

TELL YOUR STORY

REAL LIFE.
PEOPLE.

TELL YOUR STORY — PART 1: STORYTELLERS

Jul 19, 2015 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Revelation 12:10–12 & Mark 5:16–20

► Storytellers desire to _____ because they were _____ by Jesus.

• Who holds the pen? _____

► Storytellers tell _____ even to those who initially don't want to hear it.

• Pray and trust God. *Psalms 37:7–9*

• Love God, then people. *Matthew 10:37–38*

► The story of Jesus to us is always _____ and _____.

Isaiah 30:18; 1 Peter 2:10

• The chapter of your story you like the _____ God may use the _____.

More information related to the Supreme Court's decision:

- <http://ERLC.com/HereWeStand> — a statement signed by Pastor Gregg and others
- <http://hfb.cta.gs/SCOTUS> — *Christianity Today* article, "Here's What Supreme Court Says about Same-Sex Marriage and Religious Freedom"

Excerpt from Houston's First's Bylaws:

"The church believes that the term 'marriage' has only one meaning, which is marriage sanctioned by God, joining one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture."

Excerpt from Houston's First's statement of faith, The Baptist Faith and Message:

"Marriage is the uniting of one man and one woman in covenant commitment for a lifetime."

WEEK AT A GLANCE



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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ATTENDANCE JUL 12, 2015

Life Bible Study (all campuses)	4,501
Mission Bible Study	135
Total Bible Study	4,636

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

During worship services at The Loop Campus, complimentary devices may be checked out from the Receptionist Desk in the Main Foyer.



Week ending Jul 12, 2015

First-time givers 1,051

Total number of givers 48

Great Commission Giving total \$362,786

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



DECISIONS JUL 12, 2015

From Other Fellowships

Catherine Edwards

Tripp Edwards

Doris Graham

Stephen Graham

Derek Hoffpauir

Fred Keys

Rose Keys

Charity Tolbert

For Baptism

Kristina Hoffpauir

Brad Tolbert

Statement

Leigh Martin

Whitney Martin

Andrea Say



BIRTHS

- Elizabeth & Andrew Smith in the birth of their son, Micah Emmitt. Suzanne & Frank Sobol, grandparents. Victoria Sobol, aunt. Lynda Spinks, great aunt.
- James & Hannah Lucas in the birth of their son, James, Jr.
- Ryan & Becca McPhetridge in the birth of their son, Colin Harmon.



SYMPATHIES

- Family and friends in the loss of JoAnne Buckner.
- Family and friends in the loss of Markie Key.
- Family and friends in the loss of Mrs. Joan Gandy. Bill & Madalyn Sykes in the loss of her mother. Joe & Julie Gandy in the loss of his mother. Numerous grandchildren in the loss of their grandmother.

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