



**First Fest / Light The Night
Mon, Oct 31**

Reach out to others on Halloween by inviting them to FirstFest at The Loop (5-9p, free admission) or by hosting a party in your neighborhood! Find details about both at HoustonsFirst.org and be intentional about being a light on a dark night!



**Eight Presentations • Dec 7-11 • The Loop Campus
Tickets Now Available!**

Who will you invite to enjoy the music and hear the Gospel at *Celebration*? Tickets to this spectacular Christmas musical experience are available now at TheFirstChristmas.org, by phone at 1.866.200.9569, and at kiosks in the Main Foyer at The Loop. Come make a memory this Christmas at *Celebration*!
#MyCelebrationMemory



"Nothing Shakes the Hope"

A new album from Houston's First worship leaders – "Nothing Shakes The Hope" – releases on Sun, Nov 13. For now, enjoy an exclusive preview of "Mercy Arms," an original song off the album, from Oct 30-Nov 4 by visiting HoustonsFirst.org.
#NothingShakesTheHope

SUNDAYS AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

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| <p>The Loop Campus
7401 Katy Fwy
Houston, TX 77024
Worship 9:15a-11a-5p
Life Bible Studies
8a-9:15a-10:45a-6:30p</p> | <p>Cypress Campus
Smith Middle School
10300 Warner Smith Blvd
Cypress, TX 77433
Worship 9:30a & 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a</p> | <p>Downtown Campus
1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)
Houston, TX 77002
Worship 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a</p> | <p>Español Campus
7401 Katy Freeway
Houston, TX 77024
Worship 5p
Life Bible Studies 6:30p</p> | <p>Sienna Campus
4309 Sienna Pkwy
Missouri City, TX 77459
Worship 9:30a & 11a
Life Bible Studies 9:30a & 11a</p> |
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Operation Christmas Child

The Loop and Sienna campuses are collecting boxes to be sent to girls and boys living overseas. Pick up instructions to make your box at The Loop in the Missions Office and in the Sienna Campus Main Foyer. Return your filled box by Sun, Nov 13, and Samaritan's Purse will send it around the world as a means of sharing Christ this Christmas.

**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 Guest Experience (GX) 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.



WORLD MISSION OFFERING • 2017 MISSION TRIPS • DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING

Whether in our community or in distant lands, Houston's First offers numerous ways to make a difference for God's kingdom as we pray, give and go in His name.

Discover current and future opportunities at HoustonsFirst.org, and look for a preview booklet from our Missions Team next Sun, Nov 6.

ALL CAMPUSES

HighPoint Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 11:30a – 1010 Lamar (Tunnel Level)

This weekly downtown Bible study is open to everybody! 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

Deacons Meeting and Church Conference

Sun, Nov 6 – The Loop

Next Sunday, the Deacon Administrative Committee meeting is at 2:30p in Rm 143. All Deacons will meet at 3:30p in the Oasis Rm followed by the monthly Church Conference at 4:30p. Anyone may attend the Church Conference, but only church members may vote.

Veterans Day Chapel Service

Fri, Nov 11 @ 8:15a – The Loop (Worship Ctr)

First Baptist Academy students invite all veterans to a special chapel service honoring them for their courage and sacrifice. The morning begins with breakfast at 8:15a (Reception Rm) followed by the chapel service with special guest James W. Mehrmann, Capt. USN (Ret.), Director of Outreach for the PTSD Foundation of America, Inc. For more information or to RSVP, contact the Advancement Office at 713.290.2511 or email Advancement@HFBA.org.

First H.O.P.E.

Sat, Nov 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 us for "Networking during the Holidays" with Ernie Perez and guest speaker Nancy Stroud teaching about resources for job seekers.

CONTACT Bob.Stroud@HoustonsFirst.org

NEXTGEN MINISTRIES

As We Go – The Loop (The HUB area)

Nov 11-12

As We Go is an event that invites and encourages our students to serve our city – and this year will be no different, with some fun added, too! At As We Go: Kingdom Come Weekend, students from each campus will stay in host homes, serve in a variety of ways across the city, and hear from a Rushmore church planter from NYC as he encourages and challenges our students. Learn more about the weekend at HoustonsFirst.org and register for \$40 by Thu, Nov 10.

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COLLEGE/SINGLES/MARRIED

The Porch Live

Tuesdays @ 7:13-9p – The Loop (Worship Center)

Houston's First is partnering with The Porch Dallas to bring The Porch Live worship experience to Houston. People in their 20s and 30s gather on Tuesday nights for live worship, great teaching and fellowship. Invite a friend and join us in our series, Relationship Goals. See what The Porch Live is all about at HoustonsFirst.org.

