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Ezra 8:21-23; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; James 5:13-18

By David Jenkins

New Hope Baptist Church, Big Sandy

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Members of the Gaither Vocal Band are (from left) Bill Gaither, Guy Penrod, David Phelps and Russ Taff .

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By Stacy Hamby

Baptist Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) Bill Gaither wasn't good enough for gospel music. At least, that's what he was told.

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By Ferrell Foster

Texas Baptist Communications

DALLASThe Christian Education Coordinating Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas is setting up committees to deal with Baptist University of the Americas' financial needs and the convention's relationship with Houston Baptist University.

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By Loretta Fulton

Abilene Reporter-News

ABILENE-For 41 years, "Miss Cul" pampered, admonished and consoled thousands of young women under her care as a dorm mother at Hardin-Simmons University.

Does biblical command to care for aliens depend on their legal status?_12604

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Does biblical command to care for aliens depend on their legal status?

By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

Churches' responsibility to care for "aliens and strangers" as the Bible commands transcends legal issues about immigration policy, according to David Guel of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

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By Craig Bird

Associated Baptist Press

SAN ANTONIO (ABP)-The raging debate over worship music has surfaced

in a most unlikely place-within the Churches of Christ, which bear the historical distinction of shunning all musical instruments in worship.

Texas Baptist Forum_12604

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TEXAS BAPTIST FORUM: Uncooperative Baptists

Why do Southern Baptist Convention leaders want to withdraw from the Baptist World Alliance? (Jan. 12) They want to make sure they cannot be accused of being cooperative Baptists. To that end, they seek to be as uncooperative as possible with any Baptist body.

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Perhaps we should not refer to these people as “fundamentalists.” They have forsaken the fundamentals, preferring to focus on peripheral issues. They would better be described as “peripheralists.”

Leon Johnson

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By Marv Knox

Editor

Albert McClellan, a Baptist statesman and executive whose ministry spanned parts of six decades, died in Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 9 after a long illness. He was 91.

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Mexican Baptists hope church-starting goal sparks movement throughout Latin America

By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

MATAMOROS, MexicoThe National Baptist Convention of Mexico is ushering in a “spiritual revolution” through what appears to be the beginnings of a church-starting movement, missions observers have noted.

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On the Move

Scott Bowman to First Church in Winnsboro as minister of music and senior adults.

♦ **Dan Brown** to Clearview Church in Marshall as pastor.

♦ **Bill Burch** has resigned as youth minister at Colonial Hills Church in Cedar Hill.

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Texas Baptist Communications

GATESVILLE—Fear ran through David Barron's body when he first entered a prison in 1978 to help with the data entry systems. Now the clanging of

prison gates closing behind him regularly welcomes him to his mission field.

Most American voters want a deeply religious president, recent poll reveals_12604

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Most American voters want a deeply religious president, recent poll reveals

By Adelle Banks

Religious News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS) — Almost 60 percent of likely voters surveyed say it's important for a president to believe in God and be deeply religious while also having the backing of most Americans on how he is managing the economy and foreign policy.