

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

### Milestones

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

### CHURCHWIDE

4:45–6:45p

MidLink Café — Fellowship Center

7–8p

The Link — Bible Study with Chad Chambers — Garden Rm

### WORSHIP / MUSIC

7–8:30p

Singers — Rm 337 (Studio)

Choir — Rehearsal Hall

Orchestra — Worship Center (by audition)

### PRESCHOOL

5:30–8:30p

Thru the Roof — Special Needs (all ages) — Rm 324 & 326

6–7p

Wee Worship (Babies–1s) — Preschool Suite

W.O.W. — Worship Our Way Choir (2s & 3s) — Preschool Suite

High 5 Kids' Choir (4s & 5s) — Clubhouse (Rm 303)

7–8p

Mission Friends (Birth–Kindergarten) — Preschool Suite

### CHILDREN

5:30–8:30p

Thru the Roof — Special Needs (all ages) — Rm 324 & 326

6–7p

High 5 Kids' Choir (1st–5th grade) — Loft (Rm 301)

7–8:30p

Breakout (1st–3rd grade) — Fitness & Rec Center (Gym)

Friction (4th–5th grade) — Rm 325

### STUDENTS

6:30–8p

Wired (Middle School) — Rm 364

7–8:30p

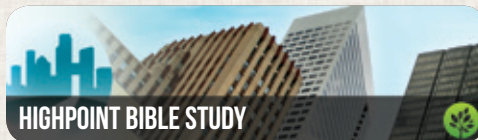
Amp (High School) — Rm 363



## LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

To find a Life Bible Study on Sundays, visit the Welcome Center or go to [HoustonsFirst.org/BibleStudies](http://HoustonsFirst.org/BibleStudies). Here are some to consider:

- **Opening the Bible** @ 8a, Rm 249, adults 60+
- **Quest** @ 9:15a, Harbor Rm, single adults 21–28
- **In the Beginning** @ 10:45a, Rm 270, adults 49–65
- **After I Do** @ 4:15p, Rm 404, couples married 1–10 years



## HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

**Wed, Oct 17 @ 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.

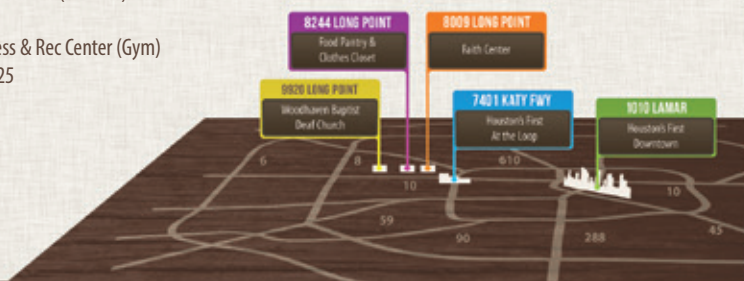


[HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint](http://HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint)



[Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org)

## TIMES, LOCATIONS & CONNECTIONS

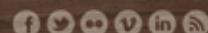


### SUNDAYS AT THE LOOP

Worship	9:15a • 11a • 5:30p
Life Bible Study	8a • 9:15a • 10:45a • 4:15p • 6:45p
Kids' Worship	9:15a • 11a • 5:30p

### SUNDAYS DOWNTOWN

Worship	11a
Life Bible Study	9:30a



## First Fest 2012 HOOTENANNY

**Wed, Oct 31 @ 5–8p — Fitness & Recreation Ctr**

Who you gonna invite to this good ol' fashioned hootenanny with fun for the whole family? Your guests and kinfolk will enjoy games, inflatables, a pettin' zoo, live music, food, and more! It's just \$5 for members of Houston's First and FREE for your guests!

There's a truckload of ways you can help at FirstFest, too! If you wanna roll up your sleeves and pitch in, give Erin Ruddle a holler and she'll getcha set up! (Overalls are not required!)

[HoustonsFirst.org/FirstFest](http://HoustonsFirst.org/FirstFest)

[Erin.Ruddle@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Erin.Ruddle@HoustonsFirst.org)

## A CALL TO PRAYER

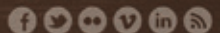
Houston's First is intentionally praying for our city, nation and world from Sep–Dec 2012. Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer) for additional resources to guide your time of prayer.

**CURRENT THEME:** Nation

**THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:** Church planting in New England  
Pray for church plants in Boston, MA, and Providence, RI.

**RELATED VERSES:** Acts 11:21

OUR CITY (Sep 9–30) | OUR NATION (Oct 7–Nov 4) | OUR WORLD (Nov 11–Dec 30)





# 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 'God Things' happened today @HoustonsFirst - no other possible explanation. Blessed and excited to be part of it. #Revival - @RAVaughan59

## RECREATE DATE NIGHT

Fri, Oct 19 @ 6-10p

Take some time to grow your marriage this Friday night! You go to dinner, and we'll provide a kit with discussion questions, games, and goodies for you to take with you. (Sorry, childcare registration is full.)

[HoustonsFirst.org/RecreateDateNight](http://HoustonsFirst.org/RecreateDateNight)

## CELEBRATION TICKET SALES LAUNCH

Sat, Oct 20 @ 8-11a — Main Foyer (The Loop)

Come be the first in town to get your tickets to *Celebration* — our spectacular Christmas musical presentation! See the show Dec 6-9 and experience the spirit, the songs, and the story of Christmas! (Tickets go on sale online at 1p that day.)

