

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

This Wednesday is the last night for MidLink this semester — an evening of food and activities for all ages! Watch for details soon about Wednesday evening opportunities offered this summer at The Loop.

CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p — Fellowship Ctr
Palabras de Vida: Words of Life (Adult Spanish Bible Study)
@ 7-8:15p — Rm 145

MILESTONES BONUS SEMESTER

These classes take place from 6:30-8p on Wed, May 13:
Questioning Evangelism — Connection Ctr
Matthew Bible Study: The Great Commission — Chapel
Understanding Gender Confusion in Females — Reception Rm

WORSHIP/MUSIC

Singers @ 7-8:30p — Rm 337
Worship Choir @ 7-8:30p — Rehearsal Hall
Worship Orchestra @ 7-8:30p — Worship Center

FITNESS

Boot Camp @ 5:45-6:45p — Rm 270
Barre Basics @ 6-6:45p — Rm 274

PRESCHOOL

Thru the Roof - Special Needs @ 5:45-8:30p — Rm 329
Wee Worship (Babies-1s) @ 6-7p — Preschool Suite
W.O.W. (Worship Our Way) (2s & 3s) @ 6-7p — Rm 201 (Heartland)
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 329
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 332

STUDENTS

Wired (Middle School) @ 6:30-8p — Rm 364
AMP (High School) @ 6:30-8p — Rm 363



NIGHT OF PRAYER

Tue, May 12 @ 7-9p — The Loop (Worship Ctr)

Come and see how the Lord moves in powerful ways when the Houston's First family gathers for these evenings dedicated to prayer and worship.

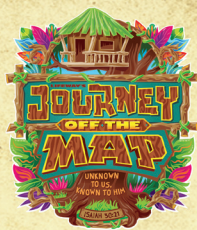
MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

Learn more about these upcoming trips by completing the interest form at HoustonFirst.org/Missions.

- New York City (Jun 3-7) — 3 spots open
- Ukraine (Jun 16-24) — 4 spots open
- Madrid, Spain (Jun 26-Jul 4) — 4 spots open
- Boston (Jul 22-26) — 8 spots open
- Germany (Jul 25-Aug 1) — 2 spots open
- Brazil (Aug 5-10) — 2 spots open

LIFE BIBLE STUDIES

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



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Jun 29-Jul 2 @ 9a-12:30p — The Loop

For kids entering K-6th grade (plus kids born Sep-Dec 2010)
New in 2015:

- Bible Study for moms each day
- Family Night on Wed, Jul 1

Details, volunteer, and registration at HoustonFirst.org/Events



Houston's First cherishes all forms of "motherhood" - expectant and first-time mommies, foster moms, adoptive moms, single moms, empty-nester moms, grandmothers, and every stage in between. We also have a tender heart for women who desire to have children and those who have lost a child.

If that's your story, we have ministries to walk with you - including women with similar experiences. Our Women's Ministry, Counseling Center, and Legacy685 Adoption, Foster & Orphan Care Ministry would love to hear your story and provide support as a relevant biblical community.

SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

The Loop Campus

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

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

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: "Thank you to @HoustonsFirst for donating 4,000 homemade cookies to nurses on the units in honor of #NursesWeek!" — Texas Children's Hospital, @TexasChildrens

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

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.

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 Softball

Sat, May 16 @ 10a-4p

Herman Brown Park (400 Mercury Dr, Houston)

When is the last time you joined an intramural sports league? Come get moving, meet new friends and find a place to plug in with Summit Softball. Teams are formed by Life Bible Studies. Cost is \$30 per person. Register online by May 15 at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT George.Watson@HoustonsFirst.org

MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS

Re|Create Date Night

Fri, May 29 @ 6-10p — The Loop

Enjoy a night out with your spouse! We'll provide "date kits" for download from HoustonsFirst.org designed to help you be intentional about the time you spend together. Registration for childcare at The Loop (birth through Kindergarten) is now open at HoustonsFirst.org/Events. Space is limited! (Your 1st-5th graders will enjoy the summer kick-off event that night.)

