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I thought I was ready to be put out to pasture. I thought I was on the downhill side of my life. I thought I could retire the rest of those brain cells that had been misfiring for years now.

I was wrong.

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WACO—Although he had intended to retire at the end of the current academic year, Paul Powell will stay on as dean of Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary.

Baylor President Robert Sloan announced Powell's decision Dec. 5.

Powell came to the post in February 2001 with a commitment to serve up to three years.

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Even Baptists light a candle for Advent

By Christina Denny

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS)-Evangelical Christians, including Baptists, are increasingly jumping on the Advent bandwagon, according to an Oklahoma man who provides educational resources for observing the church year.

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Advent wreath

Perhaps the most popular Advent institution, the Advent wreath is a tradition shared by Catholics and Protestants. Made of evergreens to symbolize eternal life in Christ, the wreath has four candles that count down the four Sundays until Christmas. An additional candle is lit each week-traditionally three purple candles and one pink candle, lit on the third Sunday of Advent. A fifth white candle may be used in the center to represent Jesus.

Liturgical colors

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Appointments

Shad and **Michelle Spannagel** recently were appointed as apprentice missionaries to Fulani people of West Africa as church starters. Both are graduates of Hardin-Simmons University. She is the daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries **Marvin** and **La-Nette Thompson**, currently serving in Mali. The couple has a daughter, **Hannah**, who will celebrate her first birthday next month.



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WACO-Baylor University has named a national steering committee for its proposed George W. Bush Presidential Library Center.

The committee's primary objectives are to oversee the university's formal presidential library planning committee and to direct fund-raising efforts for the library.

While the White House has not announced any decision on the location of the future presidential library, Baylor and Southern Methodist University are widely considered top contenders. The library of the current president's father, George Bush, is located at Texas A&M University in College Station.

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Waco as a
location,
Robert Sloan
noted that 80
percent of the
state's
population
lives within
200 miles of
Baylor.**

Baylor Christmas program airing_120803

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