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St. Timothy Newsletter

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Back to School Supply Drive

Each year, St. Timothy sponsors a school supply drive for the benefit of Manantiales de Vida and LINC Houston. A student's excitement over supplies turns into an eagerness for the first day of school, and when kids are excited about learning, it can change the entire trajectory of their lives! Please bring donations to the Gathering Area through August 11th.

What's on school supply lists?

Manila paper (9x12 and 12x18)
Notebook paper (wide ruled)
Composition and Spiral notebooks (wide ruled)
Construction paper
Laminated pocket folders with fasteners
Copy paper (ream)
#2 pencils (lots!)
Red pencils
Red, Blue and Black pens
Crayons (8 and 24 count)
Dry-erase markers
Colored pencils

Highlighters (upper grades)
Glue & Glue sticks
Erasers (pink)
Ruler
Scissors
Pencil bag
Markers
Clear Backpacks and lunch kits
Boxes of facial tissues
Bradded folders
Five subject notebooks
Color dividers

Our Goal:
Basic school
supplies for
300 children

Blessings of Teachers, School Staffers and Students

The "Back to School" time of year is upon us! Teachers, staff, and students are all preparing to head back to their campus' for another year filled with promise. We know that the Bible tells us to bring all things to God with praise and thanksgiving. That's what we will do!

August 11th we will pray for all our Bright Beginner teachers, students and staff who will begin the new school year on August 12.

August 18th we will pray for public and private school teachers, administrators, staff and students returning to school.

August 25th we will pray for Hancock Elementary, our adopted neighborhood school, joined by Lissa Archuletta, the principal at Hancock.

Please plan to join us in prayer on these Sundays and every day that God will continue to use us to Follow Jesus and Make a Difference.

A PRAYER FOR OUR TEACHERS

DEAR GOD,
THANK YOU FOR THE AMAZING TEACHERS
WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES
TO SERVE OUR CHILDREN.
AS THEY PREPARE FOR THE NEW YEAR,
FILL THEM WITH STRENGTH TO LEAD,
GRACE TO GUIDE AND HOPE TO THRIVE
IN THEIR CLASSROOM.
BLESS THEM BEYOND MEASURE
FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS
TO POUR INTO THE NEXT
GENERATION THROUGH EDUCATION. AMEN

A PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS

DEAR GOD,
THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF
EDUCATION IN EVERY FORM.
AS OUR CHILDREN PREPARE TO START A NEW YEAR
MAY CONFIDENCE BE THEIR FOUNDATION,
MAY GRACE BE THEIR GUIDE AND
MAY HOPE BE THEIR COMPASS TOWARD A BRIGHT FUTURE.
I PRAY THEY WOULD HAVE EYES TO SEE
THE NEEDS OF THOSE AROUND THEM
AND A HEART TO LOVE WELL.
MAY THEY FACE EACH DAY WITH POSITIVITY
KNOWING THAT NO MATTER
WHAT COMES THEIR WAY,
THEY DO NOT HAVE TO FACE IT ALONE. AMEN



enhance the lives of 120 of our Houston neighbors. Apologies to all of you who had extended wait times. The team was short not only a worker but also a whole blood station. They were no happier than you about the situation and I'll make every possible effort to see this does not happen again. Our **next drive will be September 8th**. I hope you'll be willing to give the Gift of Life! - Ann Dulevitz

Many thanks to the 40 willing donors who were screened at our July blood drive. 40 units of blood was provided - enough to

NEW CHAIRS ARE ORDERED.

We are aware that many of the chairs in the Life Center are uncomfortable and problematic for people with lower back issues. 200 new chairs have been ordered and should arrive in a few weeks. We want all of our worshipers to have good seating, and as budget allows, we will order more in the future. We apologize for any inconvenience.

**MEET THE
TEACHER**

**Bright Beginner
Meet the Teacher
Friday, August 9th
6:00-8:00pm**

Sr. High Missionaries return from Work Camp in Savannah, Georgia

A simple "thank you" does not suffice for all of the prayers and support our congregation showed to the high school students for this year's trip to Savannah, Georgia! A special thank you to Elaine, Kathryn, Lacey, Sheri, Elaine, Austin, Mark and Phil for your willingness to drive long hours, endure uncomfortable sleeping arrangements and consume a lot of fast food. You are great examples of Christian service and missional work to these students! To the congregation of St. Timothy, your support of fundraisers and prayers lifted up on our behalf are major factors in these trips being successful, and this year was no different! The time spent in the vans, adventures in other cities and sweating together in service to the residents leaves a lasting impact on all those who go on these trips! So once again thank you! We look forward to continuing to share in these awesome ministry moments!



