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By Rob Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON (ABP)-Standards of decency on broadcast television are again in the news as the Federal Communications Commission investigates what led to an incident during the halftime show at Super Bowl XXXVIII.

Hands of Luke ministry a daily walk of faith for its director_20904

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By George Henson

Staff Writer

EL PASO—Hurting people need healing for both body and spirit, Marco Samaniego insists.

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Texas Baptist Communications

HOUSTON—God gives Christians the desire to worship, serve him and share the gospel, evangelist Samuel Otero told participants at the Texas Baptist Hispanic Evangelism Conference.

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HOUSTON—Both evangelism and worship are about relationships, Rich Smith told the Hispanic Evangelism Conference.

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DALLAS The Baptist General Convention of Texas has launched what is believed to be the first online Spanish ministry job search engine.

Ministers can post their resumes and search for positions online in Spanish via the Church Personnel Information Services site, www.cpis.org/sp/. Churches also can display vacancies and sort through resumes in Spanish.

The site is the first BGCT web page translated completely into Spanish at the request of ministers.

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HOUSTON Spanish-speaking churches still are needed in the United States, but bilingual and English-speaking Hispanic congregations are in increasing demand, a South Texas pastor told the Hispanic Evangelism Conference.

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Hispanic and Anglo congregations are trading places as Anglo churches become worship-driven and their Hispanic counterparts move toward a Bible study-driven model, according to some Texas Baptist leaders.

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RICHMOND, Va.-(BP) The Southern Baptist Convention International Mission Board has created a hotline where victims of sexual abuse on the mission field can report their abusers and find help for their trauma.

The toll-free number will help people report incidents of abuse or inappropriate relationships—either past or present—to IMB staff members who can respond to the concern, said Mark Whitworth, a member care consultant for the board and former missionary to Japan.

“We very rarely receive reports of such problems, but we don't want that to be because a victim feels he or she has nowhere to turn for help,” Whitworth said.

**"We know we
are not
immune to
problems like
this, and we
want people to
know that we
care and that
we are
committed to
reaching out to
victims and
dealing
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abusers."
—Sharron
Hawk, IMB**

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By Art Stricklin

Baptist Press

HOUSTON (BP)-Michael Irvin, the self-styled playmaker during his Dallas Cowboys days, is still very much at home at the Super Bowl.

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Despite a tough fiscal year, the Baptist General Convention of Texas Church Multiplication Center crossed the halfway point toward its goal of helping start 777 churches by the end of 2004.

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Joe Bacuam to First Church in Early as minister of youth.

☒ **Jesse Caballero** to Primera Iglesia in Lockney as interim pastor.

✘ **Allen Cearley** to Shepherd's Fellowship Church in Boerne as pastor.

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After initially refusing to show a 30-second advertisement produced by the Baptist General Convention of Texas because it was “too dark,” AMC Theatres tentatively have agreed to accept a modified version.