## tugofwar

June 12, 2003

The 5,100 missionaries appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention's International Mission Board are being required to affirm the controversial Baptist Faith & Message 2000.

Articles are listed below.

#### Articles in 2003

- Loss of 43 missionaries in a day called IMB record (5/19/03)
- For her birthday, Texas-born missionary got a pink slip from the IMB (5/19/03)
- IMB trustees support Rankin's ultimatum by firing missionaries (5/12/03)
  - Missionaries respond: 'We are not guilty of misconduct' (4/28/03)
  - Sign by May 5 or be fired, Rankin tells missionaries (4/21/03)
- Missionary resigns IMB, says BF&M makes humans model for Jesus (4/7/03)
  - 139 missionaries have contacted BGCT (3/10/03)
  - Missions network board begind to define its task (3/3/03)
  - IMB reports record results; funding lagging behind sending (3/3/03)
- New management reopens Jibla hospital; some IMB workers remain (2/17/03)
- More missionaries getting 'the call,' but this one's from IMB executive (1/27/03)
  - Texas mission worker believes God spared him for a reason (1/27/03)
  - Three slain mission workers praised (1/13/03)
  - IMB hands over Yemen hospital to local Muslim control; future unclear

#### (1/13/03)

- Shootings, IMB policy leave future of Jibla hospital unclear (1/6/03)
- Murdered mission workers mourned by colleagues & Yemenis they served (1/6/03)

#### **Articles in 2002**

- Excerpts from missionary's teaching questioned by IMB (11/25/02)
- IMB's probe of fired missionary's text delves into Bible's most vexing issues (11/25/02)
- World missions network isn't first time for Texas innovation, Wade says (11/18/02)
  - Rankin says 'myths' about IMB are misguided (11/18/02)
  - Missionaries terminated by IMB; reasons disputed (11/18/02)
  - Messengers approve BGCT world missions network (11/18/02)
  - IMB: Non-signers can't stay indefinitely (10/28/02)
- Sign BF&M or don't return to field, furloughing missionaries told by IMB 10/21
- <u>Missions network, record budget to command convention spotlight</u> 10/21
  - Mission board offers compromise on covenant agreement 10/14
  - ◆ TOGETHER: Network can enable missions action 10/7
  - IMB transferring Yemen hospital to Muslim-run charity 10/7
  - Missiologists affirm BGCT network 10/7
  - EDITORIAL: BGCT's actions preserve stability as SBC drifts away 9/30
- Executive Board removes BF&M reference from agreement with SBC 9/30
- World missions network wins favor of BGCT Executive Board members 9/30
- Couple reportedly rejected by IMB because their pastor is a woman 9/16

- SBC leaders critique BGCT's missions and budget 9/16
- NAMB president & BGCT see two situations differently 9/16
- BGCT study calls for no relationship change with SBC 9/9
- New worldwide missions network proposed by BGCT 9/9
- D.C. convention 'not for sale,' leader says in response to NAMB 8/19.
- IMB trustees appoint 79, receive 53 resignations; 12 cite BF&M 8/19
- Rankin letter explains BF&M request, compares it to averting terrorism 8/12
  - Full text of Rankin's letter 8/12
  - \* SBC will defund D.C. convention; new convention 7/15
  - Curry not invited to visit IMB after all 7/15
  - Churches want help networking 7/15
  - El Paso Spanish publishing house seeks new niche 6/24
  - A dozen motions made at SBC, but none debated 6/17
- Texas missionary's criticism of SBC magazine factored in BF&M mandate 6/3
  - Two more missionaries explain why they won't sign 6/3
  - Spanish pastor commends Texas Partnerships approach 6/3
- Missions challenges, reports highlight BGCT spring Executive Board meeting 5/27
  - ONE WHO WON'T SIGN: Granddaughter of 'Preacher Hallock' 5/20
  - Hall: BGCT still funds missions as churches direct 5/20
  - El Paso missionary recalls Rankin pledged no signing 4/8
  - Missionaries explain reasons for not signing BF&M 4/8
- Rankin expects most missionaries to sign; trustees commend Rankin 3/25
  - Has IMB changed requirements? 3/11

- Missionaries express concern in e-mails 3/11
- IMB says BGCT 'manufacturing crisis' 3/4
- Fund set up to help missionaries in BF&M crisis 3/4
- No creed being imposed Jerry Rankin 3/4
- Practice missionary empathy 2/25
- Peril of a man-made document 2/11
- BF&M not litmus test, Rankin says 2/18
- Conscience vs. continuation 2/4
- Missionaries must sign 2/4

## imb\_jobs\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/10/03

# IMB cuts 61 home office jobs in response to \$10 million shortfall

#### **By Robert Dilday**

Associated Baptist Press

RICHMOND, Va. (ABP)-The Southern Baptist Convention's International Mission Board eliminated 61 home office job June 10, displacing 37 employees in an attempt to address a financial shortfall of at least \$10 million in the current fiscal year.

## **starry\_60203**

June 12, 2003 Posted: 5/30/03

# Volunteer paints an escape for children at Baptist shelter

#### **By Miranda Bradley**

Texas Baptist Children's Home & Family Services

ROUND ROCK-Clients at a Texas Baptist children's shelter have new visual images to spark their imaginations, thanks to the work of a local artist.

## test\_characters

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Here is a test of how Postnuke renders special characters in html

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#### review\_bruce\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/09/03

#### **REVIEW:**

# 'Bruce Almighty' sacrilegious or sacred story?

#### By Eddie Hilburn

Some of my friends saw the previews of the movie "Bruce Almighty" and immediately said, "Sacrilegious." I thought it would be interesting to see the movie and find out how popular culture depicts God. Just the idea of God portrayed by a black manâ\[\]Morgan Freemanâ\[\]intrigued me.

Before seeing the movie, I did a little research on the people involved in making the movie.

#### cartoon\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03 Adam and Eve, Day 2

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.

#### exec board 60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

# BGCT Executive Board gives green light to HBTS name change

#### **By Mark Wingfield**

Managing Editor

DALLAS-A name change for Hispanic Baptist Theological School stands one step away from enactment, with a positive nod received from the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board June 3.

## explore\_615\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for June 15

## Salvation is the result of God's grace, not works

Galatians 3:1-14

**By Jim Perkins** 

Madison Hills Baptist Church, San Antonio

## explore\_622\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for June 22

## The law reveals sin, but only Christ redeems

Galatians 3:21-4:7

**By Jim Perkins** 

## family\_615\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

**LifeWay Family Bible Series for June 15** 

## Ministry is the privilege of every believer

Romans 12:4-8; Ephesians 4:11-16; 1 Peter 4:10-11

**By Tim Owens** 

First Baptist Church, Bryan

## family\_622\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

LifeWay Family Bible Series for June 22

## The Acts 2 church is a good measuring stick

Acts 2:42-47; Ephesians 4:1-6

**By Tim Owens** 

First Baptist Church, Bryan

## fenton\_60903

June 12, 2003 Posted: 6/06/03

#### **Veteran Texas pastor Leroy Fenton**

#### to lead Baptist Standard development

Leroy Fenton, a veteran Texas Baptist pastor and denominational leader, has been named development director of the Baptist Standard.

Fenton has been pastor of First Baptist Church in Waxahachie since 1977. He will begin his duties with the Standard in mid-summer.

Leroy Fenton "Leroy Fenton is the perfect person to guide the Standard's fund-raising efforts," said the paper's editor, Marv Knox. "Both the board of directors and staff are thrilled that he will join us in this capacity, which is vitally important for the Standard's future."