JOY Group Invites everyone 50 years and better

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Texas Prison Museum and Veterans Museum
and Lunch at McKenzie's BBQ

Cost \$10 + lunch. Meet at St. Timothy at 9am and return around 4pm.

Deadline to RSVP is Sunday, September 8th or until the bus is full.

Questions? Call Georgia (281-397-6545) or call/text Janet (281-923-3897)

Registration forms are available at the Welcome desk.



Service of Prayer and Healing

**Thursday, August 8th at 7pm
in the Sanctuary**



**Mid-week PIT
STOP re-ZOOMS
Wednesday,
September 11th!**

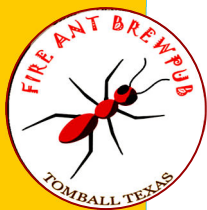
Come for dinner, Adult Bible Studies, Student Bible study, choir rehearsals, youth activities, and childcare from 5:45-8:00pm.

St. Timothy is excited to welcome Elizabeth Leitko as our new Director of Discipleship.

St. Timothy proudly announces Elizabeth Leitko as our new Director of Discipleship. Elizabeth joined our staff on Sunday, July 28. She is highly gifted and passionate about missions, meeting and connecting people and building relationships. Elizabeth will oversee our new member ministry, our small group ministry, local and overseas missions, women's ministry, and assist with other areas of spiritual growth and discipleship. Please see Elizabeth's personal biography below:



I have been a part of the church since I was born; growing up Baptist and then joining the Lutheran Church after marriage. My parents joined my aunt and uncle when I was 4 and planted a church close to our home. It was a family affair. My mom played the piano, my dad led the singing, and my uncle preached. Our entire life was church. It was my place of comfort - it was my home. I remember the moment I realized I desperately needed Jesus and to do nothing more than follow Him. I spent many summers on mission trips, youth conferences and discipleship camps. I met my husband, Mark, in high school. We dated for four years and have been married for twelve. After high school I graduated from the University of Houston - majoring in Elementary Education, and taught for twelve years. Mark and I have 2 boys, Luke (10) and Beau (7). My personal motto is "Life is Hard, but God is so very Faithful". I wish I could say that everything in my life has been easy street, but like most people's lives, that's not how it goes. I have had many hills and valleys in my short time on earth and would like to think that each valley has made the hill that much sweeter. It is my personal desire to use what is in my hand, my talents and my gifts, to serve God, the people of St. Timothy, and the community, To Follow Jesus and Make a Difference. I have a passion for connecting people, missions, teaching, listening, and leading.



Men's Ministry invites EVERYONE to join them at Fire Ant Brewery in Tomball on Sunday, August 18th starting at 4pm. Fun for the whole family! Located at 308 Market St., 77375

Lutherans For Life Presentation September 1st at 9:30am with Dr. Barbara Geistfeld *Life-Gift From God*



Lutherans For Life

Lutherans For Life (LFL) is so much more than an organization that produces facts and figures and keeps people informed on the latest life related news and political maneuverings. LFL is about speaking the truth of life—about **Bringing Good News to Life**. LFL applies the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the life issues, making Jesus known as the Son of God and Savior of all who can help and *make a difference* in people's lives.

The focus of Lutherans For Life is two-fold. First, we desire to say very clearly that death is not an acceptable, God-pleasing way to deal with the problems of life. Second, we desire to say very clearly that there is a better way. We ground both of these in the truth of God's holy Word. His Word defines what is not acceptable. His Word points to a better way, He who is *The Way*, Jesus Christ.

All ages are invited to attend this presentation during our Sunday School hour. Covering human conception to different life issues to natural death. The theme is that life is a gift from God and is precious in His sight. Barbara helps create Life Teams that will help guide the congregation in this arena as the issues are so many and so complex!

Learn more at: www.lutheransforlife.org

Who are Lutherans For Life? Here are a few basics:

Our Mission: *Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life.*

Our Vision: *Every Lutheran, both individually and in community, upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same.*

Lutherans For Life believes that every human life—from conception to natural death regardless of physical or mental challenges or condition of dependence—is precious in God's sight.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

COME OUT AND ENJOY AN ASTROS GAME!

