

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Mon, June 26–Thu, June 29 @ 9a–12:30p – The Loop
Discover the God of the universe as a Galactic Starveyor! Kids will search the skies and God's Word to uncover His truth etched in His handiwork. VBS is for kids entering kindergarten through sixth grade in Fall 2017, plus Little Dippers (kids born by Dec 31, 2012). Registration is open at HoustonsFirst.org!

• VBS for Women

June 26–29 @ 9:30–11:30a – The Loop (Garden Rm)

Discover the wonder among wonders – that the God who created everything there is – the visible and invisible longs to rescue you, have a relationship with you and restore your hope. Join Nancy Taylor as she teaches and encourages you during the week of VBS.

• Family Night

Wed, June 28 @ 6–7:30p – The Loop (Worship Ctr)

Kids and their families will get to experience VBS together with an evening designed with the whole family in mind! Dinner is available @ 4:45–6:15p.



Looking for a place to serve this summer?

Come give life away at the Faith Center's Food Pantry & Clothes Closet – a ministry that serves over 1,500 people each month. Volunteers help sort donations, guide people as they shop, share the Gospel, and more!

• Faith Center – Spring Branch

Mon–Thu & Sat @ 10a–1p – 8244 Long Point Rd

CONTACT Claudia.Reyes@HoustonsFirst.org

• Faith Center – Harwin

Tue, Thu & Sat @ 10a–1p – 5860 Ranchester Dr #833

CONTACT Justin.Seale@HoustonsFirst.org

Visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn more about the Faith Centers.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

Summer Reading Challenge

Now through Aug 14

You have until Sun, Aug 14, to read your books, but TODAY is the last day to turn in entries for the following:

- The Book That Changed My Life (Middle School to Adult) – explain why in 100 words or less
- Illustrate Your Own Book Cover (18 and under) – templates available at HoustonsFirst.org and in CornerBooks

First place prizes are \$100 gift cards for Amazon or Texas Art Supply! Stop by CornerBooks for details.

If It Brings You Glory

The latest album from the Choir & Orchestra at Houston's First is available now from CornerBooks and iTunes! *If It Brings You Glory* features "Come Ever Reign," "I Just Can't Stop My Hallelujahs," "He Leadeth Me," and other original songs, several with multigenerational moments with children and students, too.



School of Fine Arts

AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

SOFA Summer Camps

The School of Fine Arts at The Loop Campus offers a variety of camps and classes this summer. Visit HoustonsFirst.org for details and to enroll.

- **Music Theory** – July 9, 15 & 16 @ 12:30–2:30p
- **Guitar** – July 10–14, July 17–21 @ 10–11:30a
- **Beginner Jazz/Tap Dance** – July 17–19 @ 7–8p & 8–9p
- **Music Theater** – July 17–28 @ 9:30a–12:30p
- **Drum** – July 24–28 @ 10–11:30a
- **Intermediate Jazz/Tap Dance** – July 31–Aug 2 @ 7–8p & 8–9p



