

Milestones
Essential classes and events offered throughout the semester on Wednesdays (and other days). Visit HoustonsFirst.org/ Milestones for full schedule.

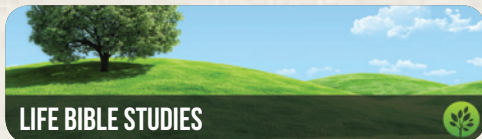
CHURCHWIDE
4:45-6:30p
MidLink Café – Fellowship Center
7-8p
The Link – Bible Study with Larry Lilley – Garden Rm

WORSHIP / MUSIC
7-8:30p
Band – Chapel
Singers – Rm 337 (Studio)
Choir – Rehearsal Hall
Orchestra – Worship Center (by audition)

PRESCHOOL
6-7p
Wee Praise (Babies-1s) – Preschool Suite
W.O.W. – Worship Our Way Choir (2s & 3s) – Preschool Suite
High 5 Choir (4s & 5s) – Clubhouse (Rm 303)
7-8p
Mission Friends (Birth-Kindergarten) – Preschool Suite

CHILDREN
6-7p
High 5 Choir (1st-5th grade) – Loft (Rm 301)
7-8:30p
Breakout (1st-5th grade) – Fitness & Rec Center (Gym)

STUDENTS
6:30-8p
Wired (Middle School) – Rm 364
7-8:30p
Amp (High School) – Rm 363



Visit the Welcome Center for help finding a Life Bible Study, or visit HoustonsFirst.org/BibleStudies. Here are some to consider:

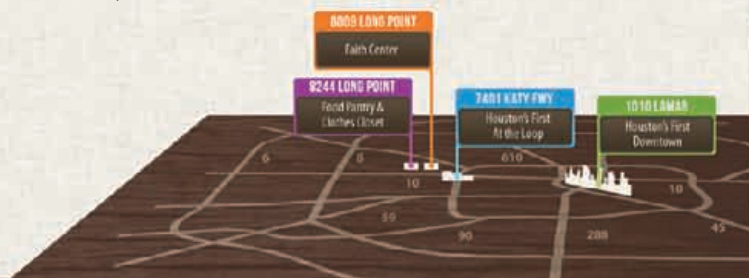
- **New Every Morning** @ 8:20a, Rm 334, adults 60-75
- **Joint Heirs** @ 10:45a, Rm 274C, adults 40-60
- **Ignite** @ 10:45a, Bowling Alley, single adults 20-39
- **High Altitude** @ 4:15p, Fellowship Ctr C/D, couples married 3-12 yrs



Wed, Jan 11 @ 11:30a – 1010 Lamar (tunnel level)
Executive Pastor David Self speaks at this week's Downtown Bible study at the location of our Downtown Campus. Lunch begins at 11:30a for \$8, and Bible study takes place from 12:10-12:40p.

HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint
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TIMES, LOCATIONS & CONNECTIONS

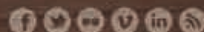


SUNDAYS AT THE LOOP

Worship 9:30a - 11a - 5:30p
Life Bible Study 8a - 9:30a - 10:45a - 1:15p - 6:45p
Kids' Worship 9:30a - 11a - 5:30p

SUNDAYS DOWNTOWN

Worship 11a
Life Bible Study 9:30a



FIRST THOUGHT WITH PASTOR GREGG



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New beginnings are not limited to dates on the calendar. That said, the start of a new year provides a great starting point to establish new habits, to pursue new goals, or to simply turn over a new leaf. Is that where you are as 2012 gets underway – ready for a new beginning? The Bible tells us that “if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; old things have passed away, and look, new things have come.” (2 Corinthians 5:17) In this new year, make abiding in Christ your first priority. If you haven't met Him yet, it would be our joy to introduce you.

In Him,

Pastor Gregg

COMING

MIDLINK RETURNS JAN 11

Every Wed, Jan 11-May 9
The Houston's First family gathers each Wednesday for an evening of opportunities for the whole family: dinner, Bible studies, special classes, music rehearsals, programming for preschoolers through students, and more.



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
CONNECTING THE BODY FROM SUNDAY TO SUNDAY

HoustonsFirst.org/Midlink
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NEWS + UPDATES

TWEET OF THE WEEK: Thanks @HoustonsFirst for making a big deal of Jesus. #Celebration2011 -- @eomenson

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.



FITNESS EXPO

Today @ Noon-3p – Fitness & Recreation Center
See what the Fitness & Recreation Ministry has to offer at this free expo for the whole church family! Preview cardio classes, win some great door prizes, plus free food for the first 300 people.

