



DOWNTOWN IS ON THE MOVE!

The Downtown Campus is in a season of great flexibility while their regular Sunday home at 1010 Lamar is undergoing repairs. The campus is currently gathering each Sunday morning at the Four Seasons Hotel (1300 Lamar) until further notice. Pray that God will use this time to reach new people along the way! Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown for details and updates.

ONE SACRED EFFORT

WORLD MISSION OFFERING

The World Mission Offering is an opportunity to further support the advancement of the Gospel. Collected Nov-Jan, the offering goes to mission work in Texas, North America, and around the world. Give using designated envelopes or online at HoustonsFirst.org/WorldMissionOffering.

THERE'S MORE TO CHURCH THAN SUNDAY MORNINGS

The Loop has a worship service at 5p and Life Bible Studies at 6:30p. Same message as the morning — with room to park on campus, too! So, go on a weekend getaway, get your grocery shopping done, or just sleep in — then go to church on Sunday night!

SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

The Loop Campus

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

Cypress Campus

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

Downtown Campus

1300 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

LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

Life Bible Studies are the primary method for connecting with others and growing together at Houston's First. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to find one that's right for you, or ask the Welcome Team at your campus for assistance.



giving LIFE away

SPRING MISSION TRIPS

Ready to go on the mission field? Complete the interest form at HoustonsFirst.org/Missions to learn more about these and other 2015 opportunities:

- Mar 7-17 — Costa Rica - Cypress Campus
- Mar 14-21 — Costa Rica
- Mar 14-21 — Guatemala (orphan care)
- Mar 14-21 — Canada
- April 1-5 — New York City
- April (TBD) — Canada
- Apr 23-May 3 — East Asia (unreached people group)
- Apr 23-May 3 — East Asia (major city)



SHUTTLE PARKING

ATTEND THE LOOP ON SUNDAY MORNINGS? USE SHUTTLE PARKING TO MAKE ROOM FOR OTHERS! IT'S A SIMPLE WAY TO EXPAND THE MINISTRY OF OUR CHURCH. GET DETAILS ON THE 5 GARAGES AT HOUSTONSFIRST.ORG/SHUTTLEPARKING.



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
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Weekly Guide
Jan 11, 2015

giving LIFE away

Discover Where Houston's First
Is Sharing The Gospel . . .
And How You Can Give Your Life Away

Explore the Giving Life Away Expo
at your campus!

Night of Prayer

Tue, Jan 13 @ 7-9p — The Loop (Chapel)

Gather with the Houston's First family to pray for our missionaries, mission partners, upcoming mission trips — and for God to raise up people to share the Gospel here at home and on the mission field.

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 can't even explain to you, how amazing church was today. @HoustonsFirst" — Skyler Womack, @thatskylife

ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study

Every Wed @ 11:30a — 1010 Lamar (tunnel level)

HighPoint is temporarily suspended while our Downtown Campus at 1010 Lamar undergoes some repairs. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint for updates on the progress and to find previous messages!

CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

Midnight Madness

Fri, Jan 23 @ 5:30p-12a - The Loop (Fitness & Recreation Center)

Life Bible Study leaders from all campuses will gather to learn how we can be more effective as missionaries right here in the greater Houston area. Midnight Madness features a keynote speaker and breakout sessions designed to sharpen our focus on the purpose of Life Bible Studies. Leaders from all age divisions and campuses can register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Mandy.ODonnell@HoustonsFirst.org

The Mingling of Souls

Fri, Apr 17 @ 7p — The Loop (Worship Center)

At this live event, author and pastor Matt Chandler will explore God's design for love, marriage, sex, and redemption. Chandler offers an eternal, counter-intuitive perspective from the biblical book Song of Solomon. The event is for single and married adults, regardless of age or stage of life. \$20 per person thru Mar 26. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Kristin.Hawkinson@HoustonsFirst.org

YOUNG SINGLES

Summit Snow Jam

Apr 9-13, 2015 — Winter Park, CO

Hit the slopes with Pastor Gregg and friends from Summit! Cost of \$779 (thru Feb 15) includes airfare, lodging at Zephyr Lodge (ski-in, ski-out), lift tickets, and more. Details and registration at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Jody.Rogers@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Warrior's Heart

Every Thu @ 6:30-7:30a — The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)

This weekly Bible study and breakfast focuses on unleashing men for kingdom impact. Dr. Bruce Fong brings a wealth of wisdom, humor, and application from the Bible. While men are encouraged to come weekly, you can come whenever you can. Details at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

Choir & Singers Kick-Off

Wed, Jan 14 @ 7p

The Choir and the Singers kick-off the semester this Wednesday evening! The Choir leads worship on Sundays at 9:15a, and the Singers lead worship at 11a. No auditions are required! To join the Choir, simply show up in the Rehearsal Hall on Level 2, and go to the Studio (Rm 337) on Level 3 to join the Singers.