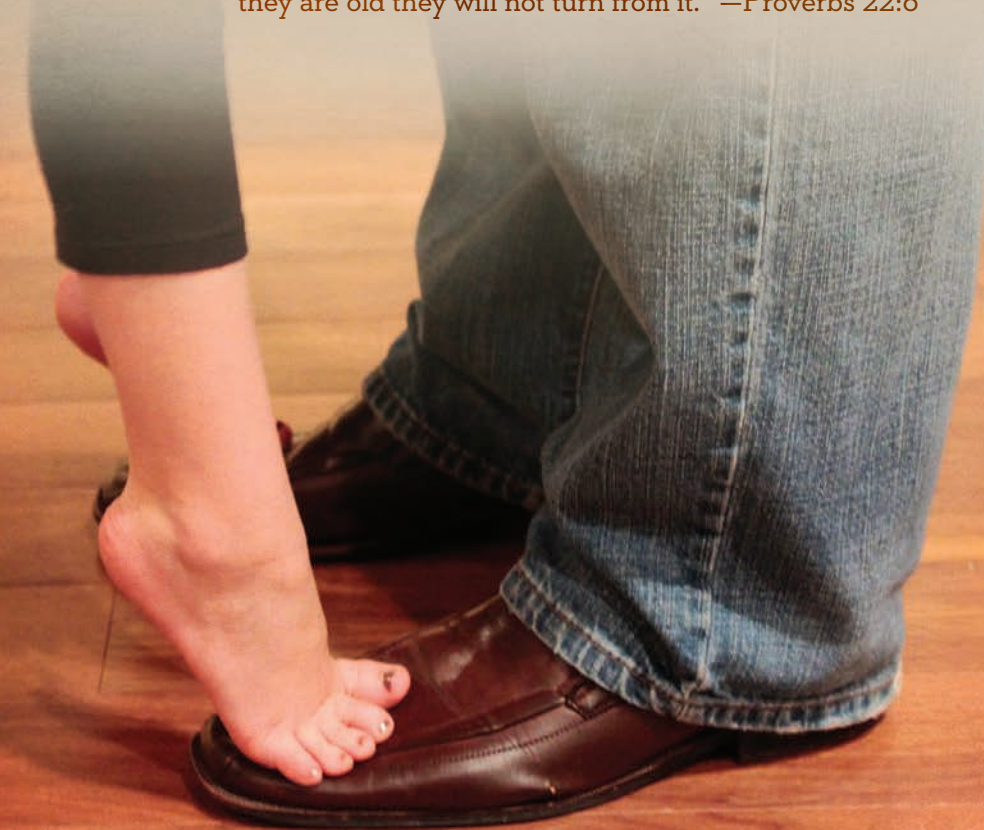
HOUSTON'S FIRST
BAPTIST CHURCH
PASTOR GREGG MATTE

Weekly Guide
June 18, 2017

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

A father can better instill biblical values in his kids when he exhibits them himself. Whether you have a newborn or great-grandchildren, connect with other men at Houston's First and let God use them to sharpen you into His image. Since He is the best Daddy there ever was, that's a great image to reflect.

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." —Proverbs 22:6



See inside for info about IGNITE,
the churchwide men's retreat Oct 20–21

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

11011 Mason Rd
Cypress, TX 77433

Worship 9:30a & 11a

Life Bible Studies

8a • 9:30a • 11a

Downtown Campus

1730 Jefferson St
Houston, TX 77003

Worship 11a

Life Bible Studies 9:30a

Español Campus

7401 Katy Freeway
Houston, TX 77024

Worship 5p

Life Bible Studies 6:30p

Sienna Campus

4309 Sienna Pkwy
Missouri City, TX 77459

Worship 9:30a & 11a

Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a



TWEET OF THE WEEK: "It's official! @HFBCCypress Praise God! #GrandOpening #GreatBeginning"
— Mark Rister, @RisterMark

ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 11:30a — 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)
This weekly downtown Bible study is open to everyone! Dr. David Self is 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

GriefShare

Thursdays @ 7-8:30p — The Loop (Rm 249)
Fridays @ 10-11:30a — The Loop (Rm 249)
GriefShare helps you move from mourning to joy, showing you how to take healthy steps forward after your loved one's death. This weekly group is a place where you don't have to have it all together. You'll find others who understand the raw emotions and difficult struggles you're facing. GriefShare is now available two times a week at The Loop Campus — Thursday evenings or Friday mornings.
CONTACT Janette.Arterburn@HoustonsFirst.org

Summer Seminar: Israel and The Nations

Wed, July 26 @ 6:30-8:30p — The Loop (Chapel)
This free summer seminar will feature guest speaker Moran Rosenblit with Hope for Israel, a Jerusalem-based organization. He will speak about the significance of Israel among the nations and current world events. Learn more about Moran and Hope for Israel at HoustonsFirst.org.
CONTACT Cathy.Clemons@HoustonsFirst.org

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Rush Week

July 21-27 — Panama City Beach, FL
Students entering 7th-12th grades are invited to this unique experience! Rush Week is 50% camp and 50% missions. Students partner with local churches in Panama City, FL, to assist in ministry, service projects, and evangelism each morning. In the afternoon we play, compete, laugh, relax, worship and learn more about God. We want YOU there! Register at HoustonsFirst.org by this Wed, June 21!
CONTACT Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

COLLEGE/SINGLES/MARRIED

The Porch Live Houston

Tuesdays @ 7:30-9p — The Loop (Worship Center)
Houston's First is partnering with The Porch Dallas to bring The Porch Live Houston worship experience. People in their 20s and 30s gather on Tuesday nights for live worship, great teaching and fellowship. Come see what The Porch Live Houston is all about at HoustonsFirst.org.
CONTACT Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Oasis Conference for Single Moms

Sat, July 15 @ 8:30a-4p — The Loop
The desert of life can be vast and overwhelming. We all need oases to refresh us! Spend a day being refreshed and focused on the One who will walk with you through the desert. Hear from Natalie Mott, be led in worship with Lisa Pierre, and learn from those who have gone before you as single mothers. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn about extras, activities for kids, and to register.
CONTACT Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Warrior's Heart

