

#### First Pantry Sun, Aug 6 — The Loop

The Faith Center's Food Pantry & Clothes Closets serve more than 1,000 people each month. Next Sun, Aug 6, please bring nonperishable food items, gently used clothing and other household goods to The Loop Campus 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 Live Away, contact Charlotte.Nease@HoustonsFirst.org.



### Summer Reading Challenge Now through Aug 14

The Library at CornerBooks at The Loop Campus invites you to take the Summer Reading Challenge! Accept the challenge by searching "CornerBooks" at HoustonsFirst.org or stopping inside CornerBooks at The Loop. The challenge wraps up with a celebration on Wed, Aug 23 — and the more you read, the greater chances you have to win some special prizes!

## IT'S TIME TO SUIT UP



Get your game face on and join the team as we gear up for *Celebration* this Christmas! There are many different positions to play in our annual Christmas musical presentation this Dec 7-10. Visit TheFirstChristmas.org or text CELEBRATION to 41411 to discover how you can use your gifts and skills on Team Celebration.

**CONTACT Dora.Bolin@HoustonsFirst.org** 

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY

Develop friendships and learn about other cultures by opening your heart to international students and scholars during their time of university study in Houston. Attend a one-time orientation at The Loop campus to learn more about becoming a friendship partner with an international student from the University of Houston. Contact Marie Downing for orientation times and more information.

**CONTACT downings@flash.net** 

## **SHUTTLE PARKING**

Do you attend The Loop Campus 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.

## **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

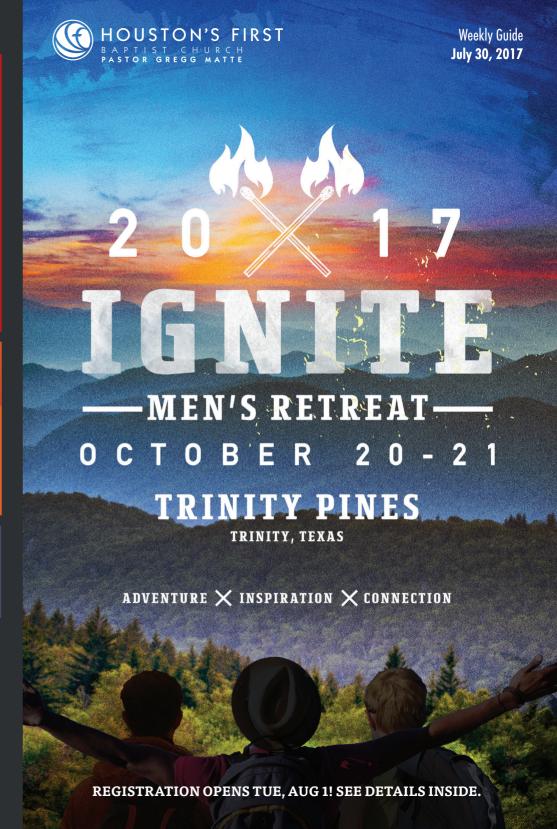
11011 Mason Rd Cypress, TX 77433 Worship 9:30a & 11a Life Bible Studies 8a • 9:30a • 11a **Downtown Campus** 1730 Jefferson St

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





**Deacons Meeting and Church Conference** Wed, Aug 9 - The Loop

The Deacon Administrative Committee meeting is at 5:30p in Rm 143. All Deacons will meet at 6:30p in the Oasis Rm followed by the monthly Church Conference at 7:30p. Anyone may attend the Church Conference, but only church members may vote.

**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.ora

First H.O.P.E.

Sat, Aug 12 @ 9a-12p - The Loop (Rm 253/254)

For job seekers and those wanting a career change, First H.O.P.E. job ministry offers a professional consultant, resume/interview tips, career assessment and more. Join our special quest speakers Regina Campbell with Workforce Solutions, Brian Kryger and Susan Goncher as they talk about interviewing and resumes. Learn more about First H.O.P.E. and find the help you need at HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Bob. Stroud@HoustonsFirst.org

**Stephen Ministry Training Class** Wednesdays beginning Aug 30 @ 6:30-9p The Loop (Rm 330)

Stephen Ministry training equips our members through 50 hours of classes to come alongside an individual who is experiencing loneliness, relationship difficulties, loss, divorce, grief or spiritual crisis in their lives. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, fill out an application online at HoustonsFirst.org by Sun, Aug 27. CONTACT Denise.Munton@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

**Single Parent Family Camp** Fri, Sep 8-Sun, Sep 10 - Pineywoods Camp

Single parents and their kids are invited to the 2017 Single Parent Family Camp at Pineywoods near Lake Livingston! Days are filled with worship, being in the Word and lots of family adventure — canoeina, racina pedal cars, human foosball, dodaeball, adventure park, swimming and more. Have the time of your life while your whole family grows in their faith! Register at HoustonsFirst.org soon — space is limited! CONTACT Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.ora

