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 publi
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!

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Campus Directory & Parking Map



Bookstore 1 Chapel 1 Connection Center 1 Library

1 Pastoral Care

3 Rms 330-336 1 Main Fover 1 Preschool Check-In

T FBA Primary School 3 The Loft

2 Rms 200-208 3 Rms 301-303, 319, 322-329 4 Rms 400 408 5 Rms 500-508

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)

1 Fellowship Center 2 Fitness Center

1 Garden Rm

1 Welcome Center Welcome Centers *Numbers next to location indicate floor

1 Harbor Rm

1 Reception Rm

2 Rehearsal Hall

1 Rms 100-108



Memorial Dr

Wednesday Niahts at Houston's First Ved. Nov 17 is the last MidLink for this semester! MIDLINK CAFÉ

4:45-6:45 pm - Fellowship Ctr Casual dining with food for all ages! THE LINK

7-8 pm - Oasis Rm Bible study with Curtis Jones 1 Rms 143 & 145 MILESTONES

Essential classes and events offered 1 Welcome Center throughout the semester. VISIT Hous-1 Worship Center tonsFirst.ora/MidLink for full 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 at Main Fover

3 Rms 362-366 HIGH 5 KIDS' CHOIR 3 Student Ministry

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 NOV 7, 2010 **FOR BAPTISM**

Dominique Francis JoBeth Prochaska Kelly Hansen Arthur Pallaras

Joseph Prochaska Rhonda Rav Martha Pallaras Lauren Trotti BAPTIZED

Tyler Botteman Asenat Onguene

Lauryn Edwards FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS

Bret Bourgeois Lauren Leturno Seven Simms Stacy Bourgeois Winter Butler **Emily Franks Nick Franks** Rafael Guzman

Dustin Trotti Brenda Wright Michelle Wright

BY STATEMENT Charles Ray

Births

· Sherry Richardson, in the birth of great neice, Kristin Michelle Caka

Sympathies

· Randy and Julie Stulken, in the death of his father, Max Stulken

· Betty and Bob Driver, in the death of her mother, Luline LeMoine

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8 am-12:30 pm & 5-8 pm Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday**



Friday &

Saturday

Corner Books gift cards now available.

Closed

9 am-4 pm

9 am-8 pm

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Weekly Summary ATTENDANCE, NOV 7, 2010

Sunday Bible Study 3,889 Mission Bible Study Weekday Bible Study 237 **Total Bible Study** 5,078 Wednesday MidLink 1,018

GIVING, WEEK ENDING NOV 7, 2010

Tithes & Offering \$380,197 \$315,839 Weekly Requirements Over/(Under) \$64,358 \$35,260 Designated Gifts Over/(Under) for Nov \$64,358 Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD (\$405,522)

Capital Campaign



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WEEK ENDING NOV 7, 2010

Total Pledged \$25,446,592.77 **Donations Received** \$78,729,21 TOTAL RECEIVED \$19,928,039

Weekend Worship

Nov 14, 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



A MESSAGE SERIES BY GREGG MATTE

Pastor Gregg Matte

Dear Church Family & Guests, If you haven't already, stop

by the Main Fover today for a healthy dose of Christmas cheer! The decorations are up and donations for The Christmas Store are piling up, too. Thanks to everybody who brought new unwrapped gifts to be used during this ministry to families in our community on December 4. Be

sure to sign up to volunteer as 500 helpers are needed to make the day a success.

With December right around the corner, plan on making Houston's First a part of your Christmas season this year. Today's worship guide insert lists just a few of the opportunities for you to gather, grow and give as we celebrate this special time together. Look for even more opportunities in your Sunday Bible Study and at HoustonsFirst.org.

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.

Parton Gregg



First Family

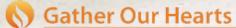
How Can We Pray For You?

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 Prayerline 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 am-4:30 pm) or email FirstName.LastName@ HoustonsFirst.org.



Summit Young Single Adults SUMMIT CELEBRATES

Fri, Nov 19 @ 8 pm - Chapel

Young single adults are invited to celebrate through song, prayer, and testimony of God's power to save and our privilege to spread His Word, Also, hear about upcoming opportunities that will equip you to share your faith, then stick around for coffee and fellowship. VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/Summit. CONTACT Ryan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7672.

SNOW JAM 2011

Apr 14-18 – Winter Park, CO

Make plans to hit the slopes with Summit Young Single Adults for their annual ski trip! Due to popular demand, we're returning to Winter Park Resort, a premier ski destination in North America. VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/SnowJam for details. CONTACT Rvan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org.

