



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH

Weekly Guide
Feb 2, 2014



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY

Volunteer to befriend one of 25 international students at the University of Houston who have signed up for a non-live-in family or single adult to share cultures, experiences, and practice their English. Students are from China, India, Denmark, Iran, Nigeria, Russia, Turkey and Vietnam.

CONTACT Marie Downing, downings@flash.net

PASSION HOUSTON

Feb 14-15 — Toyota Center

This gathering of 18-25 year olds exists to see a generation stake their lives on what matters most. Passion is committed to training a new wave of Jesus followers who are trading small dreams for a place in the story God is writing around the globe. Register at 268generation.com.

COMING UP AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

The following are open to people from all campuses!
Watch for details about each at HoustonsFirst.org:

- Sun, Apr 6** Life Bible Study Leadership Luncheon — The Loop
- Apr 6-20** IMAGO Art Show — The Loop
- Sun, Apr 13** Palm Sunday — All Campuses
Dedication of Cross Tower at The Loop
- Thu, Apr 17** Broken For You — The Loop
- Fri, Apr 20** Easter Sunday — All Campuses
- May 2-4** Summit Young Single Adults Retreat — Trinity Pines



EVERY WED THRU MAY 14 — THE LOOP

There is more to Houston's First than what happens on Sundays! Join us at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink — an evening of food and activities for all ages! MidLink: connecting the body from Sunday to Sunday!

CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:45p — Fellowship Ctr
The Link (Adult Bible Study) @ 6:30-7:30p — Garden Rm
Palabras de Vida: Words of Life (Adult Spanish Bible Study) @ 7-8:30p
Rm 145
Milestones classes @ various times and locations

WORSHIP/MUSIC

Singers @ 7-8:30p — Rm 337
Worship Choir @ 7-8:30p — Rehearsal Hall
Worship Orchestra @ 7-8:30p — Worship Center

FITNESS

TRX @ 5-5:45p — Rm 274
Boot Camp @ 5:45-6:45p — Rm 270
Zumba @ 6-7p — Rm 274

PRESCHOOL

Thru the Roof - Special Needs @ 5:45-8:30p — Rm 324 & 326
Wee Worship (Babies-1s) @ 6-7p — Preschool Suite
W.O.W. (Worship Our Way) (2s & 3s) @ 6-7p — Preschool Suite
High 5 Kids' Choir (4 yrs-K) @ 6-7p — Rm 303 (Clubhouse)
Mission Friends (Birth-K) @ 7-8p — Preschool Suite

CHILDREN

Thru the Roof - Special Needs @ 5:45-8:30p — Rm 324 & 326
High 5 Kids' Choir (1st-5th Grade) @ 6-7p — Rm 301 (Loft)
Breakout (1st-3rd Grade) @ 7-8:30p — Fitness & Rec Ctr
Friction (4th-5th Grade) @ 7-8:30p — Rm 325

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Wired @ 6:30-8p — Rm 364

HIGH SCHOOL

AMP @ 7-8:30p — Rm 363



TAKING THE NEXT STEP

YOUR MISSION 1:8 GENEROSITY COMMITMENT

Last Sunday, the Houston's First family submitted their commitments to MISSION 1:8. Whether committing for the first time or confirming your existing commitment, you can submit yours using cards provided at each campus or online at HoustonsFirst.org/MISSION18. Take the next step and see what story God will tell!

SHARE YOUR MISSION 1:8 STORY

From children to retirees, young singles to empty nesters, church family members have shared their MISSION 1:8 experience — stories of God's provision, of stepping out of comfort zones, and more. What's your story? Share it at HoustonsFirst.org/MyStory.

SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

The Loop Campus

7401 Katy Fwy
Houston, TX 77024
Worship 9:15a-11a-5:30p
Life Bible Studies 8a-9:15a-10:45a-4:15p-6:45p

Cypress Campus

10300 Warner Smith Blvd
Cypress, TX 77433
Worship 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a

Downtown Campus

1010 Lamar St
Houston, TX 77002
Worship 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a

Sienna Campus

4309 Sienna Pkwy
Missouri City, TX 77459
Worship 9:30a-11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a-11a





ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study

Every Wed @ 11:30a — 1010 Lamar (tunnel level)
HighPoint meets at our Downtown Campus with lunch beginning at 11:30a for \$8, and Bible study taking place from 12:10-12:40p. On Feb 5, Pastor Gregg Matte will be our guest speaker.