MEN

Warrior's Heart

Thursdays @ 6:30-7:30a — The Loop (Garden Rm)

In our summer series, Walking with God, Minister to Men Eric Reed and Steve Discerns 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** 

First Kids Family Pool Party Wed, Aug 9 @ 6:30-8:30p — Quillian Center Before heading back to school, come hang out with other

First Kids families (1st–5th grades) poolside or at the basketball courts at this free party at the Quillian Center at First Methodist Houston! Food and drinks will be provided, so bring the whole family for a night of fun! Registration is required for this free event at HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Dylan.Pierson@HoustonsFirst.org

**Welcome to The HUB** Sun, Aug 13 @ 12:30-2p - The Loop (The HUB area)

Having a sixth grader, and soon, a teenager, can be stressful, exciting and challenging. The HUB Student Ministry comes alongside parents and students, encouraging them as they begin navigating uncharted waters. Meet The HUB staff, sixth grade teachers and other families with students over an informative lunch to learn about The HUB and hear an encouraging word from Dr. Richard Ross, Student Ministry professor at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. RSVP at HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Tony. Bianco@HoustonsFirst.org

**Generation-to-Generation Training** Sat, Aug 19 @ 8:30a-12p — The Loop (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 auidance, and biblical friendship. This training time is required for all men seeking to be a mentor at Houston's First.

CONTACT Jim. Jones@HoustonsFirst.org

**CYPRESS WOMFN** 

**MOPS: Mothers of Preschoolers** 

First and Third Tuesdays @ 9:30a-12p beginning in Sep **Cypress Campus** 

This fall the Cypress Campus will begin MOPS! MOPS international encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women, and leaders in relationship with Jesus and in partnership with the local church. This groups meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month and is facilitated by Jessica Jackson. Learn more about joining MOPS and register at HoustonsFirst.ora.

CONTACT Andi.Farrell@HoustonsFirst.org

Mother's Day Out

Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 9a-2p, beginning in Sep Cypress Campus

The Cypress Campus of Houston's First is pleased to announce the start of Mother's Day Out beginning this fall! We will welcome children (Birth thru PreK), both from our church and community to engage in Bible-centered teaching, enrichment and fun! Registration is open at HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Michelle.Valentine@HoustonsFirst.org

**DOWNTOWN NEXTGEN MINISTRIES** 

**Fun Family Outing** 

Sat, Aug 5 @ 10:30a-1p — Levy Park (3801 Eastside St) Gather with the Downtown Campus First Friends and First Kids ministries for an afternoon of fun at Levy Park! Take an opportunity to connect with other families from our campus in a relaxed environment and enjoy a provided lunch together, too! Register at HoustonsFirst.org for just \$5/person (\$20 max/family) by Wed. Aug 2.

CONTACT Kristin.Fowles@HoustonsFirst.org



**ESPAÑOL** 

Make It Your Church Orientation

Sun, Aug 20 @ 6:30p — The Loop (Reception Rm)
Discover what it means to be a member of Houston's First at the Español Campus! Over dinner, meet staff members and hear about our mission, vision, and ministries. This is a perfect opportunity to invite your Spanish speaking friends & family. Learn more about membership and register by Sun, Aug 13 at HoustonsFirst.ora.

CONTACT Douglas. Hernandez@HoustonsFirst.ora

SIENNA

**Baptism Sunday** 

Sun, Aug 27— Sienna Campus

Celebrate our brothers and sisters in Christ who are being baptized immediately following the 11a worship service on the Sienna Campus patio. If you would like to be baptized, or want more information on baptism, please contact Sienna Campus Pastor Malcolm Marshall.

CONTACT Malcolm.Marshall@HoustonsFirst.org



Oct 20–21 — Trinity Pines Retreat, Trinity, TX
Men from every campus of Houston's First will gather for the
biennial Men's Retreat with guest speaker and award-winning author Kenny Luck. This year's retreat features a new charter bus option and a range of outdoor activities, including: football, soccer, basketball, Disc Golf and much more! So visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn more. Registration opens online Tue, Aug 1!

CONTACT Heather. Kuehler@HoustonsFirst.org

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**CREATING A WORSHIPFUL ENVIRONMENT.** 

#### As a courtesy to others

- Silence cell phones
- Use restroom before worship service
- If you leave, re-entry may not be allowed
- Remain in the Worship Center Remain seated once message begins
- At the end of the worship service as people are invited to accept Christ or join the church
  - Pray as people respond
- Exit after we are dismissed