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Iraqi Christians appeal for religious freedom

VATICAN CITY (RNS)—Iraq's Christian patriarchs and bishops have appealed for full religious, social and political freedom for the Christian descendants of the prophet Abraham in Iraq's new regime.

The Vatican issued the text of a joint statement made in Baghdad by leaders of the Chaldean, Assyrian, Syrian, Armenian, Greek and Latin rite churches in Iraq, where Muslims make up 90 percent of the population of 23 million.

The leaders said they hoped that “all the Iraqi people, who have known a long history marked by conflicts and successes, may live without distinction of religion or race in liberty, justice and respect in inter-religious and multiethnic coexistence.”

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LifeWay Family Bible Series for June 1

An urgent summons for evangelistic field hands

Matthew 9:35-38; Romans 10:14-15; 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

By Tim Owens

First Baptist Church, Bryan

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Ministers' families not perfect, Miley says

By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

SPICEWOOD-Ministers' wives need to overcome the pressure of perfection and strive for excellence in their lives, according to author Jeanie Miley.

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Pastors' wives know joy and pain

By Jo Gray

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Wanted: Adult female to serve without pay. Must be able to function without complaint as secretary, music director, nursery worker, janitor, auxiliary president and fund-raiser. On call 24 hours a day. Cooking abilities a plus. Good sense of humor helpful.

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Loss of 43 missionaries in a day called IMB record

By Mark Wingfield

Managing Editor

The loss of 43 missionaries—including [13 who were fired](#)—represents the largest mass exodus in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention's

International Mission Board.

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For her birthday, Texas-born missionary got a pink slip from the IMB

By Mark Wingfield

Managing Editor

As missionary Susie Dixon celebrated her birthday in Spain May 7, trustees of the International Mission Board were wrapping an unusual present for her—a termination notice.

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WORSHIP WITNESS:

Texas songwriter Chris Tomlin

By Leann Callaway

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As Chris Tomlin travels across the country leading thousands of people in worship, he remains true to his Texas Baptist roots.

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Wayland keeps tuition rate steady

PLAINVIEW-Wayland Baptist University trustees have frozen tuition rates at the Plainview campus through spring 2004.

They retained the tuition rate of \$270 per semester hour for undergraduate courses and \$275 per hour for graduate courses.

The decision to forego an increase was based on consideration of the region's economy, said President Paul Armes. "We live in an area that has faced more than its share of economic struggles in recent years, and our recommendation reflected consideration of that."

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Massive collegiate worship event coming to North Texas

By Leann Callaway

Special to the Standard

What happens when a generation comes together to pray, worship, and fuel their fire for Christ?

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Singles urged to be people of God

By Becky Bridges

Texas Baptist Communications

PASADENA-Like the first Old Testament patriarch of Israel, Christians

are called out to become part of a new family. And that may mean leaving blood relations behind, according to Mike Stroope, professor of Christian missions at Baylor University's Truett Seminary.

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Tamez nominated for Convencion

By Marv Knox

Editor

FORT WORTH — David Tamez, pastor of Primera Iglesia Bautista in Tyler since 1997, will be nominated as president of the Hispanic Baptist Convention of Texas when it meets in San Antonio next month.

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Greenville Hispanic church cultivates a seedbed of outreach by training

By Ken Camp

Texas Baptist Communications

GREENVILLE-Jose Amaya views Iglesia Bautista Ridgecrest as a seedbed, a place where new believers can be nurtured, nourished and then transplanted to other places for ministry.