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 1 Chapel 1 Connection Center

1 Rms 143 & 145 1 Library 1 Main Fover 1 Preschool Check-In 1 Worship Center

B 3 The Clubhouse 6 Counseling Center

1 FBA Primary School 3 The Loft 1 Pastoral Care

C 1 First Baptist Academy 1 Oasis Rm 1 FBA Library

D 1 Café 1 Christian Life Center 2 Rms 249-270 2 Crafts Rm (270)

3 Rms 362-366 1 Fellowship Center 3 Student Ministry 2 Fitness Center 1 Welcome Center

1 Garden Rm

Welcome Centers *Numbers next to location indicate floor

1 Reception Rm

2 Rehearsal Hall

3 Rms 330-336

1 Rms 100-108

2 Rms 200-208

4 Rms 400 408

5 Rms 500-508

1 Harbor Rm

3 Rms 301 303: 319, 322-329

1 Welcome Center



Memorial Dr

Wednesday Nights at Houston's First

MIDLINK CAFÉ

4:45-6:45 pm – Fellowship Center Casual dining with food for all ages!

THE LINK

7-8 pm – Oasis Rm Bible study with Curtis Jones

MILESTONES

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink for fu schedule.

MUSIC REHEARSALS

7-8:30 pm

Choir - Rehearsal Hall (open) Singers – Rm 330 (open) Orchestra – Worship Ctr (by audition)

JUST FOR KIDS MISSION FRIENDS

6-7 pm - Birth-4 yrs 6-8:30 pm - Birth-K Check-in in Main Foyer

HIGH 5 KIDS' CHOIR

6-7 pm – Walk-ins welcome! PreK-K - The Clubhouse (Rm 303) 1st -5th - The Loft (Rm 301)

BREAKOUT

7-8:30 pm – CLC (Gym) 1st-5th Grades

JUST FOR STUDENTS WIRED

6:30-8 pm – Rm 364 Middle School students

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

Decisions SEP 12, 2010 **SALVATION IN CHRIST**

Judy Akins Cassidy West Jenna Bunvan

BAPTIZED

Ted Napp Lexie Burk Ashley Greer Jennifer O'Rear Muntana Robinson Chelsea Greer Pat Sakaew Mary Huynh Harrison Loveless

FOR BAPTISM

Gae Bowman David Guarino Michael Howell Joshua Roberts

Holli Yarqo FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS

Luis Salcedo

Will Saunders

Kindra Campbell Charlie Molina Christopher Carter Michael Nichley **Ruth Colvin** Kate Normand Josh Dyson Martin Normand Julie Dyson Eva Olvera Zack Edens Viridiana Olvera Bill Fox Yuliana Petrora Nancy Fox Diana Rivera Jacy Guidry Jose Rivera **Emily Saller Aaron Howell Emilie Howell** Matt Saller Cathren Saunders Katie Howell Marla Howell Deb Turner Michael Turner

Births

Shawn Howell

Diana Mercado

Brooke Mercado

BY STATEMENT

 Robert and Ronna Harris in the birth of their son, Luke Harris

Cindy Wu

David Wu

Lupe Cruz

son, Logan Reid; Brother: Grayson Skolaut TOTAL RECEIVED

Sympathies

Mary Ann Wilson in the death of her husband, Leo Wilson; Daughters: Carolyn (Staff) and her husband, Les O'Neal (Deacon) and Linda and her husband, Ken Sims; Grandson: Allen (Deacon) and his wife, Dana O'Neal; Great-granddaughter: Hailey O'Neal

 Gwen Evans in the death of her husband. Randy Evans

 Ken and Carol Yowell in the death of his brother, Larry Yowell

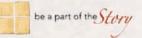
• Walter and Kathryn Thurmond in the death of his bother, Ted Thurmond; Niece: Elissa Thurmond: Nephew: Tim Thurmond

Weekly Summary ATTENDANCE, SEP 12, 2010

Sunday Bible Study 3,984 Mission Bible Study 998 Weekday Bible Study 706 **Total Bible Study** 5,688 Wednesday MidLink 721

