

### **First Pantry** Sun, Sep 4 — The Loop

The Faith Center's Food Pantry & Clothes Closets serve more than 1,000 people each month. At The Loop Campus next Sun, Sep 4, please bring non-perishable food items. gently used clothing, and other household goods to help serve those in need. Donation bins will be located at main entrances to the church and in the Missions Office.

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

# **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 aaraaes at HoustonsFirst.ora

# **MAKE IT YOUR CHURCH** ORIENTATION

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 about membership and to RSVP to an upcoming session at your campus:

The Loop – Sun, Sep 18 @ 12:30p – The Loop (Fellowship Ctr) Cypress – Sun, Sep 18 @ 12:30p – Cypress Ministry Center Sienna – Sun, Sep 18 @ 12:30p – NextGen Ste 220D

# FALL 2016

# WEDNESDAY EVENINGS - THE LOOP

Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink — an evening of food and activities for all ages! Pick up a Milestones

# CHURCHWIDE

MidLink Cafe @ 4:45-6:15p – Fellowship Ctr Milestones classes @ 6:30-8p – various locations

### WORSHIP/MUSIC

Worship Choir @ 7-8:30p - Rehearsal Hall Worship Orchestra @ 7-8:30p – Worship Ctr

# FITNESS

Boot Camp @ 6-6:45p - Rm. 270 The Armor of God @ 6:30-8p – Group X Rm

# 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 (4yrs-K) @ 6-7p – Rm 303 (Clubhouse) Mission Friends (Birth-K) @ 7-8p – Preschool Suite

### **CHILDREN** (KidLink)

Doors open at 5:45p — The Loft (Rm 301) • High 5 Kids' Choir (1st-5th Grade)

- Preteen Serve (4th-5th Grade)
- Breakout (1st-3rd Grade)
- Friction (4th-5th Grade) • Thru the Roof - Special Needs – Rm 329

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**MIDDLE SCHOOL** Wired @ 6:30-8p – Rm 364

**HIGH SCHOOL** AMP @ 6:30-8p - Rm 363

# He. Just. Is. ISAIAH 33:6

HOUSTON'S FIRST

# Women's Retreat 2016 OCT 7 & 8 – OMNI WESTSIDE HOTEL

Women from every campus are invited to this gathering as we learn that, in a world of constant motion, God remains ... Unchanging. He. Just. Is.

# SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

The Loop Campus 7401 Katy Fwy Houston, TX 77024 Worship 9:15a-11a-5p 8a • 9:15a • 10:45a • 6:30p

Cypress Campus Smith Middle School 10300 Warner Smith Blvd Cypress, TX 77433 Warshin, 9:30:e 11: 9:30a & 11a Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a

Downtown Campus 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level) Houston, TX 77002 nip 11a e Studies 9:30a Life Rih

Español Campus Sienna Campus 4309 Sienna Pkwy 7401 Katy Freeway Houston, TX 77024 Missouri City, TX 77459 **p** 9:30a&11a Studies 9:30a & 11a

Register by Sun, Sep 11 • HoustonsFirst.org



# **ALL CAMPUSES**

# HighPoint Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 11:30a – 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level) This weekly downtown Bible study is open to everybody! Dr. David Self will be teaching this Wednesday at 12:10p. Bring your lunch, or purchase one there for \$8. Visit

HoustonsFirst.org to learn more.

# CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

# **Group Counseling**

The Counseling Center at Houston's First offers these groups and other services for church members and non-members:

### Men of Integrity Wednesdays thru Dec 7 @ 5:30-7p The Loop (Ste 600)

This is a confidential therapy group for men struggling with sexual compulsive issues/sex addiction. Contact Greg.Curnutte@HoustonsFirst.org for information.

### Wounded Heart Thursdays thru Dec 8 @ 5:30-7p The Loop (Ste 600)

For men or women 20 years or older who have experienced sexual abuse. Contact Caroline.Gaddis@HoustonsFirst.org for information and a prescreening session.



# LOUISIANA DISASTER RELIEF FUND

Houston's First is partnering with churches in Louisiana to provide funds for flood relief efforts. There are three ways to make a donation:

**ONSITE** – Designate "Disaster Relief" on envelope or check

**ONLINE** – Visit "Giving" page at HoustonsFirst.org and select "Disaster Relief" as Giving Type

**ON MOBILE** – Text your campus code to 77977 for secure link and select "Disaster Relief" as Giving Type (HFBCLoop, HFBCCypress, HFBCDowntown, HFBCEspanol, HFBCSienna)

### WOMEN Cry Out Fri, Sep 23 @ 6-9p – The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)

One evening...One heart...One cry! Hundreds of thousands of women will gather in thousands of locations to seek the Lord together — for such a time as this! What could be more vital at this critical time than for women to get on their knees together to cry out to the Lord for mercy? Experience the power and joy of corporate prayer as together we cry out to God, asking Him to do in us and in our nation what no manmade effort can accomplish. Learn more at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT Meredyth.Cann@HoustonsFirst.org** 

# Women's Retreat: Unchanging Oct 7-8 – The Omni Westside

Every two years, the Houston's First Women's Ministry holds a retreat for women of all ages from every campus to encourage unity in Christ. This year's retreat theme is Unchanging, based on Isaiah 33:6. Invite your sister, mother, daughter, neighbor and friends to hear Gari Meacham talk about how God is unchanging. He. Just. Is. Visit HoustonsFirst.org for costs, rooming arrangements, retreat personalities and register online by Sun, Sep 11. **CONTACT Meredyth.Cann@HoustonsFirst.org** 