CONTACT Dora.Pop@HoustonsFirst.org

Milestones & MidLink Preview Night

Wed, Jan 21 @ 6:30-8p

Come for soup and chili at MidLink Cafe (4:45-6:30p) followed by worship led by Elevate Student Worship and a presentation by Andrew Lazo, an expert on the life and writings of C.S. Lewis. After that, discover opportunities for growth and discipleship through Milestones during an Open House. Preschool, Children, and Student programming starts that night, too!

CONTACT Courtney.Schisler@HoustonsFirst.org

Fitness Expo

Sun, Jan 25 @ 12:30-2p — Fitness & Rec Center

Come discover all the Fitness & Recreation Center has to offer! This FREE event features fitness class demonstrations, health screenings, fitness assessments, chair massages, kids' programs, health vendors and free food. Optional: Bring workout clothes and join in on the demos!

CONTACT Debbie.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org

YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

Summit Dodgeball Tourney

Sun, Jan 18 @ 1-4:30p — Fitness & Rec Center

Ready to dodge, dip, duck, and dive? Teams of eight will be throwing dodgeballs at each other in the Summit Dodgeball Tourney! Warm up your throwing arm and practice dodging to prepare for this in-your-face elimination tournament! \$10 per person, including lunch. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events or at the door.

CONTACT George.Watson@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

MidLink

Resumes Wed, Jan 14 — Ministry Center

Classes available for all ages and stages of life including Blast, Mission Friends, Financial Peace University, P.L.A.C.E. and Parenting for True Greatness.

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress for details.

CONTACT Dana.Haddad@HoustonsFirst.org

WOMEN

Soup and the Spirit

Mon, Jan 12-Feb 16 @ 6:30-8:30p — Ministry Center

Life is hectic with limitless "to do" lists. At this weekly study facilitated by Yvonne Cummins, women will learn to breathe and build margin into our lives for God as we study Breathe by Priscilla Shirer. Childcare not provided. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress.

CONTACT Andi.Farrell@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN

Welcome Team & Service Logistics Team

Give your life away as a volunteer while the Downtown Campus gathers at the Four Seasons! To serve on the Welcome Team, contact Joanna Poor (jpoor2@comcast.net). To serve on the Service Logistics Team, contact Bobbie Chun (bas_chun@hotmail.com).

Marathon Sunday!

Sun, Jan 18

At 8a at 1010 Lamar, come cheer on the marathon runners and show hospitality to fellow spectators through conversation and hot cocoa and coffee! Then, gather at 5p for a worship service at the Four Seasons Hotel! Want to help with this special day? Contact Carly!

CONTACT Carly.O'Connor@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Dad's Day at the Rockets Game

Mon, Jan 19 @ 4:30p — Toyota Center

Dads — bring your kids to cheer on the Houston Rockets as they take on the Pacers! The game starts at 4:30p. Tickets are available in the Worship Center foyer at the Sienna Campus for \$15 each. Dads and kids from other campuses are welcome, too! Contact Jordan for tickets.

CONTACT Jordan.Floro@HoustonsFirst.org

MAKE IT YOUR CHURCH!

Houston's First encourages believers in Jesus Christ to commit to a local body of fellow Christians. If interested in making us your church, 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.



FBA
First Baptist
Academy

FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY PREVIEW NIGHT

On Mon, Jan 26, prospective families can get an inside look at FBA at The Loop Campus, including the curriculum, athletics, gifted and talented program, fine arts, and more. Visit individually with faculty and administrators, and go on guided group tours of the school, too. Infants-PreK5 @ 5:30-7p and Kinder-8th Grade @ 6:30-8p. RSVP by Thu, Jan 22 by calling 713.290.2524 or emailing Admissions@HFBA.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.