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CYBERCOLUMN: "Yes" of the heart

By Jeanie Miley

"Yes, I agree with you."

The words were right, and so, I took the words at face value and made my plans, based on what I thought was an agreement.

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"The
Passion of
the Christ,"
a film by
Mel
Gibson,
vividly
portrays
the
crucifixion.
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'The Passion of The Christ' more than a movie

By George Henson

Staff Writer

DENTON—"The Passion of the Christ" will spark a stampede from theater seats to church pews, and Christians need to be ready to answer the questions the movie raises, Steve Pate believes.

Shuttle Columbia widows' grief gives gospel global platform_20904

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By Bonnie Pritchett

Baptist Press

HOUSTON (BP)—Sandy Anderson and Evelyn Husband endured the most horrific year of their lives, but they insist they have not grieved as ones who have no hope.

Texas Baptist Forum_20904

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TEXAS BAPTIST FORUM:

Liberal un-Christian stance

Marv Knox just can't seem to get it. He continually takes every opportunity to malign the Southern Baptist Convention, as in his Jan. 12 editorial about the SBC's proposal to defund the Baptist World Alliance.

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He ignores the fact that many people take time to be informed about what the SBC does stand for, which are our basic Christian principles, in spite of the liberal thinking of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Everything was fine with him back when the liberals were in control, but now he attempts to poison people's minds toward the SBC. This is such an un-Christian stance for him to take.

Around the State_20904

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Around the State

The Baylor Alumni Association honored four graduates during its annual Distinguished Alumni banquet. Honored were **Joel Allison**, president and

CEO of Baylor Health Care System; **Carroll Dawson**, general manager of the Houston Rockets and the Houston Comets; **Kent Gilbreath**, professor of economics at Baylor; and **Betty Welch**, a linguist and translator for Wycliffe Bible Translators.

♦ Youth With a Mission, an interdenominational missions and relief organization, will host a three-day celebration of missions past, present and future Feb. 27-29. The weekend of music, teaching, celebration and thanksgiving will be held at the Twin Oaks Ranch, located six miles west of Lindale. For more information or to register, call (800) 641-1245.



Volunteers from First Baptist Church in Georgetown not only presented two single mothers, Rene Marshall and Adela Padilla, with new Habitat for Humanity homes, but also gave them a kitchen shower to stock their new homes with all they would need to sit down to a feast. The items were donated through the church's AWANAs and their Friday Folks ministry group. The church sponsored building both homes.

♦ **Edwin Twitty**, a member of Sagemont Church in Houston, has received the bachelor of arts in Christian ministry degree in psychology and counseling at Leavell College of New Orleans Seminary. **Dawn West**, a member of Tallowood Church in Houston, received the master of arts in Christian education degree from the seminary.

Girl's birthday 'wish list' taught her friends: 'It's more blessed to give than to receive'_20904

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Friends of Jaclyn Robison (left) brought teddy bears to donate to the Irving Police Department to help children in crisis situations. At right, Jaclyn gets her hair cut to donate to Locks of Love.

Girl's birthday 'wish list' taught her friends: 'It's more blessed to give than to receive'

By Leann Callaway

Special to the Standard

IRVING—Instead of handing her parents a list of things she wanted for her eighth birthday, Jaclyn Robison from Oak View Baptist Church in Irving gave them a different kind of "wish list."

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Dancers and
singers with
the Korean
Children's
Choir
performed at
Dallas Baptist
University, the
Baptist
Building and
First Baptist
Church in
Plano as part
of a tour
involving
leaders of the
Baptist World
Alliance. Kristie
Brooks, DBU

SBC pull-out from BWA would harm

global Baptist witness, leaders say

By Ken Camp & Marv Knox

Baptist Standard

DALLAS-Southern Baptist Convention withdrawal from the Baptist World Alliance would mean not only the loss of one-fourth of the international organization's income, but also the loss of a unified Baptist witness worldwide, BWA officials told Texas Baptists.

Homeless coalition names Austin one of the 'meanest' cities in U.S_20904

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Homeless coalition names Austin one of the 'meanest' cities in U.S.

WASHINGTON (ABP)-American cities are becoming increasingly hostile to the plight of the homeless, according to a report by an advocacy group that ranked Austin among the top 10 "meanest" cities.

Almost 70 percent of the cities studied by National Coalition for the

Homeless have passed one or more laws since January 2002 specifically targeting homeless people. Las Vegas topped the group's list of cities that are "meanest" in their treatment of the homeless.

Not only do new laws make it harder to live on the streets, the group said, but many cities make it illegal for charities and other organizations to perform life-sustaining activities while refusing to allocate sufficient funds to address the causes of homelessness.

Baptist Briefs_20904

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Baptist Briefs

Reccord to NRB board. Bob Reccord, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's North American Mission Board, has been appointed to the National Religious Broadcasters board of directors. He will complete the unexpired term of Campus Crusade's Bill Bright, who died last year. Other Southern Baptists serving on the NRB board include former SBC presidents James Merritt and Charles Stanley, Richard Land of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission and "Left Behind" co-author Tim LaHaye.

Seminary Extension leader dead at 84. Ray Rigdon, who led the SBC's Seminary Extension ministry from 1969 to 1988, died Jan. 16 in Nashville, Tenn., after a lengthy illness. He was 84. Prior to his Seminary Extension work, Rigdon worked for the Georgia Baptist Convention and served with

the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board for two decades.

CBF studies partnerships. A seven-member committee of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Coordinating Council is studying how the fellowship funds and evaluates its partner entities, such as Truett Seminary and Logsdon School of Theology. Charles Cantrell, an attorney from Mountain View, Mo., is chairman of the committee, which includes Matt Cook of Rosebud.

Coalition draws fire for Muslim connections_20904

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By Robert Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON (ABP)- Conservative evangelicals involved in an anti-gay-marriage coalition are drawing fire from some of their ideological and spiritual comrades over associations with a Muslim group.

Another View: Now is time to do unto the SBC as it's doing unto the BWA_20904

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ANOTHER VIEW: Now is time to do unto the SBC as it's doing unto the BWA

By Charles Foster Johnson

The Southern Baptist Convention's recent decision to quit the Baptist World Alliance all but completes its 25-year rewrite of what it means to be Baptist.

George W. Truett, legendary Texas Baptist pastor and founding light of the BWA, wouldn't recognize the revision.

Cornerstone helps other ministries along Rio Grande meet human needs_20904

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Children's
Ranch, near
Quemado,
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Staff Writer

QUEMADO-In the barren, sun-baked terrain between Eagle Pass and Del Rio, a mustard seed of faith grew into a ministry much larger than Steve and Lori Mercer ever imagined.