

# Around the State\_112403

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### Appointments

Eleven missionaries with Texas ties have been appointed by the North American Mission Board:

- ♦ **Joe Buck**, who considers San Antonio his hometown, was appointed as a two-year resort missionary in Jackson Hole, Wy. He previously was a counselor for Laity Lodge in Leakey.
- ♦ **James** and **Claire Collins** serve in Reno, Nev., where he is a church starter. He is a Howard Payne University graduate, and she is a University of Texas graduate. They previously served four years as missionaries in Mexico with the International Mission Board. They have three children, **James, Marissa** and **Eleanor**.
- ♦ **Kristi Dodd** was appointed as a two-year multihousing church-starting missionary in Odessa. She works with Mission Odessa, a ministry of First Church there that includes apartment ministry, jail ministry and other outreach efforts.
- ♦ **John** and **Angela Herrington** serve in Omaha, Neb., where he is a church starter. A Texas native, he previously was pastor of Lakepointe Community Church in Conroe and was pastor of a Nebraska church for 13

years. She also is a Texas native and a graduate of Baylor University. She was an instructor at Montgomery County Community College in Conroe, a lecturer at the University of Nebraska and a public school teacher in Arlington. They have four children, **Heath, Emily, Seth and Megan**.

- ◆ **Michelle Kendrick** is a two-year missionary at the Baptist Center in Houston.
- ◆ **Heather Jo McIver** is a two-year collegiate evangelism missionary in Syracuse, N.Y. She grew up in Spring and is a graduate of Dallas Baptist University.
- ◆ **Dominic Menard**, a Texas native, is the collegiate evangelism missionary in Carbondale, Ill. He previously was a youth minister in Baytown.
- ◆ **Jamie Morgan** works in collegiate and resort ministry in Ocean City, Md. A two-year missionary, she considers Glenn Heights her hometown. She previously was a youth intern at Southwest Church in DeSoto. She also has served as a student missionary in Keller, Australia and Malaysia.
- ◆ **Derek Yan**, who considers Grand Prairie his hometown, is associate pastor of Solid Rock Fellowship, a new church in Edmonds, Wash. He previously was a pastoral intern at Rosen Heights Church in Fort Worth.

## **Anniversaries**

- ◆ **Stephen Bailiff**, fifth as youth minister at First Church in Navasota.
- ◆ **Robert Sea**, 10th as pastor of Chinese Church in Lubbock, Nov. 1.
- ◆ **Domingo Chapa**, fifth as pastor of Getsemani Church in Tahoka, Nov. 6.

- ♦ **S.W. Keeton**, 10th as pastor of MacKenzie Terrace Church in Lubbock, Nov. 28.

## Death

- ♦ **Joseph Underwood**, 86, Oct. 15, in Richmond, Va. Born in Rising Star, he began preaching at age 15 and was ordained as a minister at 18. He began his vocational ministry at a local country church while a student at Baylor University. He and his wife, Mary Lea, were appointed as missionaries to Brazil in 1943 by the Foreign Mission Board. He resigned his appointment in 1953 to become the pastor of a New Mexico church and later worked in the offices of the state convention there. After six years, he moved to Richmond, Va., to serve as a consultant in evangelism and church development with the mission board for more than 20 years. He retired in 1981. He is survived by his wife; sons, Wyatt, William and Charles; daughter, Judy Webb; brother, W.R.; sister, Elizabeth McAnelly; and seven grandchildren.

## Ordained

- ♦ **Donald Sheffield** to the ministry at Friendship Church in Doddridge.
- ♦ **Uli Baumert, Mike Causey** and **Steven Graf** as deacons at Windsor Park Church in DeSoto.
- ♦ **Curtis Guidry** and **Terry McDaniel** as deacons at Memorial Church in Baytown.

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