CONTACT Joshua.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org

MEN

Warrior's Heart

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

In our new series, The Kingdom, we examine the Kingdom of God in the Old and New Testaments and all its implications on all of life, covering success, marriage, decision-making, conflict, friendship, career and more. Different men teach each week, with Minister of Mobilization Jerrell Altic teaching this Thursday. Breakfast is available for purchase in the Café. Registration at HoustonsFirst.org is encouraged, but not required.

CONTACT Emily.Brown@HoustonsFirst.org

THE LOOP

ADULTS AGES 60+

Fall Bus Trip to Hunt Retreat

Mon, Nov 14 @ 9a-4p – Hunt Retreat

Take a bus trip, or drive yourself, to Hunt Retreat for the day! Hunt Retreat in Brookshire is a picturesque site for our yearly get together. You'll trade the rush of the city for a rippling stream and pecans falling softly from the trees. Bring your kazoo, guitar and whittlin', too! Cost is \$10 per person and lunch is provided. Register and learn more at HoustonsFirst.org or call Tracie Bowman at 713.957.7661.

CONTACT Adult.Enrichment@HoustonsFirst.org

CYPRESS

Foundation of Prayer

Sun, Nov 6 @ 2-4p – Cypress Campus construction site

As a body of believers, the Cypress Campus family is laying a 'foundation of prayer' on the floor of the Worship Center of our new building by writing the names of people we are praying to receive Christ. Once the flooring is installed and the new campus launches, our church family will literally 'pray over' these names for years to come. Don't miss this come-and-go opportunity for the whole family! Directions provided online and next Sunday.

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DOWNTOWN

Book Study: The Doctrine of God

Wednesdays, Nov 2–Dec 7 @ 7-8:30p

Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine Street, Ste 117)

A doctrine is something the whole Bible teaches us about a particular topic. In this six-week study facilitated by Ramsey Rabie, you will discover all the Bible teaches us about God, including the Trinity, God's providence, and the existence, knowability and character of God. Register at HoustonsFirst.org by Mon, Oct 31.

CONTACT Peter.Lee@HoustonsFirst.org

Finding your PLACE in Life & Ministry

Mondays, Nov 7–Dec 5 @ 7-8:30p

Vine Street Studios (1113 Vine Street, Ste 117)

This five-week course with Peter Lee will help you discover how God has uniquely designed you to be a difference maker among your family, friends, colleagues and community. We will cover topics such as personality, spiritual gifts, abilities, passions and life experiences. Following the course, you will be given an opportunity to meet with a PLACE Coach to help you implement what you learn. Register for just \$10 at HoustonsFirst.org by Thu, Nov 3.

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ESPAÑOL

New Life Bible Studies

Sundays @ 6:30p – The Loop

Get connected and grow deeper with the Español Campus! Try out one of our newly restructured Life Bible Studies on Sunday evenings following our 5p worship service: Dunamis (empty nesters), Transformando Mi Vida (couples and single parents) and Palabra Viva (singles).

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SIENNA

Re|Create Date Night

Fri, Nov 11 @ 5:30-9:30p

Sienna Campus (NextGen Rms)

Life is busy and schedules can quickly get away from us. Before we know it, it's been weeks – or months – since we've spent quality one-on-one time with our spouses. We want to help couples be intentional about spending time with each other. Re|Create Date night is a safe, fun and inexpensive childcare solution to help you get a date night! Learn more and register for childcare (Birth-5th) at HoustonsFirst.org.

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WEDNESDAY EVENINGS — THE LOOP

Session two of the Milestones semester recently got underway with several new classes being offered now through Wed, Nov 16. Gather at The Loop on Wednesday evenings for MidLink, with food and activities for all ages, Milestones classes, music rehearsals, fitness classes and NextGen activities for preschoolers, children and students. Pick up a *Milestones Guide* or visit HoustonsFirst.org for more information, 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) @ 7-8p – Rm 145
Milestones classes @ 6:30-8p – various locations



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 missions, vision, and ministries, and learn how you can make Houston's First your church. Visit HoustonsFirst.org to learn more about membership and to RSVP to an upcoming session at your campus:

- **The Loop** – Sun, Nov 20 @ 12:30p – The Loop (Fellowship Ctr)
- **Downtown** – Sun, Nov 20 @ 12:45p – 1010 Lamar
- **Español** – Sun, Nov 13 @ 6:30p – The Loop (Reception Rm)

Our Cypress and Sienna Campuses will host Make It Your Church Orientation in early 2017.

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
- Pray as people respond
- Exit after we are dismissed