Jr. High

Tuesday, August 6th
Astros vs. Rockies

@ 7:10 PM – Dollar Dog Night



Sr. High

Friday, August 23rd
Astros vs. Angels

@ 7:10 PM – Firework Friday

Sign-up in youth room or email Dan@STLHouston.org

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 7TH – SR. HIGH SIX FLAGS

SEPTEMBER 23RD – SR. HIGH FALL
FUEL KICK-OFF COOK-OUT
AND COLOR WAR

SEPTEMBER 21ST – JR. HIGH GLOW
IN THE DARK GAMES

Children's Ministry

WELCOME!

to Our Church Party!

(A milestone ministry event)

2nd graders and their parents

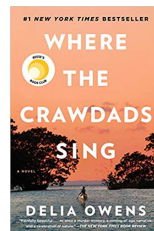
are invited to have lunch and party!

Join us August 11th after the
10:45 service.

RSVP to Caroline@STLHouston.org

Women's Ministry

The Women's Book of the Month Club is meeting at 2 PM, August 21st, in the Adult Ed building Rm 104 to discuss this month's book *Where The Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens.



Women's Fall Retreat:

*Explore God's Love and Wonder
at WonderFULL World*

September 20-22, 2019 (Fri-Sun)

Camp Allen in Navasota, TX

Register in the Gathering Area or on our website:

www.STLHouston.org/Womens-Ministry

Register by August 4 = Cost is \$200;

Register after August 4 = \$215

New Pay Later feature available at sign-up.

Cost includes room, meals, and retreat shirt.

Roommate requests, special dietary,

room needs and scholarships available,

If you are willing to help on a retreat team,
please contact Laura! Questions or more info:

email Laura@STLHouston.org

**ZONE
45**

GLOWZONE

CALLING ALL 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS:

TUES. AUGUST 6TH -- If you're going into
4th or 5th grade join us at **GLOWZONE**

Willowbrook Tuesday, 8/6 at **6:15-8:15pm**

for a laser maze, bazooka ball, a ninja
course and pizza. \$10/kid. Meet at

13150 Breton Ridge St. Houston, 77070



Heart for Texas continues to help rebuild homes from Hurricane Harvey. **There is an opportunity to deliver and assemble new furniture in peoples homes on Saturday, August 17th.** Contact Sheri Esparza for more information: 832-797-9270 / sheri1210@sbcglobal.net

MEN'S MINISTRY

Saturday Morning Men's Study - start the weekend getting closer to God with an in depth discussion of Revelation in the Office Conference Rm at 7:00 AM.



Join the Men of St. Timothy at Willie's Icehouse (249/Cypresswood) Tuesday, **August 13th** at 6:45 PM for food and beverages and to plan events.



Serving as God's hands and feet.

Report from Coreluv Mission Trip July 14-20, 2019 - Nancy Hartman: First, we want to thank our St. Timothy family for your many prayers and support! Our mission trip to the Coreluv Myan campus was amazing! We saw the provision and leading of the Lord in so many ways. Our team of 17 was blessed to have 6-8 Coreluv summer interns join us, including our own Allie Fleischhauer – who mentored and led the first-time interns. A special joy!

The team split into two groups. Our smaller teacher team planned and presented a seminar about handling classroom behavior using Love & Logic to 30 teachers from the Coreluv Myan School. The teachers were excited to learn new ways to reach their students using empathy, enforceable statements, and problem-solving strategies – all valuable skills as the students become responsible leaders for change in their Haitian communities.

The science team was busy also! The first day was devoted to an interactive Bible lesson for the kids, followed by an introduction of the Science Camp. The children were amazed and excited as they watched the creation of “Elephant Toothpaste” oozing out of the beaker! They also loved the 72 colorful t-shirts with the science camp logo and their name on the back that Noah Jurischk designed and raised the \$\$ to purchase. Thank you Noah!!

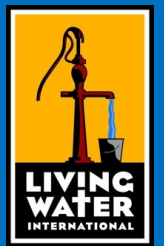
The next two days, the science team presented a hands-on science camp for younger and older children - even some of the community children who heard about the fun joined in! Activities included building challenges with tubing/ramps or toothpicks and playdough, exploring magnetic properties, sprouting seeds, creating balloon cars and kites, and much more! The hot days ended with water games. All activities added up to sparking interest in science – and loads of fun!

