

## 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](http://HoustonsFirst.org).

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

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### PASTORAL CARE

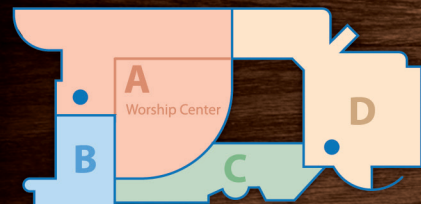
Are you experiencing grief, loneliness, illness, job loss or other life difficulties? The Pastoral Care Ministry provides free and confidential help through the Stephen Ministry. Call 713.957.6762 for assistance, or indicate your interests below:

- ( ) 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 directory & parking map



- A**
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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Bookstore         | 2 Rehearsal Hall   |
| 1 Chapel            | 1 Rms 143 & 145    |
| 1 Connection Center | 3 Rms 330-336      |
| 1 Library           | 1 Welcome Center   |
| 1 Main Foyer        | 1 Worship Center   |
| 1 Reception Room    | 2 Worship Ministry |
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| 3 The Clubhouse      | 1 Rms 100-123         |
| 6 Counseling Center  | 2 Rms 200-221         |
| 1 FBA Primary School | 3 Rms 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 Rm. |
| 1 FBA Library           |             |

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| 1 Café                  | 2 Rms 249-265      |
| 1 Christian Life Center | 3 Rms 362-366      |
| 2 Crafts Rm             | 3 Student Ministry |
| 1 Fellowship Center     | 1 Harbor Rm        |
| 2 Fitness Center        | 1 Welcome Center   |
| 1 Garden Rm             |                    |

● Welcome Centers \*Numbers next to location indicate floor



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### VOLUNTEER

Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer) for details about the following opportunities and other ways you can serve.

### JAIL/PRISON MINISTRY TEAM Missions

**CONTACT** David Trickett; [dtrick3@comcast.net](mailto:dtrick3@comcast.net); 713.269.3381

### SUMMER KICK-OFF PARTY TEAM Children's Ministry

**CONTACT** angie.savage@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.7621

### LORD'S SUPPER PREP TEAM Spiritual Maturity

**CONTACT** Misti Steen; [msteen@fulbright.com](mailto:msteen@fulbright.com); 713.651.8354

### IMAGINEER - Creative Services

**CONTACT** [matt.arnold@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:matt.arnold@HoustonsFirst.org); 713.335.6420

### CHILDREN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY TEACHER The Faith Center

**CONTACT** [tracy.collier@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:tracy.collier@HoustonsFirst.org); 713.554.8825

### GET A ZIP KIT!

In Pastor Gregg's message on May 9, he mentioned "Zip Kits"—bags of essential items that one family keeps in their car to give to homeless men and women they encounter around town. Today, you can make your own "Zip Kit" as you leave at stations outside the main entrance (west) or under the FBA rotunda. Keep your "Zip Kit" on hand to give to those in need! (Please, one "Zip Kit" per family.)

## DECISIONS MAY 9, 2010

### BAPTIZED

Roxann Fisher Tyler Trent

### FOR BAPTISM

Maria Lorenzo Sheri Sheppard  
Samantha Normand

### FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS

Cindy Crawford Sarah Naderi  
James Crawford Cathi Taraboi  
Landry Crawford Cortney Taraboi  
Kacy Green Steve Taraboi  
Angela Heinemann Travis Taraboi  
Jeff Heinemann

### BY STATEMENT

Dana LaMore

### SYMPATHIES

Michael Lenard in the death of his mother, Lucille Lenard

Frank (Deacon) and Carol Pierce in the death of her aunt, Lily Hibpshman

### FITNESS & RECREATION



### Jun 1-Aug 20

Give your kids a vacation from routine life! Our summer day camp for completed K-7th grades includes field trips, arts, sports, Bible study and MUCH more. Come for a day, a week or all summer! **VISIT** [HoustonsFirst.org/Daycation](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Daycation) for details and to register. **CONTACT** [dave.bundrick@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:dave.bundrick@HoustonsFirst.org); 713.957.6700.



**Sunday** 8 am-12:30 pm & 5-8 pm  
**Monday** Closed  
**Tuesday** 9 am-4 pm  
**Wednesday** 9 am-4 pm  
**Thursday** 9 am-4 pm  
**Friday & Saturday** Closed



### WEEKLY SUMMARY

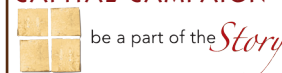
#### ATTENDANCE, MAY 9, 2010

Sunday Bible Study	3,340
Mission Bible Study	933
Weekday Bible Study	1,335
<b>Total Bible Study</b>	<b>5,608</b>
Wednesday MidLink	1,146

#### GIVING, WEEK ENDING MAY 9, 2010

Tithes & Offering	\$244,640
Weekly Requirements	\$293,142
Over/(Under)	(\$48,502)
Designated Gifts	\$19,948
Over/(Under) for May	\$68,786
Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD	\$465,157

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



#### WEEK ENDING MAY 9, 2010

Total Pledged	\$25,429,130
Donations Received	\$48,337
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED</b>	<b>\$17,385,124</b>