GIVING, WEEK ENDING SEP 12, 2010 Tithes & Offering \$271,212 Weekly Requirements \$315,839 (\$44,627) Over/(Under) **Designated Gifts** \$26,872 (\$40,752) Over/(Under) for Aug Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD (\$396,080)

Capital Campaign



WEEK ENDING SEP 12, 2010

\$25,444,592 Total Pledged \$624,979 \$19,354,948

Weekend Worship

Sep 19, 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

being a **HOUSE** of **PRAYER**



men:

See "Gather Our Hearts" inside and visit us online at HoustonsFirst.org/MenPray

SAT, SEP 25 @ 8-10 AM FELLOWSHIP CENTER

HoustonsFirst.org • 713.681.8000 • 7401 Katy Freeway • Houston, TX 77024

Dear Church Family & Guests,

In this year's vision video, you heard my desire for Houston's First to be a house of prayer. We have the needs of our church members and staff. fact, here in the worship you can submit prayer requests to this team of faithful volunteers.

This Saturday, I invite all of the men of our church – young and old - to join me and others at Men: Pray. At this dedicated time of prayer, men will unite and intercede for each other, our families, our church and our nation. You don't have to be eloquent at praying. You don't even have to pray out loud! Simply come and join other men as we go before the Lord together. Details can be found under "Gather Our Hearts" below.

Finally, I invite you to come forward at the conclusion of the worship service. Staff members and I are available to talk with you about becoming a Christian, being baptized or joining our church - a relevant biblical community.

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 HoustonsFirst.org
- Text "PRAYFIRST [your name and requests]" to 41411
- Call our Praverline at 713.335.6456
- Complete the attached "How Can We Help?" card
- Visit the Prayer, Missions & Connection Center

Need to Contact Us?

To contact HFBC staff, call 713.681.8000 (Mon-Fri, 8-4:30 pm) or email FirstName.LastName@HoustonsFirst.org.

Latest News & Updates

VOTER REGISTRATION

Want to vote in November? The deadline to register is Oct 4. Stop by Voter Registration tables in the Main Fover and CLC Lobby to register or ask questions about the process. Also, visit HoustonsFirst.org/ Events for an online card you can complete, print and mail in yourself. Voters Guides will be available in the coming weeks.

WORSHIP TEAMS MAGAZINE

Pick up a free copy today of the latest Worship Teams magazine and discover what's going on and coming up in the Worship Ministry at Houston's First! Content includes Choir, Orchestra, Bands, Singers, Production Communications and more!



Gather Our Hearts



Men's Ministry MEN: PRAY

Sat. Sep 25 @ 8-10 am

invited to join Pastor Gregg, William Taylor, Roger Bridgwater and others for a special gathering to pray for our friends, families, homes, church, city, country and world. A light breakfast will be provided. COST Free! REGISTER HoustonsFirst.org/Men. CONTACT Christen.Barrios@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7681.

Women's Ministry "MEET ME AT THE WELL" FALL RETREAT Oct 8-9 – Westchase Hilton, Houston

Need to be refreshed, refilled, and renewed by God? Meet Jesus "at the well" and spend time with your girlfriends,

too. Speakers include Donna Gaines, Gina Webster, Adam Mason and Star Smith, with worship led by Lisa Pierre. COST \$75-\$139. REGISTER today in the Main Foyer or online at HoustonsFirst.org/MeetMeAtTheWell. CONTACT Jan.Butterfras@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7642.