# MEN

Men: Serve

### Sat, Sep 17 @ 8a-1p — The Loop (Oasis Rm) Men will gather at The Loop Campus then head out in teams around the city to serve the widows in our church family. Yard work, home repairs, car maintenance and other tasks – there is a place for you to serve! Register by Fri, Sep 9, at HoustonsFirst.org. If you are a widow in need of assistance contact Sherry Oradat at 713.957.6764. CONTACT Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org

# **THE LOOP**

Life Bible Study Leadership Luncheon Sun, Sep 11 @ 11:30a-1:45p – The Loop (Fitness & Rec Ctr) Attention all Life Bible Study leaders in all age divisions – and anyone interested in serving: no matter what your role in LBS, kick-off this new year of ministry as the fall semester begins! We'll hear and see how God is using LBS to impact lives of members, leaders, and those in the community through our classes. Registration is required for child care at HoustonsFirst.org. CONTACT Alisa.Williams@HoustonsFirst.org

## MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS Marriage Matters

Fri, Sep 16 @ 6:30-8:30p – The Loop (Fellowship Ctr) Your marriage matters! And, in marriage, there are a lot of matters to consider. Come enjoy dinner and an evening of marriage encouragement from guest speakers Steve & Debbie Wilson. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to register for just \$25 per couple – including childcare! Space is limited! CONTACT Kristin.Hawkinson@HoustonsFirst.org

# WOMEN

Waiting in Hope — A Night with a Counselor Mon, Aug 29 @ 6:30-8p — The Loop (Connection Ctr) Waiting in Hope is a ministry to encourage and embrace those struggling through the grief of infertility, miscarriage/losing a child, or waiting through the adoption process. Ladies are invited to come for this one-night only event for support and help. Bring your concerns, questions and needs to professional counselor Cheryl Butler, owner of True North Counseling and Wellness. CONTACT Meredyth.Cann@HoustonsFirst.org

# **CYPRESS**

Guarding Your Child's Heart Every Wednesday, Aug 31-Oct 5 @ 6:30-7:30p Cypress Ministry Center

Facilitated by Dana & Allen O'Neal, this study by Dr. Gary Smalley presents how-to steps, engaging questions and practical exercises with fun activities to help the whole family memorize and meditate on key Scriptures. Moms and dads are welcome, and kids can go to their regularly scheduled Wednesday evening activities. Find out more at HoustonsFirst.org. **CONTACT Dana.Haddad@HoustonsFirst.org** 

# Relational Exercise Wednesdays, Sep 7-Oct 12 @ 6:30-7:30p Home of Ted & Yvonne Cummins

Explore a practical, biblical perspective on human relationships. You will learn the how-to's for experiencing more joy, peace, contentment and abundance in all your significant relationships. Facilitated by Bill & Kathy Morton. **CONTACT Dana.Haddad@HoustonsFirst.org** 

# DOWNTOWN

Good Faith: Being a Christian When Society Thinks You're Irrelevant and Extreme Wednesdays, Sep 14-Oct 26 @ 7-8:30p Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine Street, Suite 117) How do you live faithfully in a culture that seems increasingly hostile to the Christian faith? This seven-week study, facilitated by Lee Hsia and Peter Lee, will help you respond with compassion, clarity, and confidence to the most toxic issues of our day; discover significant cultural trends that are creating both obstacles and opportunities for Christians; and know what you believe and why it doesn't make you judgmental or extreme. Register for \$14 at HoustonsFirst.org by Tue, Sep 13. CONTACT Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

# **ESPAÑOL** WOMEN

Believing in Him — Women's Fall Bible Study Series Wednesdays, Sep 21 & Oct 26 @ 6p — The Loop (Rm 403) Join us in this series where you will learn how to walk in the confidence of Jesus Christ. Many of us say we believe in Christ, but do you really believe IN Him? Learn more about the study and register at HoustonsFirst.org. CONTACT Karina.Bazaldua@HoustonsFirst.ora

# SIENNA WOMEN

Fall Women's Bible Studies

Register for the following at HoustonsFirst.org for \$20 (additional \$5 for childcare).

• James: Mercy Triumphs by Beth Moore Tuesdays, Sep 13-Nov 15 @ 10a-12p Sienna Campus (The Corner)

In ten weeks together, we will go through an eight-week video series with small group time that will provide encouragement and support through this book of faith, joy, prayer and hardship. And a bonus: in two of those weeks, we will serve together in local mission projects.

• Lies Women Believe Wednesdays, Sep 14-Nov 16 @6:30-8p Sienna Campus (The Corner)

10 Women. 10 Stories. 10 Weeks. Come and hear Sienna women share the ways God redeemed them from their own personal pit, and the tools God used to help them break free from the lies of the enemy.

# **CONTACT Cherry.Sears@HoustonsFirst.org**

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. Need more information? Call 713.681.8000, visit HoustonsFirst.org, and follow us on 🚯 😋 😋 😳 🕲 🔊

### CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT.

# As a courtesy to others:

- Silence cell phones
- Use restroom before worship service
- Remain seated once message begins
- If you leave, re-entry may not be allowed

# At the end of the worship service as people are invited to accept Christ or join the church:

Remain in the Worship Center
Exit after we are dismissed