## weekend worship

May 16, 2010

### sundays

9:30 am  
11 am  
6:30 pm

### sunday Bible study

8:20 am  
9:30 am  
10:45 am  
5:15 pm

### sunday kids' worship

9:30 am  
11 am  
6:30 pm



HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

# HOUSTON PROJECT

## JULY 11-15

### REGISTER TODAY





## meet the pastor



pastor gregg matte

### DEAR CHURCH FAMILY & GUESTS,

Going on the mission field may mean simply going to the other side of town. This July, volunteers from Houston's First will share the love of Christ at 13 locations around the city during the annual Houston Project. From VBS to youth activities, food distribution to transportation, prayer walking to evangelism — and more — volunteers will give their

lives as they serve people in different neighborhoods and communities.

Today marks the official beginning of registration for this churchwide mission project. See the insert in today's worship guide for details, and stop by the Welcome Center in the Main Foyer to register or ask questions. Each year, around 1,000 volunteers from Houston's First serve during the Houston Project in some capacity. How will you give your life this year?

I invite you to come forward at the conclusion of the worship service, especially if you're a first time guest. Staff members are available to talk with you about becoming a Christian, being baptized, or joining our church — a relevant biblical community!

In Him, *Pastor Gregg Matte*

### NEED TO CONTACT US?

To contact HFBC staff, call the church at 713.681.8000 (Mon-Fri 8-4:30 pm) or email [firstname.lastname@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@HoustonFirst.org).

### HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Share your requests the following ways and we'll add them to our online prayer database!

- Click "Find Help" at [HoustonFirst.org](http://HoustonFirst.org)
- Text "PRAYFIRST [your name and requests]" to 41411
- Call our Prayerline at 713.335.6456
- Complete the attached "How Can We Help?" card
- Visit the Prayer, Missions & Connection Center

### LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

#### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

On Sun, May 30, Houston's First will follow our normal schedule with worship services at 9:30 am, 11 am and 6:30 pm, and Sunday Bible studies at 8:20 am, 9:30 am, 10:45 am and 5:15 pm. If you are out-of-town for the holiday weekend, gather with us online at [HoustonFirst.org/Webcast!](http://HoustonFirst.org/Webcast!)



**HOUSTON PROJECT REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**  
Registration is now open for the Houston Project, Jul 11-15. Among the 13 ministry sites around town is a new partnership with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) to provide a sports camp in West Houston. Interested in volunteering? We are looking for sports-minded individuals to assist with drills, VBS, prayer, and food distribution. Contact Becky Parker for more information about this FCA partnership at [becky.parker@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:becky.parker@HoustonFirst.org) or 713.957.5866. To register for the Houston Project, use today's worship guide insert or visit [HoustonFirst.org/HoustonProject](http://HoustonFirst.org/HoustonProject).



## GATHER our hearts >

### WORSHIP MINISTRY

#### HYMNS AND BELOVED SONGS OF THE FAITH

**Today @ 2:30 pm – Rehearsal Hall**

The handbell choirs from Houston's First and Jersey Village Baptist Church are teaming up to present some all-time favorite hymns, spirituals and songs. The groups will play on their own and join forces on several numbers. A short reception will follow the concert. Come see the renovated Rehearsal Hall and enjoy the concert, too! **CONTACT** [carol.kelly@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:carol.kelly@HoustonFirst.org), 713.335.6430.

### CHILDREN & STUDENTS

#### CAMP 456

**Jun 11-14 – Carolina Creek Christian Camp, Huntsville, TX**  
All current 4th, 5th & 6th graders are invited to spend a week-end away at camp discovering God's direction for you. Don't miss out on this fast sliding, high flying adventure including lots of games, swimming and canoeing at the lake, a rock wall, a 1,000 ft zip line and more! Speakers include Zac Hufty and Chad Overton with worship led by the Andy Rhea Band. **COST** \$275 Now-May 17, \$300 after May 17. **REGISTER** at [HoustonFirst.org/Camp456](http://HoustonFirst.org/Camp456). **CONTACT** [angie.savage@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:angie.savage@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.7621.

### HUB STUDENT MINISTRY

#### RUSHALOOZA

**Fri, Jun 4 @ 8 pm – Sat, Jun 5 @ 8 am**

Load up on caffeine for this all-night lock-out when our Student Ministry invades the city of Houston! The best thing about Rushalooza is — it's a surprise! You don't know what's coming next. A night full of fun, food and games from Fri night to Sat morning — what more could you ask for? **COST** \$45 online before Jun 2 or \$55 at the door. Get a "Summer Rush Power Card" for \$100 to cover Rushalooza AND all Summer Wed night activities! **REGISTER** at

[HoustonFirst.org/Rushalooza](http://HoustonFirst.org/Rushalooza). **CONTACT** [susan.newman@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:susan.newman@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.7631.