Grow Our Souls

Churchwide SBS LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON

Sun, Sep 26 @ 11:30 am-1:45 pm - CLC (Gym)

The Sunday Bible Study (SBS) Leadership Luncheon is for leaders and workers from ALL age divisions – plus anybody interested in serving as one! Lunch is provided. Activities and meals for children are provided by registration for 11:30 am and lunch for all others begins at noon with the Rebekah.Anderson@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.335.6461. main presentation at 12:30 pm. **REGISTER** by Mon, Sep 20 at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. CONTACT Jeanene.Andrus@ Hub Student Ministry HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7601.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

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 study that's right for you, or visit HoustonsFirst.org/BibleStudies and explore the options or vour own. Here's some to consider:

- Oxygen @ 8:20 am Rm 274C For women ages 20-45
- Kingdom Service @ 9:30 am Rm 259 For adults ages 50-60
- Blueprints @ 9:30 am Rm 335 For couples married 1-3 years
- Joint Ventures @ 10:45 am Rm 258 For adults ages 40-54

HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Sep 22 @ 11:30 am - 1010 Lamai

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.

Counseling Center PARENTING SEMINARS

Every Tue, beginning Sep 21 @ 11 am or 5 pm - Rm 602 Every Wed, Oct 6-Nov 3 @ 6:30-8 pm - Connection Ctr This 8-week course provides biblically sound information Grow in your understanding of Muslims and their culture and support for parents by developing a parenting strate- to gain confidence in pursuing friendships with them gy as their children go through various stages of develop- In this Missional Milestones course, you will learn how ment. With two times to choose from, the course is video- to build bridges that lead to authentic relationships in and activity-based and led by a therapist on the Counseling order to love them like Jesus did. COST \$10. REGISTER Center's family team. COST \$40 per 1 hour weekly session. HoustonsFirst.org/MissionalMilestones.

birth-5th grade. Lunch for 8:20 am leadership begins at VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/CounselorLedGroups. CONTACT

RITE OF PASSAGE PARENTING

Sun, Oct 3 @ 12:15-3 pm - Rm 362

Parents of 5th-9th graders are invited to this Milestones class taught by Dr. Walker Moore, speaker and author of Rite of Passage Parenting. Dr. Moore will teach parents how to build into their children's lives the essential experiences that every child needs while helping them move Pastoral Care toward adulthood in a healthy way. Lunch is provided CANHOPE for \$5. **CONTACT** Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org 713.957.7631.

Women's Ministry SISTERS IN SUPPORT

Every Wed, Sep 29-Nov 17 @ 6-8 pm - Rm 192F (FBA) Join Joanna Poor and other moms on a spiritual journey at 713.957.6761 or 713.957.6762. toward growth and healing as they discover God's strength while mourning the death of a child. The Prayer Ministry book accompanying this study, Gone But Not Lost by David Wiersbe, is available in Corner Books. **REGISTER** HoustonsFirst.org/Women. CONTACT Jan.Butterfras@ Executive Pastor David Self will speak at this HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7642.

Give Our Lives

Missions UNDERSTANDING ISLAM

MISSION TRIPS

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MissionTrips to learn more: • Russia – Orphanage (Oct 6-15)

FAITH CENTER DEDICATION AND OPEN HOUSE

Sat, Oct 17 @ 2-5 pm - Faith Center

Mark your calendars and save the date as our church officially celebrates and dedicates the Faith Center of HFBC to the glory of God! VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/FaithCenter CONTACT 713,554,8801.

Mon, Sep 20 @ 6:45 pm - Garden Rm

CanHope, ministering to families touched by cancer, will meet on Mon, Sep 20 for fellowship, prayer and an encouraging word from Dan Moran, retired Marine Captain, An entree is provided; please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. Everyone is invited! CONTACT Pastoral Care

PRAYER DURING WORSHIP TRAINING

Sun, Sep 26 @ 5 pm - Rm 251

This informational and training meeting is for those interested in joining the prayer team. The team prays during the Sunday worship services for Pastor Gregg, the worship team, the congregation, and for those who do not know Christ as Savior, CONTACT Charlotte, Hudson@Houstons-First.org, 713.335.6451.

Volunteer

Visit us online at HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for ways you can serve! Here are a few opportunities available: Honey Do Team (Adult Enrichment/Spiritual Maturity) Enrichment Team (Married Young Adults), Midlink Meal Team (Culinary Services), Pay Days (Counseling Center), Baptism Photographer (Prayer, Missions & Connection Center).

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.

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.