HoustonsFirst.org/Recreation
Debbie.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org



AS WE GO MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Jan 13-14 – Houston's First
Hey 7th-12th graders – spend a weekend focusing on missions! At this 24 hour missions experience, Dave Weston will speak on "The Persecuted Church," and Roger Cullins will lead worship. Cost is \$50. Register online.

HoustonsFirst.org/HUBMissions
Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org



IMPACTED BY CANCER?

Mon, Jan 16 @ 6:45p – Reception Rm
CanHope, ministering to families touched by cancer, will meet for fellowship, prayer, testimonies, and a word from Rick Jones. An entree is provided; please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. Everyone is invited!

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XEE EVANGELISM TRAINING

Every Sun, Jan 8-Feb 26 @ 4-5p – Rm 504
XEE is lifestyle witness training to equip believers to share the Gospel conversationally within the context of relationships. This 7-week training will be taught by Jonathan Huegel and Lee Hsia. Cost is free!

HoustonsFirst.org/EvangelismEquipping
Jonathan.Huegel@HoustonsFirst.org



GIVING LIFE AWAY EXPO 2011

Sun, Jan 15 @ 8:30a-1:30p & 4-8:30p – Main Foyer
Stop by this all-day event to discover where you can give, go, or pray for missions locally or internationally. Learn about mission trips and other opportunities to give your life away! Expo in place through Jan 22.

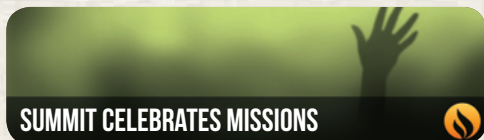
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OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

Mon, Jan 23 @ 6-7:30p – Oasis Rm
First Baptist Academy invites families considering a private Christian education for their children thru 8th grade to attend the Winter Open House for Prospective Families. Meet administrators and faculty and learn what FBA has to offer!

FBAHouston.org
713.290.2524



SUMMIT CELEBRATES MISSIONS

Fri, Jan 13 @ 7p – Oasis Rm (180)
Young single adults are invited to celebrate God and missions through music and prayer. Enjoy dinner with delicacies from nations Summit is visiting in 2012, then stick around for coffee & fellowship afterward.

SummitYoungSingles.org
Ryan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org



MISSIONARY INTERCESSORY PRAYER TIME

Sun, Jan 15 @ 2-4p – Reception Rm
This time of intercession led by Mary Ann Bridgwater of Pray the Word Ministries is open to everyone. After stopping by the Giving Life Away Expo, come as a response as we lift up missionaries and their families.

HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer
Charlotte.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org



MIDNIGHT MADNESS

Fri, Jan 27 @ 5:30p-Midnight – Fitness & Recreation Ctr
Current and potential Life Bible Study leaders will gather for this annual equipping event for great training, inspiring vision, fantastic giveaways, interactive fun & dinner! Cost is free. Register online.

HoustonsFirst.org/MidnightMadness
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COMING UP

FEB 04 **On Bended Knee**
Men: Pray / Women: Pray
8-10a – Fellowship Ctr

FEB 04 **First HOPE Job Ministry Meeting**
9a-Noon – Rm 602
HoustonsFirst.org/FirstHopeJobMinistry

FEB 10-12 **Summit Retreat: Spring Training**
Trinity Pines, Livingston, TX
SummitYoungSingles.org

FEB 10 **Date Night Houston with Tim Hawkins**
7p – Worship Ctr
HoustonsFirst.org/DateNightHouston

FEB 12 **Make It Your Church Orientation**
12:30p or 4p
HoustonsFirst.org/NewMember

FEB 24 **Girls' Night Out with Abby Rike**
6:30-9p – Fellowship Ctr
HoustonsFirst.org/AbbyRike

MAR 02-03 **Men's Conference with Steve Farrar**
At the Loop
HoustonsFirst.org/Men

MAR 05-07 **Senior Adult Revival With Dr. John Bisagno**
Fellowship Ctr
HoustonsFirst.org/Adults60Plus

TODAY
Deacons Meetings
The Deacon Administrative Committee meets today at 2:30p in Rm 249. The entire Deacon body meets at 3:30p in the Chapel.
Church Conference
This monthly gathering meets today at 4:30p in the Chapel to discuss financials, membership reports, etc. Anybody may attend, but only church members may vote.

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CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT. Worship requires our full attention. We ask that you: >> silence cell phones >> use the restroom before the service (take your children, too!) >> remain seated once our time of Bible study begins. At the end of the worship service, people will be invited to accept Christ or join the church. Please remain in the service during this time. Pastor Gregg and other worshipers will appreciate your thoughtfulness.