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Religion News Service

NEW YORK (RNS)—A \$30,000 deal to bring a glitzy United Methodist ad campaign to the heart of Times Square has been rejected because of its religious content.

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FORT WORTH-For the second time, Charles Stanley has been quoted in the secular press disagreeing with the Southern Baptist Convention's position on women. And for the second time, he contends he was misquoted.

New Orleans trustees reject request to name SBC 'sole member' of corporation_102003

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NEW ORLEANS-Trustees of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary unanimously rejected a request by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee to name the SBC the "sole member" of the seminary's

corporation.

All other SBC entities have acceded to the request, which was intended to prevent the possibility of a seminary or mission board ever declaring its independence from the national convention.

New Orleans Seminary President Chuck Kelley voiced strong opposition to the request on grounds of Baptist polity, suggesting such a change would result in a form of Baptist "connectionalism" rather than traditional Baptist autonomy.

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Trustees of the Southern Baptist Convention's North American Mission Board has approved a new cooperative agreement with the Baptist General

Convention of Texas.

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ROCK HILL, S.C.-When churches lose members, giving to benevolent causes usually takes a disproportionate hit in budget cutting, a new study documents.

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WACO—A second year of missed enrollment goals has led to a \$9 million cut in operating expenses at Baylor University.

Eight from El Dorado church killed in bus crash_102003

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Eldorado mourns church bus crash

By Ken Camp

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ELDORADO-A church bus accident in eastern Louisiana claimed eight lives, left seven passengers hospitalized and broke 2,000 hearts.

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CORSICANA-Mark Chadwick loves his wife, but she needs surgery they can't afford. And that hurts them both.

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WASHINGTON (ABP)-In a move that surprised some observers, the U.S. Supreme Court agreed Oct. 14 to hear a case involving the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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ROUND ROCK-Deborah Knapp has written a book for school children that she prays will give 60 seconds a day eternal consequences.

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WASHINGTON (ABP)-Members of a federal panel warn that religious freedom and other human rights remain imperiled in Afghanistan-even under a United States-backed government.

Members of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, reporting on an August visit to Kabul, said the U.S.-backed interim government is in danger of allowing the nation to return to the patterns of severe repression of religious freedom that characterized the Taliban's rule there. The Taliban was deposed by U.S.-led forces in 2001 for harboring

Osama bin Laden and other members of al-Qaeda.

Noting that the country was in the “crucial period” of preparing a proposal for a permanent constitution, the report said “there are indications ... that the gains for human rights achieved by the U.S.-led coalition's victory over the Taliban are in peril.”

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AMARILLO-Developers often say they want to create “heavenly” communities. Donna Myatt is working to make that a real possibility.