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The 16 new Wayland **Baptist** University graduates from Kenya pose with their professors and Wayland representatives Vaughn Ross and David Howle after commencement ceremonies July 19 on the campus of Kenya Baptist Theological College.

Wayland touches Africa through Kenya program

By Teresa Young

Wayland Baptist University

NAIROBI, Kenya-Simon Mwangi is not a typical Wayland Baptist University graduate.

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Big Daddy Weave got its start playing in car lots and Chinese buffets. Now the Christian band does national tours and will release a new album titled "Fields of Grace."

BIG DADDY WEAVE: Weaving a way

By Leann Callaway

Special to the Standard

Before they became successful recording artists, the musical group Big Daddy Weave grew accustomed to holding concerts at a variety of unique locations-ranging from used car lots to Chinese buffets.

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Whites paid to go to church

By Hannah Lodwick

Associated Baptist Press

SHREVEPORT, La. (ABP)-Looking to make some extra spending money? A pastor in Shreveport, La., is offering white people money to attend services at his mostly black 4,000-member church.

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News of religion, faith, missions, Bible study and Christian ministry among Texas Baptist churches, in the BGCT, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and around the world.

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LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for Aug. 10

Faith always has feet; deeds indicate devotion

James 2:14-26

By Jim Perkins

Madison Hills Baptist Church, San Antonio

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LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for Aug. 3

James offers relational and ethical guidance

James 1:19-2:4, 8

By Jim Perkins

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LifeWay Family Bible Series for Aug. 10

Flee temptation and avoid the places it prowls

Genesis 39:2-10, 19-23

By Tim Owens

First Baptist Church, Bryan

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LifeWay Family Bible Series for Aug. 3

God has a plan even when circumstances hide it

Genesis 37:3-8, 23-28, 34-36

By Tim Owens

First Baptist Church, Bryan

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Graduates of
the Bible
Institute for
Church
Planters,
drawn from
five Houstonarea
churches,
celebrate
with Director
Moises
Flores
(right).

In Houston, Flores has a flair for finding fishers of men

By Karen Simons

Union Baptist Association

HOUSTON-Moises Flores is preparing laity for ministry, following the model that drew him from work as a civil engineer in Mexico to a multitasking minister in Houston.

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Gay marriage question confronts more candidates

WASHINGTON (RNS)-Leaders in the Democratic race for president expressed commitment to homosexual-rights issues at a mid-summer forum, but most stopped short of endorsing gay marriage.

Speaking to the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay-rights organization, the seven Democratic presidential candidates who attended endorsed measures to prevent discrimination against gays.

But only three candidates-Al Sharpton, a minister from New York City; Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio; and former Sen. Carol Moseley Braun of Illinois-said they supported homosexual marriage. All three are considered longshots for the nomination.

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Graceview offers new perspective for special-needs families

By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

TOMBALL-Graceview Baptist Church is giving disabled people and their caregivers freedom to worship by offering them a little joy.

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Volunteers
put
together
20 storage
sheds for
Hispanic
Baptist
Theological
School.

HBTS volunteers make more storage

SAN ANTONIO-Forty volunteers from 10 churches spent the first week of June building 20 storage sheds at Hispanic Baptist Theological School.

The 8-by-10-foot sheds will be used by students living on campus and by the school to store seasonal items, donations to the Agape House clothing ministry, library materials and maintenance equipment.

The volunteers are part of a newly formed group called Lone Star Builders.



Volunteers pose amid a field of storage units they constructed on the campus of Hispanic Baptist
Theological School.