[TheFirstChristmas.org](http://TheFirstChristmas.org)

## HOUSTON'S FIRST IS COMING TO CYPRESS!

Launching Easter 2013

As announced a few weeks ago, we're launching a new campus in Cypress with our own Jason Swiggart serving as the Campus Pastor! Go online to learn more and take an interest survey.

[HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress)

## CHURCHWIDE

### 2012 FOSTER/ADOPTIVE FAMILY CAMP

Sat, Oct 20 @ 10a-4p — Houston's First (The Loop)

Foster/adoptive families with children of all ages will receive attachment education and tools to help children build healthy connections within a family. Online and in-person seminars are also included before the event on Oct 20. Learn more and register online.

[HoustonsFirst.org/CounselingRetreats](http://HoustonsFirst.org/CounselingRetreats)  
[Mary.Ring@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Mary.Ring@HoustonsFirst.org)

### MISSIONARY PRAYER TIME

Sun, Oct 21 @ 2-4p — Reception Rm

This time of prayer for missionaries, led by MaryAnn Bridgewater of Pray the Word Ministries, is open to everyone! Join in God's work through our missionaries by interceding on their behalf through prayer.

[HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer)  
[PTW@PrayTheWord.org](mailto:PTW@PrayTheWord.org)

## NEXTGEN AGES BIRTH-18

### MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

Oct 26-28 @ Lake Tomahawk Christian Retreat

Hey 6th-8th graders — come to a weekend at Lake Tomahawk to worship, study the Bible, play some awesome games, and just have fun! Cost is \$80. Register online.

[HoustonsFirst.org/Students](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Students)  
[Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org)

## COLLEGE

### PASSION CONFERENCE 2013

Dec 31, 2012 — Jan 4, 2013 — Atlanta, GA

Join over 40,000 college students to be encouraged in your faith with speakers like Louie Giglio, John Piper, Beth Moore, and music by Chris Tomlin, David Crowder and more! Contact Brad for information and to register.

[HoustonsFirst.org/College](http://HoustonsFirst.org/College)  
[Brad.Talbert@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Brad.Talbert@HoustonsFirst.org)

## YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

### SKI TRIP UNVEILING PARTY

Sun, Oct 21 @ 8p — Fellowship Ctr

Join Summit for dinner and the destination reveal of Snow Jam, the annual ski trip! Learn the location, prices, and details plus receive an "early bird" price if you sign up for the ski trip that night.

[HoustonsFirst.org/SummitNews](http://HoustonsFirst.org/SummitNews)  
[Ryan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Ryan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org)

## SENIOR ADULTS

### FALL IS ALL

Thu, Oct 18 @ 1-4p — Fellowship Ctr

Adults 60+ will gather for an afternoon of entertainment, games, and prizes! Plus, enter into a dessert contest and get in a fun fall mood with singer, Wess Adams. Cost is free!

[HoustonsFirst.org/Adults60Plus](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Adults60Plus)  
713.957.7661

## MEN

### MEN:PRAY — OUR NATION

Sat, Nov 3 @ 8-10:30a — Fellowship Ctr

Men of all ages are invited to a special gathering to pray for our nation and the upcoming elections. A light breakfast and coffee will be served.

[HoustonsFirst.org/MenPray](http://HoustonsFirst.org/MenPray)  
[Bethany.Caplet@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Bethany.Caplet@HoustonsFirst.org)

## UPCOMING

NOW-  
OCT 27

**Summit Flag Football**  
Every Sat @ 10a-5p — Warrior Field  
[HoustonsFirst.org/FlagFootball](http://HoustonsFirst.org/FlagFootball)

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**KSBJ Special Event: Tenth Avenue North**  
7p — Worship Ctr  
[HoustonsFirst.org/KSBJ](http://HoustonsFirst.org/KSBJ)

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**Make It Your Church Orientation**  
12:30p or 4p  
[HoustonsFirst.org/NewMember](http://HoustonsFirst.org/NewMember)

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**The Christmas Store — Collection Day**  
The Loop & Downtown  
[HoustonsFirst.org/TheChristmasStore](http://HoustonsFirst.org/TheChristmasStore)

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**Rite of Passage Parenting Class**  
11a-2:45p — Rm 362  
For parents of 5th-9th graders

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**Thanksgiving Weekend**  
Regular worship service schedule  
No Life Bible Studies

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**Recreate Date Night**  
For Married Young Adults  
[HoustonsFirst.org/RecreateDateNight](http://HoustonsFirst.org/RecreateDateNight)

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**The Christmas Store**  
Providing gifts for families in need  
[HoustonsFirst.org/TheChristmasStore](http://HoustonsFirst.org/TheChristmasStore)

## SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Every Sun @ 8:30-9a — Connection Ctr

Need prayer? Staff and volunteers are on hand to pray with and for you each Sunday morning — no matter what your request may be.

Need more info? Call 713.681.8000 to get in touch with us. Connect with us online anytime at [HoustonsFirst.org](http://HoustonsFirst.org) or follow us on [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Google+](#) [LinkedIn](#) [YouTube](#)

**CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT.** Worship requires our full attention. We ask that you: >> finish food and drinks before entering >> 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.