

# forestburg\_60903

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## **Builders roll in to Forestburg with witness on wheels**

**By Jo Gray**

*Special to the Standard*

FORESTBURG-When 23 motor homes and travel trailers pulled in to Forestburg recently, the locals took notice. In a community of about 400 residents, the arrival of so many strangers immediately became the topic of discussion at the post office and general store.

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# gambling\_legislature\_60903

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## **Gambling expansion a bust; social services suffer**

**By Ken Camp**

*Texas Baptist Communications*

AUSTIN-Legislators generally held the line against gambling expansion in the just-ended session, according to representatives of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission.

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## **growth\_60903**

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### **Survey says there's no cure-all for church growth**

**By Leslie Scanlon**

*Religion News Service*

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (RNS)-Sometimes when a congregation's having trouble, folks look for the quick fix. By changing the music or moving to the suburbs or adding new programs, they think, everything will be OK.

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# hall\_ken\_60903

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## **Ken Hall to be nominated for BGCT presidency at Lubbock convention**

**By Marv Knox**

*Editor*

DALLAS-Ken Hall, president of Buckner Baptist Benevolences, will be nominated for president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas when it meets next fall.

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# hispanic\_nominees\_60903

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## **Four to be nominated for**

# Hispanic Convention presidency

**By Marv Knox**

*Editor*

Four pastors are expected to be nominated for president of the Hispanic Baptist Convention of Texas when it convenes in San Antonio June 22-24.

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## hsu\_brazil\_60903

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Members of the  
Hardin-Simmons  
University vocal  
ensemble  
Simmons Classic  
recently toured  
Brazil, where  
they not only  
performed but  
learned about the  
people and places  
of Brazil. Here, a  
guide leads them  
through a narrow  
passageway in a  
slum or favela in  
the Brazilian  
town of Olinda.

Retired  
missionaries Dale  
and Sue Carter of  
Abilene traveled  
with the  
students, adding  
to the  
educational value  
of the  
experience.  
Students found  
the favelas of  
Olinda and Sao  
Paulo eye-  
opening.

# HSU ensemble visits Brazil

ABILENE—Students from Hardin-Simmons University were well-received in Brazil on a recent tour where they performed chamber music, contemporary Christian music and jazz.

The 10-member ensemble known as Simmons Classic was led by Loyd Hawthorne, professor of church music.

Dale and Sue Carter, retired Baptist missionaries who are members of First Baptist Church in Abilene, traveled with the group and served as translators.

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## meyer\_60903

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## FATHER KNOWS BEST: Philanthropist Paul Meyer

**By Lacy Elwood**

*Special to the Standard*

WACO—Instead of receiving gifts this Father's Day, Waco multi-millionaire Paul Meyer wants to give a few to his five children and 15 grandchildren—in the way of 294 pages of inspiration.

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## **namb\_women\_60903**

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### **Navy chaplain will ask messengers to overturn NAMB policy on women**

**By Craig Bird & Greg Warner**

*Associated Baptist Press*

ATLANTA (ABP)—The Southern Baptist Convention's shift to endorsement of female chaplains only if they are not ordained seriously undermines the spiritual effectiveness of all ordained military chaplains, according to one of the Navy's top chaplains.

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## **northlake\_dean\_60903**

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# Pastor and music minister have been singing from the same page for years

**By George Henson**

*Staff Writer*

GARLAND-Few churches have pastors stay for 25 years. The same could be said about ministers of music.

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## nyc\_volunteers\_60903

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## Volunteers needed to build new housing for volunteers

NEW YORK (BP)-In the past, exorbitant hotel prices took a bite out of efforts to recruit Baptist volunteers for ministries in the Big Apple.

Soon, the problem of hotel rooms running \$200 or a more a night and local churches far too small to serve as overnight hosts will be solved.

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Jill Pittman  
removes  
debris from  
the  
basement of  
the Park  
Slope  
Ministry  
Center in  
Brooklyn,  
N.Y., a  
project to  
house  
missions  
volunteers.  
Pittman, a  
US/C-2  
missionary  
and  
University of  
Kansas  
graduate, is  
serving with  
the  
Metropolitan  
New York  
Baptist  
Association.  
(Jim  
Burton/BP  
Photo)

A corner building in the Park Slope neighborhood of Brooklyn that once housed a funeral home, dentist's office and a drugstore is being converted into living space for up to 50 volunteers at a time.

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## onthemove\_60903

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### On the Move

**Roy Canada** has completed an interim pastorate at Westlake Chapel in Graham.

- ♦ **William Dawson** to First Church in Loving as pastor from Dry Valley Church in Lodiburg, Ky.

- ♦ **Julian Gonzales** to First Mexican Church in Kenedy as pastor.

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## pakistani\_60903

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# Pakistani Christians under increased threat, activists warn

**By Robert Marus**

*ABP Washington Bureau*

WASHINGTON (ABP)—Pakistan's minority Christians are under increasing threat because they are lumped together with America in the minds of Islamic extremists, according to a leading Christian human-rights activist in the country.