Throughout the trip, God led and blessed our relationships – as we served as His hands and feet to our Haitian brothers, sisters, and children. We returned knowing we had received His “double portion of blessing!” Hallelujah!



“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” John 4:13-15

On July 7th, Bob Sawicki, Bruce Jackson, Jordan Cline, Dora Aschenbeck and Lori Davis went to El Salvador to serve with Living Water International. Our mission was to bring Living Water through sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ and fresh clean water to a community in the San Vicente Region of El Salvador. Our team was joined by a family from Missouri and together we served the Los Hiraetas community. This community has had many challenges in their area and they were thirsty for the Gospel and for clean water.



The hygiene team spent the week teaching Bible lessons and hygiene lessons to the children and women of the community. After going to school all morning, the children eagerly joined us to spend the afternoon learning about Jesus. They were thirsty for the Gospel!

The drill team joined the men of the community to start a drill site near an old reservoir which the people were using for their current water supply. The water was not clean and it was not safe to drink. San Vicente is a new drilling region for Living Water and the drill team faced some unknowns with the geography. The first day we hit water and there was celebration and tears of joy! Since the community is large and growing, the drill team needed to go deeper to provide a water supply that will meet the needs of the people. While we found water, we hit clay which slowed the water flow to less than 2 gallons a minute. We needed a flow of at least 5 gallons for a hand pump. On Thursday afternoon a decision was made to move to a new drill site. Our hearts were heavy because we knew our time in the community was running out and we had hoped to bring the well in before we left. It was a good reminder for everyone that the well is God's well and it is all on HIS timing. The team continued to work and pray. On Friday morning when we returned to say goodbye, we went to the original drill site and found out that they were able to get an increase in flow. This meant that the community would now possibly be able to have 2 wells. God is good all the time and his timing is always perfect!!

MUSIC MINISTRY



St. Timothy Choir kickoff — Join us on **September 4th from 7-8:30 PM for the St. Timothy Choir kickoff event.** St. Timothy Choir is our adult (high school age+) vocal choir. This group will **meet regularly during Pit Stop from 7-8 PM.** This event will give you notes for music for the fall, go over the fall schedule and events, giving an opportunity to fellowship with one another (with food and drinks!) and there will be lots of fun! We'll sing and do a few other things, as well!

Voices in Bronze kickoff — Come and join us on **September 3rd from 7-8:30 PM** for Voices in Bronze kickoff event. Voices in Bronze is our adult (high school age and older) handbell choir. This event will be to preview music for the fall, go over the fall schedule, spend time in fellowship with one another (food and drinks provided!) and having lots of fun! Come and join us, whether you've played handbells for 30 years, haven't played in 30 years or never rang a bell before! **Will meet on Tuesdays at 7-8 PM.**

FREE (One-Day) Handbell Camp for 5th-8th graders.

Saturday, August 24th 9-11 AM

Students will be introduced to handbells, how they work, and how much fun playing them can be! **We are starting a 5th-8th grade Handbell choir this fall that will rehearse Sunday afternoons.** Beginning Sunday, September 8th, rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons and time is still being determined. If you would like more information, please email Craig Harmann. Sign-up today at www.STLHouston.org/2019-handbell-camp



PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS - If you are looking for private **piano, voice, trumpet, guitar or beginning violin lessons (for ages 5 through adult)**, we are now enrolling new students for the St. Timothy Music Academy! Go to www.STLHouston.org/music-lessons and the information will be there for you to download. Return it to Craig Harmann either physically or digitally and you will get scheduled!



Joyful Noise (Pre-K through 1st grade choir)

Students in Pre-K through 1st grade will have the opportunity to have a time for choir on Wednesday nights from 6:15-6:45 in room 201. This will be an opportunity to connect with the songs the children sing in Sunday School with more musical depth, using rhythm instruments, Orff instruments, games and activities. Rehearsals begin on September 11th.

2nd-4th Grade Choir

Students in 2nd-4th grade will have the opportunity to have a time for choir on Wednesday nights from 6:15-6:45 in room 202. The students will also connect with songs in Sunday School, as well as learning new songs, using rhythm instruments, Orff instruments, games and other activities. Rehearsals begin on September 11th.