Women's Ministry CAPTIVATED TOGETHER

Sat, Nov 20 @ 10 am-3 pm - Fellowship Ctr

Are you a twenty-something girl longing for connection, growth, realness, and purpose? Then come to the Captivated Together conference this Saturday where 6 women, led by Tammie Head, will step forward to take on the challenge of mentoring the next generation of twenty-somethings. COST \$15, including lunch. VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/ CaptivatedTogether to register. CONTACT Jan.Butterfras@ HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7642.

Grow Our Souls

Churchwide **SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES**

Go deeper into God's Word in Sunday Bible studies, and experi-

ence 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:

- Opening the Bible @ 8:20 am Rm 258 For adults ages 60+
- Joint Venture @ 10:45 am Rm 258 For adults ages 40-45
- · Oikos @ 10:45 am Harbor Rm For young single adults and married young adults Taught by HBU Professor Dr. Jamie Johns

HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Nov 17 @ 11:30 am - 1010 Lamar (Lower Level) Executive Pastor David Self will speak at this week's down town 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.

HUB Student Ministry UPCOMING MILESTONES COURSES

Wed, Nov 17

The HUB Student Ministry hosts 2 upcoming Milestones courses. No RSVP required!

- Welcome To Adolescence @ 6-8 pm Rm 362 Parents of 5th - 7th graders, this seminar focuses on the The Christmas Store on Sat, Dec 4, provides Christmas gifts physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual changes for families within our community. Drop off your new unthat many adolescents face as they grow and develop. Led by Zac Hufty, Middle School Minister.
- Practical Prep For College @ 6-8 pm Rm 366 Juniors, Seniors and their parents will get info on Tracy.Collier@HoustonsFirst.org. admissions, financial aid, gap year and being spiritually prepared for college. Led by Doug Bischoff, Lee Hsia and Nate Stewart, this course includes a Q&A with current college students and seminar presenters. Open to families outside of HFBC.



Give Our Lives

Churchwide

"THY WILL BE DONE" SEMINARS

Nov 19 & 21 - Fellowship Ctr

What will happen to your money when you pass away? Do you have an advance directive in place? HFBC member and financial planner Lantz Bowman leads two free seminars to help you take the next step toward planning for your future: Fri, Nov 19 @ 6:30-8:30 (dinner) and Sun, Nov 21 @ 12:30-2:30 (lunch). Childcare available with registration by today, Nov 14. REGISTER at HoustonsFirst.org/Events CONTACT Kerry.Hunter@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5806.

Fitness & Recreation BLOOD DRIVE

Nov 21 @ 8 am-2 pm - Outside CLC

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will host a blood driv located outside the CLC (gym) entrance next Sunday. Give the gift of life and donate blood! **CONTACT** Debbie.Brown@ HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.6701.

Missions

CHRISTMAS STORE GIFT COLLECTION

Today - Main Foyer

wrapped gifts in the Main Foyer today, then sign up to serve First.org, 713.335.6451. as one of 500 volunteers at the Christmas Store in December! VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/TheChristmasStore. CONTACT

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Today & Sun, Nov 21

Provide a gift-filled shoebox to be sent to hurting children (The Faith Center), Lord's Supper Preparation Team (Adult Enaround the world! The Missions Office will serve as a drop-off point on Sun, Nov 14 and 21. VISIT SamaritansPurse.org for school & Kindergarten) & Event Team (Married Young Adults).

suggested toys and other details. CONTACT Rochelle.Ferrada@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5861.

WORLD MISSION OFFERING

Nov 2010 - Jan 2011

This annual offering supports 5,000 missionaries around the world serving with the Southern Baptist Convention. These funds given above our tithes are dispersed to the IMB, NAMB, and Southern Baptists of Texas State Missions. Give online or in WMO envelopes in the seatbacks! CONTACT Rochelle.Ferrada@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5861

Pastoral Care CANHOPE

Mon, Nov 15 @ 6:45 pm - Oasis Rm

CanHope, ministering to families touched by cancer, will meet for fellowship, prayer and an encouraging word from Stacie Haines and John Sears. An entree is provided; please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. Everyone is invited! CONTACT Pastoral Care, 713,957,6761 or 713,957,6762

Prayer Ministry

PRAYER DURING WORSHIP TRAINING

Today @ 3 pm - Rm 145 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-

Volunteering

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for details about the following opportunities and nearly 100 ways you can serve His Kingdom: Children's Church Sunday School Teachers richment), Phase II (Pastoral Care), Heartland Volunteers (Pre-

Remember to pray for the thousands of names written on the floor of the Worship Center and the renovated

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.