Thursdays @ 6:30-7:30a — The Loop (Garden Rm)
This summer we begin a new series, *Walking with God*. Minister to Men Eric Reed and Steve Diserens will co-facilitate this time of encouragement. Breakfast is available for purchase in the Café. Learn more at HoustonsFirst.org.
CONTACT Heather.Kuehler@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

The HUB Challenge

Sun, July 9 @ 6-10p — The Loop (HUB area)
Are you up for the challenge? Students (6th-12th grades) — get your team of 8-10 and get ready for a night of competition with The HUB Challenge! Bring friends, dress in uniform and prepare for a night of extreme challenges. You will not want to miss out!
CONTACT Tony.Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Father's Day Luncheon

Today @ 12:30p — The Loop (Oasis Rm)
Dads — we want to celebrate YOU! The "My Dad, My Hero" Father's Day luncheon is for single dads to let your children honor you. After lunch together, dads will receive a gift and hear a word of encouragement from Minister to Men Eric Reed. Walk-ins are welcome.
CONTACT Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Fight: Winning the Battles that Matter Most

Wednesdays, through July 5 @ 6:45-8:15p
The Loop (Garden Rm)
Please join us this summer for this five week series. In this video-based small group Bible study, pastor and bestselling author Craig Groeschel explores the life of Samson, helping you uncover who you really are—a man created with a warrior's heart in the image of God—and how to stand up and fight for what's right. Find out more at HoustonsFirst.org.
CONTACT Heather.Kuehler@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

Grow@Home: Summer Nights

Wednesdays, June 21 & July 19 @ 6-8p
11011 Mason Rd, Cypress
Here are two opportunities to engage as a family, exploring relevant issues to equip you to grow together. Bring the entire family and enjoy a meal, faith conversations and fun! Don't miss out on this chance to strengthen your faith and family relationships.
CONTACT Cindy.Wineman@HoustonsFirst.org

Astros Game with The HUB

Fri, July 14 @ 5:30-10:30p
11011 Mason Rd, Cypress
Let's go out to the ballgame! Students in 6th-12th grades — join The HUB Cypress for an evening of baseball, fun, and fireworks as the Astros take on the Minnesota Twins. We will take buses from the Cypress Campus to Minute Maid Park and back. Invite a friend and sign up today! Register for just \$35 at HoustonsFirst.org or on The HUB Cypress App.
CONTACT Karen.Willingham@HoustonsFirst.org

DOWNTOWN

MARRIED YOUNG ADULTS

Parents' Afternoon Out

Sat, June 24 @ 11a-1p — 1730 Jefferson St.
Drop off your kiddos and enjoy some uninterrupted time to run errands, do some shopping, or enjoy a coffee date with your spouse. Our FirstFriends ministry will provide lunch and care for your kids (ages 4 & under). Register online at HoustonsFirst.org by Tue, June 20.
CONTACT: Kristin.Fowles@HoustonsFirst.org

ESPAÑOL

Family Celebration

Sat, July 29 @ 12p — Hunt Retreat
Gather with the Español Campus familia for a day at Hunt Retreat! Bring your whole family for fun, games, food and fellowship.
CONTACT: Douglas.Hernandez@HoustonsFirst.org

SIENNA

Summer Night of Family Worship

Wed, June 28 @ 6:30-8p — Sienna Worship Center
You'll likely be playing together as a family this summer; make sure you worship together, too! Come together with the Sienna Campus family for a time of praise and worship and a word from Campus Pastor Malcolm Marshall.
CONTACT Kelli.Boylan@HoustonsFirst.org



HOUSTON 1:8

JULY 10-13 — A MISSION TRIP TO OUR CITY

Houston 1:8 turns 20 this year! Be a missionary right here at home as we share the love and truth of Jesus throughout the greater Houston area. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to discover where your campus is serving, then register by **next Sun, June 25**.



Oct 20-21 — Trinity Pines Conference 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 Kenny Luck, worship leader Ryan Langford, and numerous breakout leaders. Registration opens soon at 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 Guest Experience (GX) team at your campus for assistance.



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 [f](https://www.facebook.com/HoustonsFirst) [i](https://www.instagram.com/HoustonsFirst) [y](https://www.youtube.com/HoustonsFirst) [in](https://www.linkedin.com/HoustonsFirst) [p](https://www.pinterest.com/HoustonsFirst) [t](https://www.tumblr.com/HoustonsFirst) [s](https://www.snapchat.com/HoustonsFirst)

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
- Pray as people respond