### SUMMIT MINISTRIES

#### AWKWARD SILENCE

**May 22-23 – Trinity Pines**

Young single adults are invited to a weekend away from the city on Lake Livingston where we will work to make sense of those "awkward silence" moments — at work, in meetings, with acquaintances and even in our journey with God. Speakers include John Bisagno, Eric Reed, and Malcolm Marshall with worship lead by Zach Hendricks. Sat night features the Gong Show followed by a 70s party! Need more time away? Sign up for Fri night, too (additional cost). **COST** \$69 Now-May 17, \$79 May 18-21, \$89 at the door. **REGISTER** at [HoustonFirst.org/AwkwardSilence](http://HoustonFirst.org/AwkwardSilence). **CONTACT** [holly.crain@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:holly.crain@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.7671.

## GROW our souls >>

### CHURCHWIDE

#### SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Each week, thousands of people go deeper into God's Word in Sunday Bible studies, and experience community along the way. Stop by the Welcome Center for help finding a Bible study that's right for you, or visit [HoustonFirst.org/BibleStudies](http://HoustonFirst.org/BibleStudies) and explore the options on your own. Here's some to consider:

- The Covenant @ 9:30 am – Rm 334  
For couples married 6-12 years
- Kingdom Service 2 @ 8:20 am – Rm 249  
For Adults 50-65 years
- His Word @ 8:20 am – Rm 145  
For Adults 65-75 years
- Quest and Awaken @ 9:30 am – West gym (Quest)/East gym (Awaken)

These two new classes for single adults 21-26 provide

great options for what every young adult needs — a solid biblical foundation, strong positive community, mid-week small groups and plenty of ways to serve and connect with like-minded and Christ-minded adults. **VISIT** [SummitYoungSingles.org](http://SummitYoungSingles.org).

#### HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

**Wed, May 19 @ 11:30 am – 1010 Lamar (lower level)**

Pastor Gregg Matte 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@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:diane.bagby@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.6781.

### COUNSELING CENTER

#### SPIRITUALLY INTIMATE MARRIAGE RETREAT

**Jun 24-28 – Colorado Springs, CO**

Married couples are invited to get away to the idyllic setting of Glen Eyrie in Colorado and reflect on God's purpose in bringing you together. You'll look beyond the butterflies in your stomach when you first met to the deeper longings within, knowing your self and each other as God created you to be. Spend 2 sessions a day on spiritual direction, followed by free time to explore God's creation or just relax. The Director of our Counseling Center, Adam Mason, will lead the retreat. **COST** \$950 per couple (not including airfare or ground transportation). **CONTACT** [adam.mason@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:adam.mason@HoustonFirst.org), 713.335.6460.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

#### SUMMER LOVIN'

**Every Tue, Jun 8-22 @ 9:30-11:30 am – Fellowship Ctr**

Women of all generations will enjoy small group discussions about "Lovin' Your Family" (Leigh Kohler), "Lovin' Your Life" (Lisa Taylor) and "Lovin' Your God" (Ashley Brown) with worship led by Star Smith. **REGISTER** for each session and for childcare at [HoustonFirst.org/SummerLovin](http://HoustonFirst.org/SummerLovin). **CONTACT** [carolyn.oneal@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:carolyn.oneal@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.7640.

## GIVE our lives >>>

### MISSIONS

#### MISSION TRIP INFO MEETING

Learn about this opportunity to serve on the mission field! Ask questions, get answers and see if this is where God is leading you to "give your life!" **CONTACT** [rochelle.ferrada@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:rochelle.ferrada@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.5861.

• Russia (orphanage) – trip dates Oct 6-15

**Today @ 12-1 pm – Rm 252 & 5:30-6:30 pm – Rm 251**

#### DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

**Every Wed, Jun 2-30 @ 6:30-7:30pm – Connection Ctr**

Discover the spiritual gifts God has given you in this 5-week class facilitated by Malcolm Marshall, Associate Minister of Connection & Community. **REGISTER** at [HoustonFirst.org/Events](http://HoustonFirst.org/Events). **CONTACT** [malcolm.marshall@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:malcolm.marshall@HoustonFirst.org), 713.335.6453.

### PASTORAL CARE

#### CANHOPE

**Mon, May 17 @ 6:45 pm – Reception Rm**

CanHope ministers to those who have been touched by cancer. This month, guest speaker Quart Graves shares how cancer has impacted his life, his family and his work. He is the world's longest-living survivor of an incredibly rare and deadly form of cancer. An entrée is provided. Please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. **CONTACT** [linda.askin@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:linda.askin@HoustonFirst.org), 713.957.6761.

### PRAYER

#### PRAYER DURING WORSHIP TRAINING

**Today, May 16 @ 5-6:30 pm – Connection Ctr**

This team of volunteers prays during each of the Sunday worship services. Team members sign up to pray one Sunday each month after going through training. **CONTACT** [charlotte.hudson@HoustonFirst.org](mailto:charlotte.hudson@HoustonFirst.org), 713.335.6451.

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## GET CONNECTED

Complete 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

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Check if this is a change of address

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Engaged  Widowed

Children living at home:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

### COMMENTS

**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 worshipers will appreciate your thoughtfulness.



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 [HoustonFirst.org/Prayer](http://HoustonFirst.org/Prayer).

### HOW CAN WE HELP? (turn over)