



HOUSTON PROJECT

Be a missionary to your own city.

Jul 8-12

Have you ever wanted to be a missionary or go on a mission trip? Now's your chance! Be a missionary to your own city during the Houston Project the evenings of Jul 8-12.

Choose from 16 ministry sites around town to serve with Vacation Bible School, Youth Events, Adult Ministry, Evangelism, Prayer, Sports Ministry or Food Distribution.

The cost is \$45 for adults, \$35 for single parents & college students and free for kids under 18. Like any other mission trip, these funds help pay for supplies, food, transportation, t-shirts and other needs.

If you're unable to participate this year, please lift this effort up in prayer, or support it financially by giving online at HoustonsFirst.org/HoustonProject.

Important Dates:

Initial Site Meetings

Today @ 2p – At the Loop

Evangelism Training

Sun, Jul 1 @ 12:30p – Oasis Rm

Kick Off Rally and Final Site Meetings

Sat, Jul 7 @ 10:30a – At the Loop



HoustonsFirst.org/HoustonProject
or stop by the Main Foyer to register



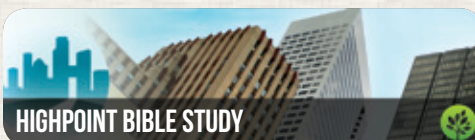
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LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

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

- **Opening the Bible** @ 8a, Rm 249, adults ages 60+
- **Blueprints** @ 9:15a, Rm 505, couples married 2-4 years
- **Dayspring** @ 10:45a, Garden Rm, women of all ages
- **Night Light** @ 6:45p, Fellowship Ctr A/B, single adults ages 30+



HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Jun 27 @ 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.

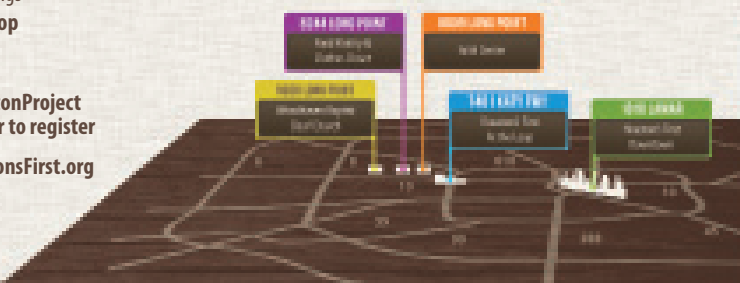


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TIMES, LOCATIONS & CONNECTIONS

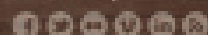


SUNDAYS AT THE LOOP

Worship 9:00a – 10:00a • 10:30p
Life Bible Study 9a • 9:15a • 10:45a • 4:15p • 6:00p
Kids' Worship 9:15a • 11a • 5:30p

SUNDAYS DOWNTOWN

Worship 7:15a
Life Bible Study 9:30a



FIRST THOUGHT

WITH PASTOR GREGG



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Our *Real Life. Real People.* message series continues today with a topic most people do not like to talk about, especially at church – money. But, in the Bible, Jesus talks about money more than any other topic except the Kingdom of God. He knew that our relationship with money reveals much about our relationship with our Heavenly Father. It wasn't the money itself He was concerned about. Rather, He looked at how earthly treasures can take our focus off of the eternal riches only He provides. So, let's not be hesitant to talk about money – let's embrace it just as Jesus did.

In Him,

Pastor Gregg

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Jun 25-29 @ 9a-12:30p – At the Loop

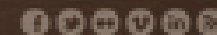
"Amazing Wonders" VBS at Houston's First begins tomorrow! Children K-5th grade will encounter God like never before – all against the backdrop of some of the world's most marvelous natural wonders. And, it's free! Register at the door.



HoustonsFirst.org/VBS



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NEWS + UPDATES

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.

