



GOING GIVING PRAYING

EXCITING NEXT STEPS

Jan 8, 2017 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Jeremiah 33:3 & Matthew 14:22–32

► **January** – _____: **No food, Know** _____. *Psalm 35:13; Matthew 6:16–18*

- Fast: Letting go of a physical need for a _____.
- Not just removing food but adding prayer. Use your cravings and mealtime as _____ time.

— Our three choices in January

a. _____ for 5, 10 or 21 days *Daniel 1:12–14, 10:2–3*

b. Complete fast one _____ a week

c. Complete fast one _____ a week

(HoustonsFirst.org/news-stories/the-daniel-fast)

► **February** – _____: **God desires generosity** _____, **not from us.**

- Giving brings a _____ in our heart and _____ to our faith.
- Jesus called Peter to _____ on the water _____ there were wind and waves.

► **March/April** – _____

- Pray about Going...
- To a closer campus to _____ with your area
- Stepping up to _____. God wants to use you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Generosity
AT HOUSTON'S FIRST

Week ending Jan 1, 2017

Great Commission Giving

Weekly Total	\$235,041
Requirements	\$550,124
Fiscal Year Total	\$16,178,008
Requirements	\$16,652,852
Over/(Under)	(\$474,844)

(Fiscal Year is Jul 1–Jun 30)

Thank you for giving to the ministry and missional impact of Houston's First!

FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHES CLOSET

Spring Branch • Harwin

Over 1,000 people are served each month at these vibrant ministries of our Faith Centers in Spring Branch and Harwin. Volunteers make it possible by sorting donated items, assisting shoppers, praying with patrons and more.

Individuals, couples, families, Life Bible Studies — all are welcome to come and serve! Learn how you can make a difference at a Food Pantry & Clothes Closet by contacting either location:

Spring Branch

Open Mon–Thu & Sat @ 9a–Noon

8244 Long Point Rd, 77055

Claudia.Reyes@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.554.8817

Harwin

Open Tue, Thu & Sat @ 9a–Noon

5860 Ranchester Dr, Suite 833, 77036

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ATTENDANCE

Week ending Jan 1, 2017

Life Bible Studies did not meet on New Year's Day, Sun, Jan 1.

Mission Bible Study

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DECISIONS

Week ending Jan 1, 2017

Salvation

Connie Reyes

BIRTHS

- RJ & Abby Harris in the birth of their daughter, Evie Kate; Winnie Elle, sister
- Chad & Jamie Smith in the birth of their daughter, Peyton Ann; Ethan, brother

SYMPATHIES

- Jeanne Bolin (staff) in the loss of her husband, Don Bolin; John (staff) & Paige Bolin, son; David & Dora (staff) Bolin, son; Josh (staff) & Joy (staff) Harris, daughter; Grace, Hudson and John Luke Bolin and Timothy, Josiah and Lewis Harris, grandchildren
- Dick & Margaret Kinney in the loss of his sister, Joyce Kinney-Johnson
- Charlie & Kelly Martin in the loss of her father, Peter Lewis; Heath Martin, grandson
- Vickie Wolff and family in the loss of her mother, Violet Conerly (Vi Jennings)
- John & Ruth Bates in the loss of her brother
- Dena Lee in the loss of her aunt, Lessie Upchurch
- Phil & Caraline Wheeler in the loss of his father; Chloey and Jonathan, grandsons
- Ron (staff) & Cynthia (staff) Barkley and family in the loss of his brother
- Blake & Karlee Vestal in the loss of her grandfather; Bailee Vestal and Luke Vestal, great-grandchildren
- Barbara Duarte in the loss of her husband, Jesse
- Ken & Gay Lee Pearce and family in the loss of his niece, Kelly
- Clay & Courtney Eubanks in the loss of their son, Luke; Nathan Eubanks, brother
- Buddy & Nancy Martin in the loss of his aunt, Joyce Weaver
- Family and friends in the loss of Jim Mousner

MOBILE GIVING

Share your generosity with Houston's First via your mobile device! Text "HFBCloop" to 77977 to receive a link where you can make a one-time donation or establish recurring giving. Donations can be made to the following:

- Great Commission Budget
- Local Missions
- Benevolence
- World Mission Offering

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