



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink — an evening of food and activities for all ages! In addition to the following churchwide options, you can go to music rehearsals and fitness classes, and Preschoolers, Children, and Students can go to programs just for them. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink for the full Wednesday schedule.

CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p — Fellowship Ctr
The Link (Adult Bible Study) @ 6:30-8p — Fellowship Ctr
Palabras de Vida: Words of Life (Adult Spanish Bible Study) @ 7-8:15p — Rm 145
Milestones classes @ various times and locations

THE MINGLING OF SOULS

GOD'S DESIGN FOR LOVE,
MARRIAGE, SEX & REDEMPTION

Fri, Apr 17 @ 7p — The Loop Campus

Live event with Matt Chandler

Tickets available at HoustonsFirst.org/Events



Pray for our mission teams as they share the Gospel in Russia (Apr 10-18) and East Asia (Apr 23-May 3).

MILESTONES CLASSES

Milestones classes equip people in a particular stage of life, crisis, or in general spiritual growth. These upcoming free classes are offered at The Loop Campus on Wednesdays from 6:30-8p. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Events to learn more.

- Dealing with Entitlement and a Lack of Respect (Apr 29)
- Student Perspectives: Setting Boundaries (Apr 29)
- Questioning Evangelism (May 6 & 13)
- Matthew Bible Study: The Great Commission (May 6 & 13)
- Understanding Gender Confusion In Males (May 6)
- Understanding Gender Confusion In Females (May 13)



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide
Apr 12, 2015



¡SALUDOS!

¡ACOMPÁÑENOS EN ORACIÓN POR EL CAMPUS EN ESPAÑOL
QUE PRINCIPIA HOY A LAS 5PM EN LA IGLESIA DEL LOOP!

HELLO!

PRAY FOR OUR SPANISH CAMPUS AS THEY LAUNCH
TONIGHT AT 5P AT THE LOOP CAMPUS!

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

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

Downtown Campus

Hyatt Regency Houston
1200 Louisiana Street
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

Spanish Campus

7401 Katy Freeway
Houston, TX 77024
Worship 5p
Life Bible Studies 6:30p

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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: "Watching @HoustonsFirst Easter live webcast service from hospital room. We are blessed." — Michael Taylor, @mhtcougar

ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study Wednesdays @ 11:30a

This weekly downtown Bible study meets in the Wells Fargo Plaza auditorium (1000 Louisiana) with Dr. David Self speaking. Bring your lunch and be ready for the lesson at 12:10p. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/HighPoint to learn more.

CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

Three Strands Marriage Retreat

May 29-31 — Jordan Ranch, Schulenburg, TX

Facilitated by Sienna Campus Pastor Jeff Rees and his wife Martha, this weekend will equip you with insights and tools and you'll leave with a better understanding of yourself and your spouse. It's open to members and non-members of Houston's First, so get details and register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Jeff.Rees@HoustonsFirst.org

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Spring Weekend of Choir (SWOC)

Apr 23-25 — The Loop

At this power-packed weekend, 1st-5th graders will prepare and present an entire musical! Along the way, they'll learn about the Bible, play crazy games, and more. SWOC happens Thu & Fri @ 6-8:30p and Sat @ 9a-2p, and the musical is presented Sat @ 6p. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Joy.Harris@HoustonsFirst.org

Camp Intersect

Jun 15-19 — Trinity Pines Conf Center

Two camps, one location! This amazing camp full of worship and teaching, outdoor activities, and crazy fun is for kids and their friends entering 4th-7th grades this fall. Sign up at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. (Early Bird rate ends Apr 30!)

CONTACT Derek.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org

Rush Week

Jul 19-25 — Panama City Beach, FL

This unique missions experience has elements of a mission trip but with a "camp" feel. Students currently in 6th-12th grades can choose different types of service to help a local church/community. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Events for details and to register.

CONTACT Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org

YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

Summit Spring Retreat: Simplify

May 1-3 — Trinity Pines Conference Center

Young single adults will see that addition can occur through subtraction as they learn how to simplify their lives and get back to the basics of faith, friendship, and fun! Details and registration at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Birthday Bash

Today @ 12:15-2p — Oasis Room

Single parent families are celebrating parents and children with April birthdays! A complimentary lunch is provided and gift cards are given to everyone with a birthday this month. The party is free and no RSVP is required!

CONTACT Amber.Willet@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLES 40+

Comedy Show & Dinner

Sat, Apr 18 @ 6-8p — Fellowship Center

Singles ages 40+ are invited to a free BBQ dinner followed by the antics of ComedySportz — a local improv comedy team. Invite your friends and RSVP by Wed, Apr 15, at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Blenda.Cox@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Men: Serve

Sat, Apr 25 @ 8a-1p — The Loop

Men will gather at The Loop then head out in teams to serve the widows of our church around the city. Through yard work, home repairs, car maintenance, and other tasks, there is a place for you to serve! Register by Fri, Apr 17 at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org

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.

CYPRESS

Baptism Sunday

Sun, Apr 26

Baptism is an outward expression of an inward change—a symbol to others of your new life in Christ. If you are interested in being baptized and sharing your story with the Cypress Campus family, contact Ian Brou about taking the next step.

CONTACT Ian.Brou@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN

Night at Minuti

Fri, Apr 24 @ 7-9p — Minuti Coffee (909 Texas Ave.)

Gather with the Downtown Campus for a special night of coffee and conversation at Minuti! Get to know downtown residents as we offer free coffee during this two-hour window. Contact Tiffany if you're interested in attending or have questions.

CONTACT Tiffany.Butterfras@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

It Starts at Home

Wednesdays @ 6:30-8p — 4309 Sienna Parkway

In this six-session Bible study on Wednesday evenings, parents will learn how to build a legacy of faith for their children. Register for childcare at HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna.

CONTACT Jordan.Floro@HoustonsFirst.org

WOMEN

Women's Ministry Teacher Development

Tuesdays @ 6:30-8p — Cherry Sears' Home

All ladies who have a desire to develop your teaching giftedness are invited to attend this free five-week course. Taught by our very own award-winning author, Toni Teepell. RSVP to Toni if you plan to come!

CONTACT tonitepell@yahoo.com

SPANISH

Launch Sunday

Today @ 5p — The Loop (Oasis Rm)

Our Spanish Campus officially launches tonight with a worship service at 5p followed by dinner. Life Bible Studies begin at 6:30p on Apr 19. Learn more and complete an interest survey at HoustonsFirst.org/Espanol.

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MAKE IT YOUR CHURCH ORIENTATION

Discover what it means to be a member of Houston's First! You'll meet staff members and hear about our mission, vision, and ministries — and how you can make Houston's First your church. RSVP at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

The Loop Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:30p — Fellowship Center **Downtown** Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:45p — Hyatt Regency

Cypress Sun, Apr 26 @ 5p
Bridgeland's Lakeland Activity Center

Sienna Sun, Apr 26 @ 12:30p — The Loft

Spanish Sun, May 3 @ 6:30p — Oasis Room



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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.