TWEET OF THE WEEK: Amazing worship this morning @HoustonsFirst "Jerusalem/City of God" is a personal fave. Pick it every week @johnebolin!! #lovemychurch - @WCasonWhite

METROLIVE

Every Thu thru Aug 2 @ 7:30p

Worship Center (At the Loop)

Adults 20s/30s (college, single & married)

This week: Gregg Matte with Matt Boswell

MetroLIVE.org



SUMMER WEEK OF CHOIR

Jul 16-19 @ 9a-3p & Jul 20 @ 9a-Noon - At the Loop

K-5th grade

Sing, play, and learn about God - and wrap it up with a big show Friday night!

HoustonsFirst.org/SWoC



CHOIR & ORCHESTRA CD

Declare His Glory

Available in Corner Books

HoustonsFirst.org/Worship



CHURCHWIDE

SHUTTLE PARKING

On Sunday mornings, members and regular attenders of Houston's First are asked to use shuttle parking locations so first time guests and those with physical limitations can park on campus. Consider this your mission field across the street!

HoustonsFirst.org/ShuttleParking

Info@HoustonsFirst.org

HOUSTON PROJECT EVANGELISM TRAINING

Sun, Jul 1 @ 12:30-3p - Oasis Rm

This meeting will equip and mobilize you to confidently share the Gospel with both children and adults at Houston Project or other mission trips you may go on. Cost is free! Lunch included. Register online.

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HOLY LAND TOUR INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Today @ 3p - Chapel

Everyone is invited to this informational meeting about the Holy Land Tour taking place Dec 27, 2012-Jan 5, 2013. The group will be led by Wanda Jean Hickey and Peggy Bain, with an optional extension trip to Italy Jan 5-8, 2013.

HoustonsFirst.org

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CHILDREN

FAMILY MISSION TRIP

Fri, Jul 27 - Galveston, TX

On this one-day mission trip to Galveston, families of 1st-5th graders will work on improvements to the Community Center and host a block party for the neighborhood! Cost is \$30 and includes t-shirt, transportation, lunch, and supplies. Register online.

HoustonsFirst.org/FamilyMissionTrip

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STUDENTS

SUMMER RUSH - WED NIGHTS

Every Wed @ 6:30-8:30p - At the Loop

Spend your Wed nights this summer with the HUB Student Ministry laughing and playing crazy games, winning cool prizes, and hanging out with your friends!

HoustonsFirst.org/RushExperience

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SCHLITTERBAHN TRIP

Mon, Jul 9 - Galveston, TX

Students completed 6th-completed 12th grade - sign up for a day of fun in the sun at Schlitterbahn! Space is limited. Cost is \$50; \$75 at the door. Register online.

HoustonsFirst.org/Students

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MEN

MEN: PRAY

Sat, Jul 7 @ 8-10:30a - Fellowship Ctr

Men of all ages are invited to a special gathering to pray for Houston Project before the Kick-Off Rally that morning. A free continental breakfast is provided.

HoustonsFirst.org/MenPray

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UPCOMING

JUL 1

Freedom Sunday

Normal worship schedule and Life Bible Studies At the Loop and Downtown

JUL 4

4th of July Holiday

Church offices and building closed HoustonsFirst.org

JUL 15

Lord's Supper

Observed in all worship services At the Loop and Downtown

JUL 22

Missionary Prayer Time

2-4p - Reception Rm (At the Loop) HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer

JUL 27-28

First Place 4 Health Summit

At the Loop FirstPlace4Health.com

AUG 1

Summer Rush Celebration

Students completed 6th-12th grades HoustonsFirst.org/Students

AUG 19

Back to School Sunday

Pastor Gregg returns from sabbatical Children and students promoted

AUG 24

Big Night Out

For married young adults 7:45p - Fellowship Ctr



FIRST SUNDAY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS

Sun, Jul 1 Nearly 1,200 people are fed each month by the Faith Center's Food Pantry. Support the ministry by bringing non-perishable items the first Sunday of each month. Look for designated collection tables At the Loop and Downtown.

Need more info? Call 713.681.8000 to get in touch with us. Connect with us online anytime at HoustonsFirst.org or follow us on



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.