CONTACT Melanie.Russell@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

Songs of the South: Louisiana Sunday Night

Sun, May 17 @ 7:30-8:15p — Main Foyer

Come meet other "night church" attendees at The Loop! Immediately after Life Bible Studies next Sunday evening, gather in the Main Foyer to enjoy live jazz music, dessert and coffee — for free!

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Summer Kick-Off Parties

Fri, May 29 @ 6-10p

Come kick-off the summer with the NextGen Ministries!

• **1st-5th grades** — FirstKids Children's Ministry is headed to Warrior Field (6711 Long Point Rd) for food, water games, inflatables, and more — for free! Drop off and pick up your child at the field. Students staying for 5th Grade Launch don't need picked up.
CONTACT Kelly.Leffingwell@HoustonsFirst.org

• **6th-12th grades** — The HUB Students are kicking off summer with a giant game of Kiddie Pool Kickball! Meet in The HUB area and we'll transport you to The Faith Center Field. Cost is \$10 for food and fun.
CONTACT Susan.Newman@HoustonsFirst.org

5th Grade Launch

Fri, May 29 @10p - Sat, May 30 @ 4:30p

Level 3 (Children's and Student Areas)

Following their Summer Kick-Off Party, students entering 6th grade will stay overnight for some fun and devotional time with Derek Nease and Tony Bianco. This event is for current 5th graders as they prepare to leave the Children's Ministry and launch into the big wide world of The HUB Student Ministry!

CONTACT Derek.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org or Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Mother's Day Luncheon

Today @ 12:15p — Fellowship Center

We're celebrating all single moms today on Mother's Day! All moms will receive a Mother's Day gift and free lunch is provided for them and their children, as well. Walk-ins are welcome — and so are single dads!

CONTACT Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org

ADULTS 60+

Bus Trip to New Hermann Park Gardens

Fri, May 22 @ 9a-4p — The Loop (South Parking)

Years in the making! That's the beautiful new Hermann Park Gardens. After lunch we'll visit the Old Log Cabin, tucked in beside Hermann Hospital adjacent to the park. Cost of your lunch only, plus optional train ride for \$3.25. RSVP to Tracie Bowman at Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Enrichment@HoustonFirst.org

MEN

Generation to Generation Training

Sat, May 16 @ 8a-12p — Rm 143

Generation-to-generation mentoring encourages men to walk alongside other men and assist in their spiritual growth. Learn the fundamentals of mentoring, including listening skills, scriptural guidance and biblical friendship. This training time is required for all men seeking to be a mentor at Houston's First. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

CONTACT Jim.Jones@HoustonsFirst.org

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NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Children's Ministry Launch Lunch

Sun, May 17 @ 12:30-1:30p — Smith Middle School

Some exciting changes are in store for the Children's Ministry at the Cypress Campus! Families are invited to stay after the worship service for lunch and to hear what God is doing as staff members share the latest updates.

CONTACT Erin.Ruddle@HoustonsFirst.org

NextGen Teacher and Volunteer Equipping

Sun, May 17 @ 4-6p — Cypress Ministry Center

This highly suggested training is for veteran teachers and volunteers along with those who have recently joined the Preschool, Children's, and Student Ministries. Come expand your resources to teach the next generation! Childcare will not be available.

CONTACT Erin.Ruddle@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN

YOUNG SINGLE ADULTS

Summit Life Bible Study

Sundays @ 9:30-10:30a

Downtown Ministry Center (1113 Vine St. Ste 117)

Downtown's Summit Life Bible Study, Watermark, has recently expanded! We now offer a place for any single male or female from ages 18 through 30s. Check out HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown for our other Life Bible Study offerings.

CONTACT Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA WOMEN

Women's Summer Nights

Tuesdays, May 26, Jun 16, Jul 21, Aug 18 @ 6:30-8:30p
Worship Center

Ladies are invited to four summer evenings of Bible study at the Sienna Campus. We'll gather together to worship God and create community through authentic relationships. Childcare is not available. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Sienna.

CONTACT amy.rowzee@me.com





SPANISH

Life Bible Studies

Sundays @ 6:30p

Happy Mother's Day! Our Life Bible Studies will not gather today, but will resume next Sun, May 17. Choose from three options: Seguridad En Cristo (Rm 258), Creciendo En La Vida Cristiana (Rm 262), or Las Verdades De La Salvación (Rm 261).

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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.