



HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide
Sep 13, 2015



PEOPLE GROUP DISCOVERY & ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Fri, Sep 25 @ 5:30-8:30p - Sat, Sep 26 @ 9a-7p
The Loop (Garden Room)

Learn about the diverse people groups in Houston and how to engage them, then go on a people group excursion around the city. Space is limited. \$20 registration is required at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

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XEE

Every Sun, Oct 11-Nov 22 @ 3:30-5p — The Loop (Rm 249)

XEE equips Jesus-followers to share the Gospel effectively in everyday encounters. You will learn and put into practice relevant, biblical, and relational evangelism skills for our postmodern times.

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For more information on Giving Life Away, contact Charlotte.Nease@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.



SHUTTLE PARKING

Do you 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 five garages at HoustonsFirst.org/ShuttleParking.



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT THE LOOP

Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink — an evening of food and activities for all ages! Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink for more, and to learn about Wednesday night options at our other campuses, too.

CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p — Fellowship Ctr
The Link (Adult Bible Study) @ 6:30-8p — Fellowship Ctr
Profundizando el Discipulado - Deepening Discipleship (Adult Spanish Bible Study) @ 7-8:15p — Rm 145
Milestones classes @ various times and locations

WORSHIP/MUSIC

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

FITNESS

Boot Camp @ 6-6:45p — Rm 270
Barre Basics @ 6-6:45p — Rm 274
Core & Stretch @ 6:45-7p — Rm 270

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

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REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE AT
HOUSTONSFIRST.ORG/UNSTOPPABLE

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 9:30a & 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a

Downtown Campus

Hyatt Regency
1200 Louisiana 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

Spanish Campus

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



ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study Wednesdays @ 11:30a

This weekly downtown Bible study will take place Wed, Sep 16, 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.
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Night of Prayer

Tue, Sep 22 @ 7-9p — The Loop (Worship Ctr)

Gather with the Houston's First family for a night of prayer as we call upon the Lord on behalf of our church, our city, our nation, and our world. Ryan Langford will lead us in times of worship. Childcare is not available, but all ages are welcome to attend.

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MEN

Warrior's Heart

Every Thu thru Dec 10 @ 6:30-7:30a

The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)

In a series about Great Men of Faith, we're looking at men who show themselves to have faith in all types of situations. Different men teach each week, with Dr. Willie Bolden of Dallas Theological Seminary—Houston teaching this Thursday. Breakfast is available for \$5. Registration at HoustonsFirst.org/Men is encouraged, but not required.

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Man Up! Men's Retreat

Oct 23-24 — Trinity Pines Conf Center

Wherever you are in your journey, the God of the universe is excited to help you take the next step. Gather with men from every campus for an action-packed time of adventure, inspiration, and connection with keynote speaker Ben Stuart, worship leader Ryan Langford, and numerous breakout leaders. Details and registration at HoustonsFirst.org/Men.

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THE LOOP

Make It Your Church Orientation

Sun, Sep 20 @ 12:30-1:45p — The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)

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

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Voter Registration

Every Sun thru Oct 4 — The Loop

On Tue, Nov 3, area residents will vote in various local races (including Mayor of Houston) and on Houston's proposed Equal Rights Ordinance. Register to vote at tables in the Main Foyer and the Fitness & Rec Center lobby on Sundays before the Mon, Oct 5, deadline.

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NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Middle School Retreat

Fri, Oct 2 @ 6p-Sun, Oct 4 @ 4p

Lake Tomahawk, Livingston

Ready to get away? Leave school, homework, and distractions behind and spend a weekend with The HUB! Meet new people, connect with others, experience great worship, play crazy games — and enjoy a few surprises! Don't let anything keep you from Middle School Retreat! (Tony will be sad if you're not there.) Register for \$90 by Wed, Sep 30, at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

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COLLEGE

Fajita Dinner

Today @ 6:30p — The Loop (Fitness & Rec Ctr)

Gather with the College Ministry for a FREE fajita dinner! Meet Pastor Gregg, the College Ministry team, and other college students while you hear about what we're doing this year. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Events for info on free transportation from UH and HBU, or text/call 832.791.4685. Students from all colleges are welcome!

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SINGLES LATE 30S-50S

Texans Game Day Party

Sun, Sep 20 @ 12:45p

Are you ready for some football?! Gather with Impact (single adults, late 30s-50s) to watch the Texans pound the Panthers "Texan Style" on the big screen — and, enjoy the pool and food from the grill, too. RSVP and get directions at HoustonsFirst.org/Events.

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WOMEN

Called

Every Mon, Sep 14-Oct 19 @ 6:30-8p

The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)

To be called by God doesn't mean being sent to a remote village to do hard work. The call of God is "know Me," not "show Me." Gather with other women of all ages as Gari Meacham teaches a six-week study on how to better understand your calling. Learn more at HoustonsFirst.org/Women.

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CYPRESS

MEN

Fight the Good Fight

Tuesdays @ 6:30-8a — Cypress Ministry Center

How do I become the man that God has called me to be? What are the attributes and practices of a godly man? Gather with the men of Cypress as we explore these questions facilitated by Ian Brou. Details at HoustonsFirst.org/Cypress.

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DOWNTOWN

PLACE Downtown

Every Wed, Sep 16-Oct 14 @ 7-8:30p

Vine Street Studios

God calls all Christians to love and minister to others in their everyday lives. PLACE is designed to help you discover how your personality, spiritual gifts, passions, and life experiences can work together to make a difference for His Kingdom. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown.

Vine Street Studios is located at 1113 Vine St., Suite 117.

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Share Your Faith Workshop

Sat, Oct 3 @ 9a-2p — Vine Street Studios

Taught by Downtown Campus Pastor Lee Hsia, the Share Your Faith Workshop from Evangelism Explosion (EE) introduces a Gospel presentation that's easy to learn and hard to forget, using the five fingers on your hand. Register at HoustonsFirst.org/Downtown. Vine Street Studios is located at 1113 Vine St., Suite 117.

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SIENNA

"Make Room" with Jeff Rees

Wed, Sep 23 @ 6:30-8p — Sienna Worship Center

Sienna Campus Pastor Jeff Rees will introduce *Make Room*, his new book that provides the tools and the blueprint for creating or improving serious relationships. Copies of *Make Room* will be available for purchase at a special discount, and dinner will be provided.

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Sienna Mission Trip to New York

Oct 28-Nov 1, 2015

Jordan Floro and Jeff Rees are leading a mission team to New York City to encourage, support and assist the Connection Church in Astoria, Queens, as they plan for their Halloween Outreach. Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Missions to fill out a Mission Trip Interest Form by Tue, Sep 15.

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SPANISH

Celebración Familiar

Tue, Sep 15 @ 6:30-8:30p — The Loop (Harbor Rm)

The Spanish Campus is coming together for a Family Night with food and fun! Bring your family and invite your friends for bowling, games, laughs, and much more. This is a great time to introduce others to your church family, so RSVP at HoustonsFirst.org/Spanish.


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Make It Your Church Orientation

Sun, Sep 20 @ 6:30p — The Loop (Harbor Rm)

Gather with us for dinner to learn what it means to be a part of the Houston's First family! This is a perfect opportunity to invite your Spanish-speaking friends and family. RSVP at HoustonsFirst.org/Spanish.

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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.