For more information about Music Ministry events contact Craig Harmann at Craig@STLHouston.org

Adult Bible Classes Sundays at 9:30am through August 25th

The Truth Project – This video series is a unique Christian worldview curriculum specifically designed as an excellent starting point for looking at life from a biblical perspective. Each lesson discusses in great detail the relevance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life. *Discussion led by pastors and various leaders in Room 201*



Daniel – About 700 years before John was given the Revelation about the history of this earth from beginning to end and beyond, the Prophet Daniel was given a detailed history as well. Over 75% of the symbols used in the Revelation come from the Book of Daniel. The details in Daniel include the predicted time of Jesus' ministry, rejection of the Jews, and His crucifixion. Historical figures like King Cyrus, Julius Caesar, Cleopatra are all predicted in Daniel. Come and see history unfold precisely as God predicted. *Led by John Rohan in Room 102/103*



Men are Like Waffles, Women are Like Spaghetti - Marriage class – This class will help you understand your mate like never before, improving your skills in communication and resolving conflict. Humor is woven into practical and Biblical skills for relationships. *Led by Heather Harmann in Room 101*



August Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st

Jeff and Katie Barckholtz*
Judy and Lynn Mobley*
Bobby and Rhonda Pope*

2nd

Marilyn and Elmer Dickerson*
Tiffany Gilley
Milissa Grace
Caroline Gray
Harriet Hamblin

3rd

Nancy Rohan

4th

James Knight
Greg and Teri Weiss*

5th

Clay Currin
Evelyn Friedrichs
Linkyn Odinga
Marshall Preslar

6th

Patrick and Sarah Blake*
Donna and Keith Casey*
Lori Davis
Tammy and Jack Edwards*
Georgeine Foster
Roselyn and Steve Henze*
Kristi Knebel
Paige Williams
Lorrayne Winoske

7th

Renee Abrams
Lisa and Alan Aschenbeck*
Chance Marchant
Ava Phillips
Cameron Spurgeon
Michael Szalkowski
Easton Teeters

8th

Scott Coleman

9th

Gunner Ashford
Marcos Candanedo
Kathy and Ted Fisher*
Dallas Holloway
Judy and Bob Kuhlmann*
Joseph McManners
Will Scoble
Greg and Laura Shivok*

10th

Grace Kroemer
Elizabeth Horn
Sarah Terpstra

11th

Kent and Karen Womack*

12th

Lauren Davis
Shannon Gorney

13th

Carl Caldwell
Shelby Tauaese

14th

Nancy and Bob Hartman*
Don Jeanes
Judy Kueck
Beverly Londergan
Camden Rose

15th

Dora Aschenbeck
Noel Atzmler
Laura and Dale Mellencamp*

16th

Stacie Brannon
Mary Canada
Gayle Chandler
Sandra and James Feagans*
Laura Krolow

17th

Taylor Bryan
Deborah and Marcos Candanedo*
Alison and Bill Dietrich*
Carol and Larry Olejnik*
Paul and Kristina Otterstrom*

18th

Bruce Jackson
Rossemay and Ray Keller*
Rebecca and Richard Leslie*
Susie and Robert Murray*
Mike Steele
Nancy Swisher

19th

Irene and Richard Drews*
Kelly and August Endsley*
Evelyn Gorney
Cyndie Green
Penny McFarlane

21st

Tom and Janet Wenckens*

22nd

Ian Honeycutt
Leah Jurischk
Peter Suh
John and Jane Ullrich*

23rd

Sarah Barrow
Halle Erickson
Rick and Cecilia Gravesmill*
Brent Neal

24th

Ruth and Ray Holter*

25th

Corey Reinhardt
Don and Patty Sanderson*

26th

Gayle and Chuck Chandler*
Christian Schamerhorn
Presley Whitten

27th

Tim and Jan Heine*
Stacey Pelton
Ashley and Steven Rose*
Kenneth Stall
Wendy Williams

28th

Michael Doss
Braxton Flowers
Mallory Grooms
Jessica Jackson
Kathy and Gary Kolkhorst*
Crystal and Christopher McFarlane*
Kara Meyer

29th

Carl and Darlene Caldwell*
Roger Gautt
Margo Frederking
Courtney Gonzales
Eddie and Nancy Payne*

