



FIRST PANTRY

Sun, Aug 3 — 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 these mission teams as they share the Good News this month:

- Ireland (Jul 19-30)
- Africa - Choir & Orchestra (Jul 22-Aug 2)
- Brazil (Jul 29-Aug 5)

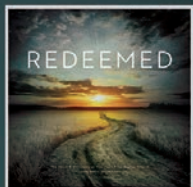
PERSPECTIVES ON THE WORLD CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

Every Wed, Aug 20-Dec 10 @ 6:30-9:30p

The Loop (Reception Rm)

Perspectives helps believers from all walks of life see how they can get threaded into God's story of redeeming people from every tribe, tongue, and nation to Himself. Cost is \$250. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Bethany.Caplet@HoustonsFirst.org



NEW CD FROM THE CHOIR & ORCHESTRA

The latest album from The Choir & Orchestra reminds us that those who have been redeemed should tell their story to those still held down by the bondage of sin (Psalm 107:2). Among the 11 songs are I AM, Redeemed, This Blood, and a version of How Great Is Our God performed live as part of our church's MISSION 1:8 initiative. CDs are available today at each campus for \$12.

EVANGELISM TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The following classes are free to attend and open to members and guests from any campus of Houston's First Baptist Church. Registration is not required unless noted otherwise. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Events for additional details.

Share Your Faith Workshop

Learn how your hand can be a memory tool to share a Gospel presentation. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

- Sat, Aug 16 @ 9:30a-2p — The Loop (Fellowship Center)
- Facilitator: Jonathan Huegel, Evangelism Associate

Everyday Evangelism

Interactive training that builds on what you learn in the Share Your Faith Workshop (a prerequisite to attend).

- Sun, Aug 24-Oct 5 @ 4-5p — The Loop (Garden Rm)
- Facilitator: Lee Hsia, Downtown Campus Pastor

XEE

Learn and practice relevant, biblical, and relational evangelism skills for our postmodern times. Two options:

- Wed, Sep 10-Oct 22 @ 6-8:30p
Downtown Campus Ministry Center
(Vine Street Studios, 1113 Vine St., Houston, TX 77002)
Facilitator: Lee Hsia, Downtown Campus Pastor
- Wed, Oct 15-Nov 19 @ 6:30-8p — The Loop (Connection Center)
Facilitator: Jonathan Huegel, Evangelism Associate

Crown Heart World

This one-page tool based on the pattern of God's overall story is great for learning how to naturally share your faith.

- Wed, Oct 15-Nov 19 @ 6:30-8p — The Loop (Rm 257)
- Facilitator: Russell Minick, Missions Consultant

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.

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.



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH

Weekly Guide
Jul 27, 2014

ARE YOU READY?

GET EQUIPPED TO SHARE YOUR FAITH AT SEVERAL UPCOMING CLASSES AT HOUSTON'S FIRST. FIND THE LISTING ON THE BACK COVER OF THIS WEEKLY GUIDE.

"ALWAYS BE READY TO GIVE A DEFENSE TO ANYONE WHO ASKS YOU FOR A REASON FOR THE HOPE THAT IS IN YOU."
1 PETER 3:15



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 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a

ALL CAMPUSES

CELEBRATING PASTOR GREGG & KELLY MATTE'S 10 YEARS OF MINISTRY

AT HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

FRI, SEP 12 @ 7P
THE LOOP

\$10 TICKETS
ON SALE NOW

100% OF PROCEEDS
BENEFIT STAR OF HOPE

SPECIAL MUSICAL GUEST
SARA GROVES



FOR TICKETS OR MORE INFORMATION
HOUSTONSFIRST.ORG/GM10

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 Jul 30, Executive Pastor David Self will speak on the topic "Covenant Relationship."
CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

Become A Stephen Minister Applications due Sun, Aug 24

Stephen Ministers are Houston's First members equipped after 50 hours of training to minister to people experiencing a crisis, facing a challenge, or experiencing difficulty in their lives. If you're interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, apply by Sun, Aug 24, to attend the fall training Wed, Sep 3-Nov 19, at The Loop @ 6:30-9p.
CONTACT Denise.Munton@HoustonsFirst.org