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FBA Winter Preview

Mon, Feb 3 @ 6-8p — The Loop (Oasis Rm)

First Baptist Academy invites parents and children to meet teachers, administrators, coaches, and staff — as well as other parents and students. FBA provides Christian education for infants through 8th graders. Take a tour of the FBA campus and see how the school can make a difference for your family!

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THE LOOP

Voter Registration

Today — Main Foyer

This Mon, Feb 3, is the deadline to register to vote or update your registration (recent move, name change, etc.) in time for the Primary Election on Tue, Mar 4. Visit the Main Foyer for a voter registration card or assistance from an authorized volunteer registrar.

Make It Your Church Orientation

Sun, Feb 23 @ 12:30-1:45p — Fellowship Ctr

Discover what it means to be a member of Houston's First Baptist Church — and enjoy lunch, too! Pastor Gregg and other staff members will share our vision and mission, and talk about how you can make it your church. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Malcolm.Marshall@HoustonsFirst.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Daughters of the King

Sat, Feb 8 @ 9a-4p — Fellowship Ctr

Middle School girls will enjoy this one-day retreat learning, fellowshiping, worshipping and even crafting with other girls and adult leaders! Daughters of the King will be a day focused around Abba-Father and the love God has for you! Cost \$25. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Birthday Bash

Sun, Feb 16 @ 12-2p — Harbor Rm

The Single Parent Family Ministry gathers once a month to celebrate all the birthdays that month. Come wish a "happy birthday" to parents and kids with February birthdays and enjoy a free lunch, too.

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MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS

Recreate Date Night

Fri, Feb 21 @ 6-10p

Enjoy a night out with your spouse — dinner, a movie, hang out with friends, or whatever. We'll provide "date kits" for download from HoustonsFirst.org. These kits will help you be intentional about the time you spend together. Childcare is available at The Loop by registering at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. Space is limited!

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SENIOR ADULTS

Rodeo Round-Up

Sat, Feb 22 @ 3-6p — Fellowship Ctr

Head 'em up! All adults 60+ will gather to focus reaching lost senior adults at whatever stage in life, and wherever they may be. Message by Bruce Humbert, music by Wess Adams, BBQ lunch and contests for best biscuits, cornbread, and cowboy and cowgirl outfits. Cost \$10. Register at 713.957.7661 or Adult.Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Adult.Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

PLACE

Feb 7-8 — Ministry Center

PLACE is an intentional process to connect church members into purpose-driven ministry. Through PLACE, you'll discover that God has created and gifted you with a unique capacity to serve. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress for this class on Friday (7-9p) and Saturday (8:30a-Noon).

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Make It Your Church Orientation

Sun, Feb 9 @ 5-7p — Ministry Center

Enjoy dinner with Pastor Jason and the Cypress Campus staff while you learn more about what it means to be a member of Houston's First Baptist Church! Registration is required for attendance and childcare. Register at the Opportunities Table or at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress.

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DOWNTOWN

IMAGO Arts Gathering

Tue, Feb 11 @ 7-9p — Vine Street Studios

Amateur and professional artists from all media are invited to our Vine Street Studios for the next gathering of the IMAGO artist ministry. Connect with and learn from other artists about using the arts to glorify God — no matter what the media!

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SIENNA

Foundation of Prayer

Sun, Feb 9 — 4309 Sienna Pkwy

Before the final phase of construction is complete, the Sienna Campus family will gather for a time of blessing for our new Worship Center — including the writing of scriptures, prayers, and names on the foundation. The gathering will take place immediately following the 11a service, and we'll have burgers and dogs on the patio, too.

CONTACT Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org

San Francisco Mission Trip

Mar 15-22

Members at the Sienna Campus are headed to the City by the Bay in March to serve with our MISSION 1:8 partner churches. Only 10 spots are available, and the cost is \$1,200 per person (not including food).

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MAKE IT YOUR CHURCH!

Houston's First encourages believers in Jesus Christ to commit to a local body of fellow Christians. If you're interested in making us your church today, come forward at the end of a worship service, visit the Connection Center at your campus, or contact Malcolm Marshall at Malcolm.Marshall@HoustonsFirst.org or 713.335.6453 or any member of your campus team.



LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

Life Bible Studies on Sunday are the primary method for connecting with others and growing together at Houston's First. Go deeper into God's Word, relate in a way that builds community, and experience the Bible as relevant to your life. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to find one that's right for you, or ask the Welcome Team at your campus for assistance.



WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

Do you have a story about God working in your life? We want to hear it. More importantly, others need to hear it. Your story may provide the encouragement someone is seeking. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MyStory to share what God has done.

