

# THE GREATER STORY

EPHESIANS 1

## THE GREATER STORY: PART 1

Aug 17, 2014 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Ephesians 1:1–3

### The Book of Ephesians:

#### Write in your Bible:

- Chapters 1–3: Riches
- Chapters 4–6: Responsibilities
- Acts 18–20 & Revelation 2

#### ▶ Important question: Am I a saint or sinner?

*Matthew 27:52; Acts 9:41; Romans 1:7*

- We are \_\_\_\_\_!
- \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ are saints who, at times sin. See the \_\_\_\_\_ not the gravel.

#### ▶ We are \_\_\_\_\_!

*Deuteronomy 28:3; Psalm 41:2; Jeremiah 17:7*

- Spiritually blessed is \_\_\_\_\_ important than physically blessed.
- IN \_\_\_\_\_ not IN ME is the key.

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# WEEK AT A GLANCE

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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### MALE WEDNESDAY NIGHT CAMPUS COACHES

**Hub Student Ministry**  
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### CONNECTION CENTER TEAM Prayer, Missions & Connection Center

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### MIDLINK WELCOME TEAM

**NextGen**  
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### CONTACT & REVIVE

**College Community**  
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### MIDLINK MEAL TEAM

**Culinary Services**  
[Lori.Smith@HoustonsFirst.org](mailto:Lori.Smith@HoustonsFirst.org)

### STEPHEN MINISTRY

**Pastoral Care**  
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## GIVING — WEEK ENDING AUG 10, 2014

MISSION 1:8 Weekly Giving	\$452,701
MISSION 1:8 Weekly Goal	\$609,890
MISSION 1:8 Over/(Under) for August	\$37,454
Other Designated Giving	\$43,924
<b>MISSION 1:8 YTD</b>	<b>\$56,119,935</b>
(Giving to MISSION 1:8 is from Mar 2013–Feb 2015)	

## DECISIONS AUG 10, 2014

### Baptized

Tiffany Hall  
Jax Hardy  
Madison Marshall  
Sydney Marshall

Chris McKinney  
Shannon Wildey  
Chloe Wilkin  
Paeton Wooden

### For Baptism

Sophia Bramlett  
Ben Buckner

Valery Jean  
Rachael Keith

### From Other Fellowships

Alexander Bramlett  
Isaac Chavez  
Caroline Koontz  
Jacquelyn LePori  
Michelle McMichael  
Kema Newton

Bobby Paulk  
Nicole Rogers  
Selena Sanchez  
Anthony Williams  
DaRhonda Williams

### Salvation in Christ

Cesar Fernandez  
Yazmin Fernandez

### Statement

Brandy Gum



## BIRTHS

- Mike & Kathryn Brown in the birth of their son, Austin Michael Brown.



## SYMPATHIES

- Kyle & Renee Johnson in the loss of her grandmother. Survivors: Lucy and Aaron Johnson, great grandchildren.
- Manuel (Manny) & Mary Adame (Deacon) in the loss of his father.



## ATTENDANCE AUG 10, 2014

Life Bible Study	4,459
Mission Bible Study	251
<b>Total Bible Study</b>	<b>4,710</b>

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