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MISSION IMPOSSIBLE: Baptist worker held in Russia

By Frank Brown

Religion News Service

MOSCOW (RNS)—Andrew Okhotin, a Baptist youth pastor, took the 10-hour flight from New York to Moscow in late March on a quick and joyful mission. He was going to deliver a \$48,000 cash gift from American believers to Russian Baptists, visit for a few days with relatives and then return to the United States and his studies at Harvard Divinity School.

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On the Move

Brad Davis has resigned as music minister at First Church in Hamilton.

- ♦ **Denise Deaton** to First Church in Covington as minister of music and students.
 - ♦ **Jami Demel** to Saint Paul's Church in Schulenberg as youth director.
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Israeli scholars say James ossuary a fake; others not so quick to quit

By Alexandra Alter

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS)-An inscription on an ancient stone burial box suggesting it held the remains of James, the brother of Jesus, is a fake, Israeli archaeological experts say.

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Patterson elected unanimously to lead Southwestern Seminary

By Toby Druin

Editor Emeritus

FORT WORTH—Pledging he would not “clean house” but would build a faculty committed to Southern Baptist Convention guidelines, including the 2000 Baptist Faith & Message, Paige Patterson was elected eighth president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary June 24.

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