

LEBANON MISSION TRIP INTEREST MEETING Sun, Mar 2 @ 12:30p — Rm 143

Houston's First is sending a medical mission trip team to Lebanon this Jun 11-19. Want to learn more? Stop by the Connection Center to pick up lunch and then head to Rm 143 to hear directly from the team leader. **CONTACT Bethany.Caplet@HoustonsFirst.org**

FIRST PANTRY

Sun, Mar 2 — The Loop Campus

The Food Pantry & Clothes Closet serve over 1,000 people each month. At The Loop Campus next Sunday, bring non-perishable food items, gently used clothing, and other household goods to help serve those in need in the Spring Branch community. Donation bins will be located at main entrances to the church and in the Missions Office.

PRAY FOR SPRING BREAK MISSION TRIPS

Several Houston's First family members are spending their Spring Break on the mission field! Pray for these teams as they prepare to head out this March to Madrid, Spain; Honduras; Costa Rica; Guatemala; San Francisco/Oakland; and France.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY

Volunteer to befriend one of 25 international students at the University of Houston who have signed up for a non-livein 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**

SPRING 2014

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



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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

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Sienna Campus 4309 Sienna Pkwy Missouri City, TX 77459 Worship 9:30a•11a Life Bible Studies 9:30a•11a Visit HoustonsFirst.org/iDisciple to learn more and to sign up for a free 14-day trial. 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: "I LOVE teaching my preschool Sunday school class. Every week I'm reminded of the simple yet sweet truths of Jesus. @HoustonsFirst" — @racyabacy

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 26, the speaker is Jerrell Altic, Minister of Mobilization.

CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

Three Strands Marriage Retreat Apr 25-27 — Jordan Ranch, Schulenburg, TX

Facilitated by Sienna Campus Pastor Jeff Rees and his wife Martha, the Three Strands Marriage Retreat is designed to equip you with insights and tools. You'll leave with a better understanding of yourself and your spouse, and increase the joy and intimacy of your marriage. The retreat is open to members and non-members of Houston's First. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. **CONTACT Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org**

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Camp Intersect

Jun 5-8 — Trinity Pines, Trinity, TX

Registration opens on Mar 2! Camp Intersect is two camps in one location — one for Grades 3 & 4, and one for Grades 5 & 6. This 4-day camp and missions experience includes small groups, worship, recreation, swimming, and games! Don't miss out on all God has in store for you! Details at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Derek.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org Tonv.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

Summit Intramural Softball

Saturdays thru Mar 29 @ 10a-4p — Herman Brown Park Invite a friend to join you for doubleheaders each Saturday (10a-4p) followed by the playoffs on Mar 29. Teams are forming now, so check with your Life Bible Study leaders or visit HoustonsFirst.org/Events to sign up. Cost is \$30 for the season or \$5 per game at the door. CONTACT Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

Men: Serve

Sat, Mar 8 @ 8:30a-3p

MEN

Men will gather at The Loop then go out in teams to serve the widows of our church family through vard work, home repairs, and other projects. Advance registration is required by Fri, Feb 28, so sign up to serve at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Eric.Reed@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

Make It Your Church Orientation Today, 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. Walk-ins welcome! CONTACT Malcolm.Marshall@HoustonsFirst.org

HUB STUDENT MINISTRY

Senior Celebration Sun, May 4 @ 12:15-2:30p — Fellowship Ctr

Graduating High School Seniors and their immediate families will gather for a formal banguet and a message from Pastor Gregg as we celebrate our graduates' accomplishments! To participate, complete the online registration process by March 25 at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. CONTACT Amy.Pardue@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

Shake, Rattle and Roll!

Sat, Mar 15 @ 9a-Noon — Smith Middle School Join the fun as we shake, rattle and roll towards fall! We'll roll out all our gear, rattle around cleaning up the equipment, and shake off all the dust from our first year of doing church. We'll end the morning with lunch cooked by our own Jose Rodriguez! No experience necessary. Sign up at the Opportunities Table or email Michelle. CONTACT Michelle.Roberts@HoustonsFirst.org

Covenant: God's Enduring Promises Every Tue, Mar 4-May 6 @ 9:30-11:30a — Ministry Center

Simone Fleming will facilitate this Tuesday morning Bible study. Covenant by Kay Arthur explores God's initiatives with humanity by studying His covenants throughout history. The study shows that God's enduring promise is key to understanding our relationship to Him. Sign up at the Opportunities Table.

CONTACT Michelle.Roberts@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN Baptisms

Sun, Mar 2 — Tellepsen Family YMCA

Immediately after next Sunday's 11a worship service, we'll head over to the YMCA (808 Pease) to celebrate the baptisms! If you're interested in being baptized or learning more about it, contact Peter Lee or Campus Pastor Lee Hsia. **CONTACT** Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

Crown/Heart/World

Begins Sun, Mar 9 @ 9:30a — 1010 Lamar In this collective Life Bible Study, we'll discover meaning in our personal stories as we learn the pattern of God's overall story. Visit CrownHeartWorld.com for early preparation information. CONTACT Russell.Minick@HoustonsFirst.org

New York Mission Trip Apr 16-20 — New York City

The Downtown Campus is heading up a trip to the Big Apple to help The Bridge Church in Brooklyn — a MISSION 1:8 partner — as they prepare for their upcoming launch. Want to go? Complete the Mission Trip Interest Form at HoustonsFirst.org/Missions.

CONTACT Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

Father/Daughter Sock Hop Sat, Mar 29 @ 6-8p — 4309 Sienna Pkwy

Girls, grab your poodle skirts! Dads, grab your leather jackets! We're putting on an awesome '50s-style sock-hop for dads and daughters! The cost is \$8/person (\$20 max per family) and includes dinner, too. Sign up at HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna. CONTACT Jason.Seifert@HoustonsFirst.org

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/MvStorv to share what God has done.



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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.