15, 2009

SUNDAYS

9:10 am
 10:45 am
 6:30 pm

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

8 am
 9:10 am
 10:30 am
 5:15 pm



HOUSTON'S FIRST
 BAPTIST CHURCH



Pastor Gregg Matte

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY & GUESTS,
We're glad you're worshipping with us! Today, I begin a three-part series called "The End Times" as we look with great anticipation at Christ's return. This is a topic that makes some people nervous or even scared. However, in Paul's letter to the church at Thessalonica, we will discover hope and encouragement.

I invite you to come forward at the conclusion of the worship service, especially if you're visiting for the first time. It would be my pleasure to welcome you in person! Also, I encourage you to visit the Welcome Center in the Main Foyer or the Christian Life Center Lobby. Volunteers will answer your questions and help you find a Bible study to attend. They'll also help you find your way around the campus.

Again, welcome to Houston's First Baptist Church!

In Him,

NEED TO CONTACT US?

To contact HFBC staff, call the church at 713.681.8000 (M-F 8-4:30 pm) or email firstname.lastname@HoustonsFirst.org.

GATHER our hearts >

CHURCHWIDE

HUB SCRAMBLE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Mon, Mar 30 @ 11:30 am – BlackHorse Golf Club

Tee up and support student ministry mission projects at the beautiful BlackHorse Golf Club in Cypress. Driving range open at 11:30 am, shotgun start at 1:30 pm. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** linda.sproule@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7634.

HUB STUDENT MINISTRY

STUDENT/PARENT RETREATS

Fri, Feb 20-Sat, Feb 21

Attention high schoolers! Fathers and sons will head to Carolina Creek Christian Camp in Huntsville, and mothers and daughters will gather at the Omni Hotel on I-10. **COST** \$75 student only, \$125 parent and student. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** susan.newman@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7631.

SUMMIT MINISTRIES

INVADE!

Feb 28-Mar 1 – Trinity, TX

Young single adults will invade Trinity Pines for their annual winter retreat with speaker Curtis Jones and worship leader Roger Cullins. Enjoy an 80s prom, hiking, and much more! **COST** \$65 thru Feb 22. **REGISTER** and learn more at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** dana.moya@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7671.

SNOW JAM

Apr 2-6 – Winter Park, CO

Skiing + snowboarding + young single adults = Snow Jam! Lodging at Zephyr Lodge. Space is limited so sign up soon! **COST** varies based on options. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** dana.moya@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7671.

FUSION MINISTRIES

LAUGH TOGETHER

Sat, Feb 28 @ 6:30-8:30 pm – Fellowship Ctr

Married young adults are invited to step outside your busy lives and have a much-needed time of refreshment! Enjoy a fun, casual evening with great food, games, giveaways, and entertainment by ComedySportz. Child-care available. **COST** \$25 per couple. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** christen.barrios@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7681.

IMPACT MINISTRIES

SHARE YOUR HEART

Sat, Feb 21 @ 4-7 pm – Oasis Rm

Celebrate Valentine's Day after Valentine's Day! Singles between 40-60 will enjoy a spaghetti dinner, live music, a live auction and more! **COST** \$20 (or 2 for \$35). **RSVP** by Tue, Feb 17 to jackie.ogg@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7694.

GROW our souls >>

CHURCHWIDE

HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Feb 18 @ 11:30 am – 1010 Lamar (lower level)

Executive Pastor David Self will speak at this week's downtown Bible study. Lunch begins at 11:30 am for \$8, and Bible study takes place from 12:10-12:40 pm. **CONTACT** diane.bagby@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.6781.

MILESTONES

Classes and events to equip you for the milestones of life. Pick up a brochure or visit HoustonsFirst.org for details. Here's what's coming up soon:

Purity For Life

• **Pursuing Purity: Building Healthy Morals & Values** Sun, Feb 22 @ 5-8 pm – Rm 363 (for parents of 5th-10th graders)

Adulthood: Faith Overcoming Loss

- **DivorceCare** Wed, Feb 18 @ 7-8:30 pm – Rm 265 (meets weekly)
- **GriefShare** Thurs, Feb 19 @ 7-8:30 pm – Rm 143 (meets weekly)

SUMMIT MINISTRIES

CHAIROS

Sundays @ 9:10 am – CLC Office Suite

A new co-ed Bible study for young singles with kids! Hear from God's Word and be ministered to and encouraged on your journey as a single parent. **CONTACT** amber.willet@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5807.

GIVE our lives >>>

MISSIONS

2009 MISSION TRIPS

Visit HoustonsFirst.org (What We Do > Missions) to sign up for these upcoming trips:

- Costa Rica (Rookie Trip) with William Taylor and Frank Blackwood: March 14-21 (Spring Break) **Interest Mtg, Today @ 12 noon – Connection Center**
- Spain with Rochelle Ferrada: April 15-27
- Guatemala (Medical) with Frank Blackwood: May 9-16
- Amazon, Brazil with Jonathan Stearne: June 14-28
- Nairobi, Kenya with William Taylor: July 16-30

VOLUNTEER

Visit HoustonsFirst.org for details about the following opportunities and nearly 100 ways you can serve the Lord.

CLEAN TEAM - Preschool & Kindergarten

CONTACT melinda.scurlock@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.7610

CONNECTION CENTER TEAM

Prayer, Missions & Connection Center
CONTACT jerrell.altic@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.335.6450

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS - Sloan Memorial Library

CONTACT shirley.dodson@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.5820

FARM & RANCH VOLUNTEER TEAM - Hunt Retreat

CONTACT bill.murrell@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.303.6374

THE HAPPY CAMPER TEAM - Children's Ministry

CONTACT cindy.pitts@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.7620

GET CONNECTED

Complete this card and place in the offering plate or in a collection box by a Worship Center exit.

() I would like to speak to a minister about salvation, baptism, membership, ministries or _____

() I would like to receive information about Sunday Bible Study opportunities.

CONTACT INFORMATION

() Check if this is a change of address

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Primary Phone # _____

Email _____

() Single () Married (date) _____

() Engaged () Widowed

() Children living at home (ages) _____

COMMENTS

HOW CAN WE HELP? (turn over)



FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Tue, Feb 24 @ 9 am, The Clubhouse (Rm 303)

Prospective Kindergarten students and parents are invited to "saddle up" in the Clubhouse at 9 am then mosey on over to the classrooms. Parents can meet FBA staff while children explore the Kindergarten "range." Light refreshments will be served. **RSVP** to admissions@FBAHouston.org, 713.290.2522. **CONTACT** allison.smith@FBAHouston.org.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

FBA Primary School is seeking two afternoon teachers (12-6 pm). Applications available at the FBA Primary School Front Desk or at fbahouston.org. **CONTACT** lisa.spanjer@FBAHouston.org, 713.957.6720.



Remember to pray for the thousands of names written on the floor of the Worship Center. Share and read stories of God's faithfulness at HoustonsFirst.org (Prayer > Foundation of Prayer).

CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT Worship requires our full attention. We ask that you: >> not bring food or drinks in the Worship Center >> silence cell phones >> use the restroom before the service (take your children, too!) >> remain seated once our time of Bible study begins. If you must leave during the service, you may either: reenter through the rear doors and find a new seat in the back or watch the remainder of the service on a monitor in the Main Foyer. At the end of the worship service, people will be invited to accept Christ or join the church. Please remain in the Worship Center during this time. Pastor Gregg and other worshippers will appreciate your thoughtfulness.