

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; Costa Rica; Guatemala; San Francisco/Oakland; and France.

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WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Due to Spring Break, MidLink activities on Wednesday evening will not happen this Wed, Mar 19. We'll return on Wed, Mar 26, with the full line-up of all MidLink has to offer! Get the full schedule at HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink.

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.



Observe Holy Week through the following gatherings at Houston's First. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/HolyWeek for additional information.

BLESSED: HOLY WEEK ART SHOW

Apr 6-20 — The Loop (Main Foyer) Professional and amateur artists from IMAGO present works inspired by the Beatitudes. The show is open for viewing when the church building is open. Come meet the artists at a reception on Wed, Apr 9 @ 6-9p.

BROKEN FOR YOU

Thu, Apr 17 @ 7p — The Loop The Houston's First family from all four campuses will gather to observe the Lord's Supper as we remember Christ's sacrifice on the cross. Robert J. Morgan, author of Red Sea Rules, will deliver the message.

EASTER SUNDAY

Sun, Apr 20 — All Campuses He is risen! Celebrate Christ's resurrection with Pastor Gregg and the Houston's First family and our guests at one of our four campuses:

The Loop @ 8a, 9:30a, 11a, & 5:30p Cypress @ 9:30 & 11a Downtown @ 11a Sienna @ 9:30a & 11a





HOUSTON'S FIRST

Weekly Guide Mar 16, 2014

CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AT HOUSTON'S FIRST!

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SEE THE BACK COVER AND VISIT HOUSTONSFIRST.ORG/HOLYWEEK FOR DETAILS ABOUT HOLY WEEK AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

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

IS Downtown Campus Blvd 1010 Lamar St Houston, TX 77002 Worship 11a 0a Life Bible Studies 9:30a Sienna Campus 4309 Sienna Pkwy Missouri City, TX 77459 Worship 9:30a • 11a Life Bible Studies 9:30a • 11a

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.

S TWEET OF THE WEEK: "Psalm 100:4, 5... Being around a people that love The Lord refreshes me! Ready for worship @HoustonsFirst" — James Greer, @greer_jc

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 Mar 19, Executive Pastor David Self asks, "Can You Recognize The Truth?" 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

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 and registration at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

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WOMEN

Watershed Moments

Sat, Apr 5 @ 9-11:30a — The Loop (Worship Ctr) What if one single moment changed everything about you from that second on? These watershed moments are the turning points in our lives. Author Gari Meacham will share how these moments can lead us to declare, "I can't go back. I won't go back. I am forever changed." Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Haylee.Nelson@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP **The Hiding Place**

Mar 27 & 28 @ 7p — Worship Center

The Middle School Drama Department at First Baptist Academy presents the story of Corrie ten Boom and her family's heroic actions to protect Jews during WWII. Admission at the door is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. **CONTACT Wayne.Cherry@HFBA.org**

SoFA Faculty Concert Fri, Mar 28 @ 7-8:30p — Chapel

Faculty members at our School of Fine Arts (SoFA) present this free concert featuring solos and ensembles in piano, voice, and orchestral instruments. Come and eniov an evening of exceptional music and giftedness! **CONTACT Nancy.Pollard@HoustonsFirst.org**

LBS Leadership Luncheon

Sun, Apr 6 @ 12:30-1:45p — Fitness & Rec Ctr All Life Bible Study leaders from all age group divisions will gather for lunch, inspiration and vision-casting as we celebrate all that God is doing through our LBS ministry. The luncheon is free, but please register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. CONTACT Brenda.Garza@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 banquet 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

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Cypress Campus One-Year Anniversary Sun, Mar 30

The Cypress Campus family is getting ready to celebrate our 1st anniversary! On Mar 30, we'll have an Anniversary Breakfast and Celebration at 9a. Then, we'll have our worship service and observe baptisms at 11a. Life Bible Studies will not meet this day.

CONTACT Michelle.Roberts@HoustonsFirst.org

Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts Through PLACE Today-Apr 13 @ 1-2:30p — 1010 Lamar Ever asked, "Where do I fit in?," "What do I really enjoy

doing?,""When do I feel most fully alive?," or "What can I do to make a lasting difference in my life and the lives of others?" This course will challenge you to answer those questions. Registration and PLACE assessment required. **CONTACT** Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

World Religions Workshop

Tue, Mar 18 @ 6:30-8p — Vine Street Studios In this comparative survey, learn essential teachings, modern practices and "plans of salvation" of each of the major world religions: Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Confucianism, and Jainism. Also, get practical tips on distinguishing Christianity and sharing the Gospel with adherents of these religious traditions. CONTACT Lee.Hsia@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

Daddy/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

Sienna Campus One-Year Anniversary Sun, Mar 30

To celebrate our one-year anniversary, the Sienna Campus family is coming together for a combined Life Bible Study at 9:30a with breakfast and fellowship. We'll worship together at 11a in our new worship center! Then. immediately following the service, we will have our first on-site baptism!

CONTACT Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org

HUB STUDENT MINISTRY

Couch-O-Rama Sun, Mar 30 @ 4-7p — 4309 Sienna Pkwy

Hey Middle School and High School Students — all you need for Couch-O-Rama is a team, a couch, a truck, a camera — and a little insanity! It's like a scavenger hunt, only you're looking for photo ops of your team (and a couch) at locations around the area. Bring your friends! CONTACT Jason.Seifert@HoustonsFirst.org

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/MvStory to share what God has done.



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.



Need more information? Call 713.681.8000, visit HoustonsFirst.org, and 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.