COLLEGE / SINGLES / MARRIED

MetroLIVE

Every Thu thru Aug 7 @ 7p — The Loop (Worship Center)
People in their 20s/30s from across Houston will gather on Thursday nights at The Loop this summer for Bible teaching by Jonathan "JP" Pokluda. This week's musical guest is Sixteen Cities. Visit MetroLIVE.org for additional info!
CONTACT Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

WOMEN

Women's Retreat

Oct 3-4 — Omni Westside Hotel
Women from each campus will gather for this in-town weekend getaway to discover that There's More To The Story! Retreat personalities include Debbie Stuart, Kelly Matte, Dora Pop, Courtney Gilmore, Rebekah DiMartino, Courtney Strong, and others. Register by Sep 14 at HoustonsFirst.org/Events!
CONTACT Haylee.Nelson@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Generation-to-Generation Training

Wed, Aug 6 @ 6-9p — The Loop (Oasis Rm)
Generation-to-Generation (G2G) is a mentoring ministry that provides the training, tools, and network for men to develop into the spiritual leaders God has created and called them to be. Training is required for all participants. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Men.
CONTACT Elise.Price@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

Biblical Principles of Estate Planning

Sun, Aug 10 @ 12:15-2:30p — The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)
Why do I need a Will? What are Incapacity Documents? Do the Scriptures teach about these? This free seminar will answer these questions and more as you learn about estate planning, life insurance, and designating someone to act on your behalf. Childcare available. Register for seminar and childcare at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.
CONTACT Sara.Johnson@HoustonsFirst.org

MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS

Re|Create Date Night

Fri, Aug 22 @ 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!
CONTACT Melanie.Russell@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

Marriage Ministry Dinner Series - Help Wanted: Fun

Fri, Aug 15 @ 6:30-9:30p
Northwest Forest Conference Center
Help Wanted: Seeking couples who want the marriage that God intended for them! All experience levels welcome! Through our marriage dinner series, we will identify tools and explore keys to a godly, fulfilling marriage. Cost: \$50 per couple. Complimentary childcare available at the Ministry Center. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress.
CONTACT Rebecca.Dinkins@HoustonsFirst.org

WOMEN

Summer Lovin' Take 3

Aug 4 @ 9:30-11:30a — Cypress Ministry Center
Come enjoy the last session of the Summer Lovin' Women's Bible Study Series! On Aug 4, Candace Ganjavi will speak on the topic Lovin' Your Church. Childcare will be provided. Registration required at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress.
CONTACT Andi.Farrell@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN

Volunteer Fair

Sun, Aug 3 & 10 @ Before/After Service — 1010 Lamar
Interested in serving at the Downtown Campus? Stop by tables in the lobby to learn about our volunteer team opportunities. Team leaders will answer questions and help you find the best fit of where to serve our church!
CONTACT Tiffany.Butterfras@HoustonsFirst.org

IMAGO Arts Gathering

Mon, Aug 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!
CONTACT Lee.Hsia@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

The Main Event - Downtown Men's Conference

Aug 1-2 — Vine Street Studios
Calling all men! Streamed live from Nashville, TN, hear from an amazing lineup of leaders, soldiers, coaches, athletes, and performers who will inspire and challenge us to be servant leaders — as Jesus served us. Event is Fri @ 5:30-10p and Sat @ 7:30a-2:30p. Cost is \$15 and includes dinner on Friday, and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Limited to the first 30 men who register online at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.
CONTACT Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

Family Pool Party

Sun, Aug 17 @ 6:30-8:30p
Club Sienna Waterpark (9600 Scanlan Trace, 77459)
Join us for a fun-filled night at the Sienna Bucket Pool! Please invite your friends and family to attend. Food and drinks will be provided.
CONTACT Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org

Sienna Astros Tickets

Join others from the Sienna Campus at Houston's First Baptist Church Night at Minute Maid Park on Fri, Aug 29! Tickets are on sale now at HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna and will be available for pick up closer to the event.
CONTACT Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org

WOMEN

Women's Summer Nights

Tue, Aug 12 @ 7-8:30p — Sienna Worship Center
All women are invited to the Sienna Campus for a night of fellowship, worship, and teaching with Laura Seifert!
CONTACT Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org

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.