

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 directory & parking map

A

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

Post Oak Route
Marq'E Route
Walkway
Off Site Parking
Guest Parking
Not HFBC Parking

720 N Post Oak
710 N Post Oak
701 N Post Oak

PROPOSED CHURCH BUDGET
The church applies undesignated tithes and offerings toward the operating budget (The Great Commission Fund), which is voted on by the church body every year. The Finance Committee of the church meets on a monthly basis to review the church's financials. A summary of the church's monthly financials is presented to the Deacons and the church body at the monthly church conference. For the fiscal year beginning July 2010 and ending June 2011, the church's operating budget has been set at \$17,249,000.

A listing of ministries and departments under each of the categories can be found at HoustonsFirst.org/Financial. This operating budget will be presented for approval at the monthly church conference on Sun, Jun 6, at 4:45 pm in the Chapel. Everyone is invited to attend, but only members of the church may cast a vote. The allocations amongst ministries and areas of operation are as follows:

Missions	- \$2,149,080
FBA Support	- \$547,000
Ministries	- \$2,639,406
Pastoral	- \$1,050,978
Worship & Production	- \$1,102,224
Administration	- \$3,940,803
Communications	- \$647,877
Operations	- \$3,949,596
Capital Improvements/Debt Service	- \$1,222,038

DECISIONS MAY 23, 2010

BAPTIZED

Jesse Becerra	Sheri Sheppard
Amber Cervantes	Reece Weir
Matthew Leskovar	Charlie Wilkinson
Samreth Samreth	

FOR BAPTISM

Anita Naderi	Renee Summers
Brian Summers	

FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS

Jason Bozic	David Metcalf
Danna Chapman	Suzanne Metcalf
Robert Chapman	Debbie Rathburn
Cynthia Croft	Liz Savino
Jamie Gibbon	Mark Savino
Joshua Gibbon	Josh Schulze
Elizabeth Langley	Don Smith
Allston Marble	Mary Smith
Danica Marble	Candy Tamm
Janie Mendez	

BY STATEMENT

Steven Buchanan	Christy Watkins
Ross Gilbert	Joey Watkins
Stephanie Jones	

FITNESS & RECREATION

Daycation

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 for details and to register. **CONTACT** dave.bundrick@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.6700.

WEEKLY SUMMARY

ATTENDANCE, MAY 23, 2010

Sunday Bible Study	3,638
Mission Bible Study	895
Weekday Bible Study	577
Total Bible Study	5,110
Wednesday MidLink	455

GIVING, WEEK ENDING MAY 23, 2010

Tithes & Offering	\$292,218
Weekly Requirements	\$293,142
Over/(Under)	(\$924)
Designated Gifts	\$30,553
Over/(Under) for May	\$88,778
Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD	\$482,624

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

be a part of the *Story*

WEEK ENDING MAY 23, 2010

Total Pledged	\$25,433,130
Donations Received	\$43,692
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$17,475,989

weekend
worship

May 30, 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



meet the pastor



pastor gregg matte

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY & GUESTS,

Tomorrow is Memorial Day, a special day set aside when we remember the men and women of our armed forces who gave their lives to protect our nation's freedoms. Our prayers are with those families who have lost loved ones while serving our country, and with those who currently have loved ones serving here or overseas.

While we embrace and cherish the freedoms we know as Americans, believers in Jesus Christ embrace and cherish the freedoms that can only be found in the cross: freedom from condemnation, freedom from guilt, freedom from death. As we remember the men and women who sacrificed for us as Americans, let us all the more remember Him who sacrificed for all of mankind by paying the price for our sin – once and for all.

Let me thank Dr. David Self, our Executive Pastor, for delivering the message today as we conclude our study of Jacob in Genesis. Next week, I'll return with the first message in our series on Joseph.

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*

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.

a relevant biblical community • HoustonsFirst.org



Houston's First Baptist Church is a relevant biblical community where we gather our hearts, grow our souls, and give our lives as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20).

LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBER ORIENTATION

Whether you've recently joined or just visited Houston's First, come learn what it means to be a part of a relevant biblical community on Sun, Jun 13! Choose lunch at 12 noon or light snacks at 5 pm. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT** malcolm.marshall@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.335.6453.

"HERO OR HEEL" CD GIFT SETS NOW AVAILABLE

CD gift sets of Pastor Gregg's message series based on Jacob are available today in Corner Books for \$8. Stop by and get one for your own collection or to share with someone else!

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Nearly 1,200 people are fed each month through the Food Pantry at HFBC's Faith Center. On the first Sunday of each month, food donations are collected here at Houston's First to support this vital ministry. Bring non-perishable items next Sun, Jun 6, and leave them on collection tables in the CLC (gym) Lobby, the South Tower elevator lobby, or outside the Garden Rm. **CONTACT** 713.554.8801.



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Registration is now open for the Houston Project, Jul 11-15. This is our missionary journey to OUR city. During the evenings of July 11-15, Houston's First Baptist Church members will share the love of Christ in 13 locations across Houston. Ministries include Vacation Bible School, Youth Events, Adult Ministry, Food Distribution, Sports Ministry, Evangelism, and ⁺Pra⁺yer. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org/HoustonProject or stop by the Main Foyer today. **CONTACT** becky.parker@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5866: + + + +

FBA PRIMARY SCHOOL – NOW ENROLLING

FBA Primary School is currently enrolling for the 2010-11 school year. Classes are offered for Infants through Pre-K 5 and full-time and part-time programs are currently available. **CONTACT** lisa.spanjer@HFBA.org, 713.957.6720.