30th

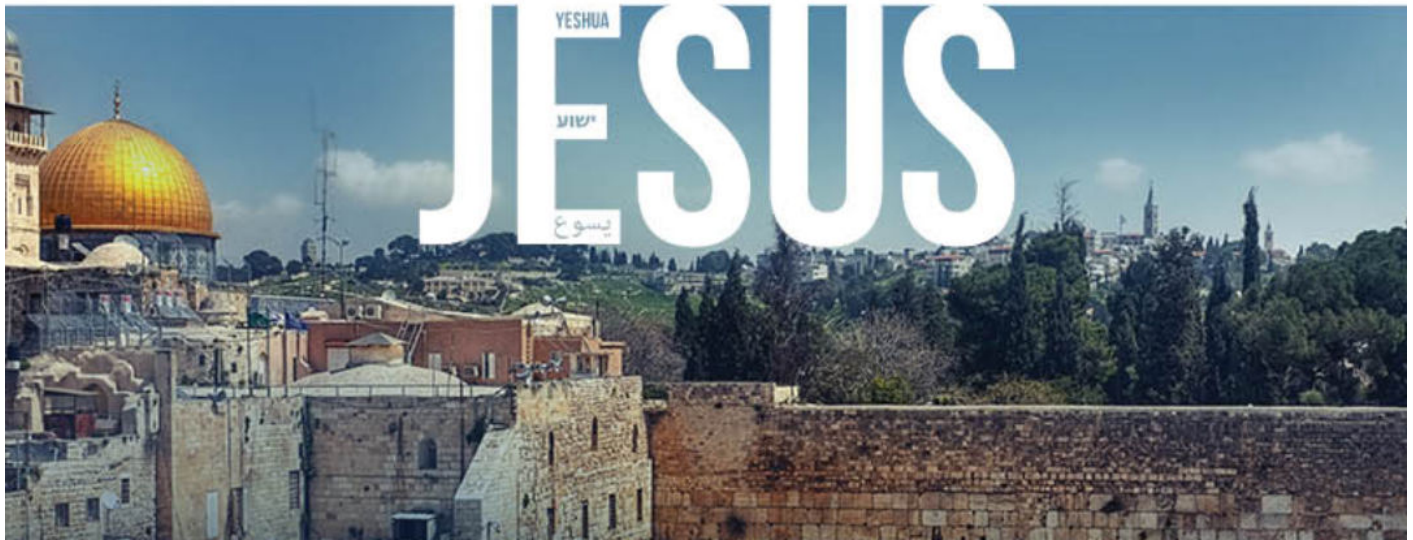
Shazia Miller
Bobby Dodson
Jack Edwards
Olivia Honeycutt
Carla Munday
Barbara and Herb Perlich*
Don Sanderson
Jeff and Jeri Volk*
Marshall Wickman

31st

Lemia Laval
Patrick Parsons
Cathy Spangler



BECAUSE THE BEST WAY TO BLESS ISRAEL IS WITH



REGISTER NOW!

ONE FOR ISRAEL is a ministry initiative of native-born Israelis (Jews & Arabs one in Christ) on the forefront of media evangelism, proclaiming salvation in Jesus to Israel, raising up leaders and equipping them with the tools they need to transform Israel with the Gospel of Messiah!

ONE FOR ISRAEL carries a global impact in fulfilling the Great Commission.

During this event we will share the vision and ministry of ONE FOR ISRAEL (www.oneforisrael.org).

Houston ONE FOR ISRAEL Banquet

Because the best way to bless Israel is with Jesus

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Doors Open: 5:00 PM

Dinner: 5:30-8:30 PM

DoubleTree By Hilton, Houston Intercontinental Airport

15747 John F Kennedy Blvd. Houston, TX 77032

TICKET-REQUIRED EVENT

If you would like to attend and sit at a St. Timothy table contact Bruce and Carol Erickson (832.349.2258)

QUESTIONS? Contact Gina Root: 817-771-5524

Financial Report

	June			Expenses	Year-To-Date		
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>		<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>
Church	\$173,468	\$131,052	\$42,416		\$800,447	\$792,260	\$8,187
Bright Beginners	\$90,672	\$92,279	(\$1,607)		\$567,211	\$537,358	\$29,853
Total	\$264,140	\$223,331	\$40,809		\$1,367,658	\$1,329,618	\$38,040



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