GATHER our hearts >

CHILDREN

SUMMER KICK-OFF PARTY

Fri, Jun 4 @ 6-10 pm – CLC (gym)

1st through 5th graders are invited to a night of games, giveaways, and a whole lot of fun! Pizza and snacks are included, plus it's free! No registration necessary. Parents – take advantage of Parents' Night Out for younger children that night! (See below.) **CONTACT** angie.savage@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7621.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Jun 28 – Jul 2 @ 9 am-12:30 pm – Houston's First

Parents – saddle up your youngins' (children entering Kindergarten – completed 5th grade) for a week at "Saddle Ridge Ranch" where they'll round up questions and drive home answers found in God's Word. Ranch activities include Bible study, crafts, missions, music, recreation, and snacks. You won't want to miss this rodeo! **CONTACT** laura.wallace@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7611. **COST** Free! **REGISTER** HoustonsFirst.org/VBS.

HUB STUDENT MINISTRY

RUSHAPALOOZA

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 Rushapalooza 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 Rushapalooza AND all Summer Wed night activities! **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org/Rushapalooza. **CONTACT** susan.newman@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7631.

SUMMIT & FUSION MINISTRIES

METROLIVE

Every Thu, Jun 3-Jul 29 @ 7:30 pm (except Jul 15)

MetroLIVE is for the 20s-30s generation, whether married, single, or in college. This is a great place to gather, grow, and give this summer! Join us in the Worship Center for impactful speaking, powerful worship, and great fellowship with teaching by Curtis Jones and worship led by Zach Hendricks. **CONTACT** metrolive@HoustonsFirst.org. **VISIT** MetroLIVE.org.

FUSION MINISTRIES

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Fri, Jun 4 @ 6-10 pm

Let the Preschool and Recreation Ministries take care of the kids while you enjoy a romantic date night, go out with friends, enjoy an activity with your Bible study class—or just do something fun without the kids! **COST** 1 child \$10, 2 children \$15, 3 children \$20, 4+ children \$25. **REGISTER** by May 31 at HoustonsFirst.org/ParentsNightOut. **CONTACT** christen.barrios@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7681. Note: Preschoolers only (birth-5 years old). Kids who have completed Kindergarten-5th grade can attend the Summer Kick-Off Party for free in the CLC (see above).

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 HoustonsFirst.org/

BibleStudies and explore the options on your own. Here's some to consider:

- InJoy the Journey @ 9:30 am – Rm 333 For couples age 30+, married 1-3 years
- The Joint Venture @ 10:45 am – Rm 258 For couples 40-54 years
- The Refiners @ 10:45 am – Rm 249 For adults 65-77 years

HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Jun 2 @ 11:30 am – 1010 Lamar (lower level)

Jason Swiggart 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.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Every Wed, Jun 2-Aug 18 @ 7-8 pm – Oasis Rm

Stay connected this summer with a mid-week Bible study on the Gospel of Luke led by Steve Knox. This Bible study is open to all ages. **CONTACT** steve.knox@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5886.

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 HoustonsFirst.org/SummerLovin. **CONTACT** carolyn.oneal@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7640.

GIVE our lives >>>

MISSIONS

FAMILY MISSION TRIP

Fri, Jul 30 @ 7 am-7 pm – Galveston

Children K-5th grade and their families are invited to a mis-

sion day trip to Galveston! Serve together with your family by cleaning up the beach, delivering school supplies to needy families and sharing the love of Christ with others. After a long day's work, gather for a surprise treat including dinner! **COST** \$40/person, max \$160/family. **REGISTER** at HoustonsFirst.org/MissionTrips. (Limited to 100 people!) **CONTACT** chad.overton@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7625.

COUNSELING

FIRST HOPE JOB MINISTRY

Sat, Jun 5 @ 9 am-Noon – Rm 602

First HOPE seeks to help others procure employment. At this month's free meeting, discuss and learn tips on resume writing, interviewing, and networking and gain the necessary resources for obtaining employment. Most importantly, receive biblical encouragement specifically designed for the job seeker. **VISIT** HoustonsFirst.org/FirstHopeJobMinistry. **CONTACT** hope@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.335.6471.

VOLUNTEER

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for details about the following opportunities and other ways you can serve.

SUMMER KICK-OFF PARTY TEAM – Children's Ministry

CONTACT angie.savage@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.7621

FOOD PANTRY TEAM – The Faith Center

CONTACT claudia.reyes@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.554.8800

PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM – Creative Services

CONTACT steven.murray@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.957.5890

FARM & RANCH VOLUNTEER TEAM – Hunt Retreat

CONTACT bill.murrell@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.303.6374

CONNECTION CENTER TEAM

Prayer, Missions & Connection Center

CONTACT jerrell.altic@HoustonsFirst.org; 713.335.6450

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

() I am a first time guest today.

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

Check all that apply:

() College student (school):

() Single

() Single parent

() Engaged (fiancé):

() Married (since date):

() Widowed

() Veteran (branch):

CONTACT INFORMATION () Check if this is a change of address.

Name _____ Today's Date _____

Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Primary Phone # _____ Birthdate (mm/dd/yy) _____

Email _____

Children living at home: _____ School _____

Name _____ Grade _____

HOW CAN WE HELP? (turn over)



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.