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By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

SEVIERVILLE, Tenn. (ABP)- Tennessee Baptists turned back an attack on “anti-Christian” teaching in public schools but agreed to investigate the biblical views taught in their three affiliated Baptist colleges.

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Howard Payne president recognized. Lanny Hall, president of Howard Payne University in Brownwood and president emeritus of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, has been included among 150 Christian leaders and educators to share their faith stories in "College Faith 2," edited by Ronald Alan Knott and published by Andrews University Press. Robert Sloan, president of Baylor University in Waco, and Craig Turner, president of Hardin-Simmons University, were included in the first edition of "College Faith," published in 2002.

UMHB hosts servant leadership conference. Laurie Beth Jones, author of the best-selling "Jesus, CEO" and "Jesus, Life Coach," will be the keynote speaker at a Servant Leadership Celebration Dec. 7 at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton. The program also will feature Charles Cooper, national speaker for Promise Keepers, and Charles Billingsley, vocalist for Newsong. The event, sponsored by the Servant Leadership Institute of Central Texas, is free and open to the public. For more information, contact (254) 724-3175 or e-mail kwinters@swmail.sw.org.

A selection
from the
Isaiah Scroll
of the Dead
Sea
Scrolls.(Photo
from the
Dead Sea
Scrolls
Institute at
Trinity
Western
University in
British
Columbia)

HBU to host lecture. Peter Flint, professor of biblical studies and director of the Dead Sea Scrolls Institute at Trinity Western University in British Columbia, will speak on "The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible" at Houston Baptist University at 2 p.m. Dec. 3. Flint, an internationally acknowledged scholar on the Dead Sea Scrolls, regularly participates in both public seminars and academic meetings on the Dead Sea Scrolls, biblical topics, early Judaism and the Christian faith in the United States, Canada, Europe and Israel.

TOGETHER: Priorities map BGCT transformation_112204

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TOGETHER: Priorities map BGCT transformation

The Baptist General Convention of Texas is in the midst of a continuing and exciting transformation. We are determined to recognize the changing realities of the world in which we minister. As we go through this change, we have set six priorities to guide us.

These priorities will guide budgeting and personnel assignments of the Executive Board and the staff. We pray these priority statements will find broad acceptance among our Texas Baptist pastors and churches.

Unto the glory of God, we will:

Author lectures at DBU_112204

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Robert Webber,
author of
“Ancient-Future
Faith:
Rethinking
Evangelicalism
for a
Postmodern
World” and
about 40 other
books, recently
lectured at
Dallas Baptist
University on
the theology of
worship.

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.

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Evangelist Wade Burleigh carves a bust of Christ-complete with a crown of thorns- from a rugged cedar log. (George Henson Photos)

WADE BURLEIGH: Carving out a ministry

By George Henson

Staff Writer

MARSHALL-Evangelist Wade Burleigh's hands make as deep an impression as his voice-and maybe even deeper.

Church planting leader suggests best way to launch a church is 'START'_112204

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Church planting leader suggests best way to launch a church is 'START'

By Teresa Young

For Texas Baptist Communications

SAN ANTONIO-Starting new churches is difficult-and often lonely-work, but a simple plan can make the process smoother and more successful, said Abe Zabaneh, director of the Church Multiplication Center of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Cybercolumn by Jeanie Miley: Start with love_112204

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CYBERCOLUMN: Start with love

By Jeanie Miley

“What do you think about her?” I asked my son-in-law about his baby daughter.

Before she was born, he said, repeatedly, “I just can’t wait for her to get here so I can see what she’s like.” Now that she’s been here for 10 weeks, I was curious about what he thought about her.

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Around the State_111504

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Around the State

Stephen Von Wyrick, professor in the College of Christian Studies at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, has been elected president of the American Schools of Oriental Research, Southwest Region. The

organization supports and encourages the study of the peoples and cultures of the Near East, from the earliest times to the present.

♦ **Dottie Parker** has been named the recipient of Hardin-Simmons University's Keeter Alumni Service Award. A 1942 graduate, she serves as chaplain of the alumni association's board of directors, and is a member of the Ex-Cowgirls. She also has served on the school's board of development. She is a member of First Church in Abilene.



Grace Temple Church in Dallas recently honored Betty Hatfield for 50 years of service as pastor's secretary and financial secretary. Beginning in 1954, the first pastor she worked with was Buel Crouch. During her tenure, she has served with seven pastors and six interim pastors. She has no plans to retire. She also is a Sunday school director and sings in the choir.

♦ **Juanita Reeder** has been named layperson of the year by Abilene Baptist Association. She is a member of South Side Church in Abilene and served as administrative assistant to former Hardin-Simmons University President **Jesse Fletcher** before retiring from the university.

BaptistWay Bible Series for

Nov. 21: Christ fashions strength out of human weakness_111504

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BaptistWay Bible Series for Nov. 21

Christ fashions strength out of human weakness

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

By Todd Still

Truett Seminary, Waco

Few Americans think kids well-grounded morally, poll shows_111504

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Few Americans think kids well-grounded morally, poll shows

By Adelle Banks

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS)-Less than 10 percent of Americans surveyed think children are being given good spiritual or moral preparation for life.

African-American Texas Baptists want to be full partners in BGCT, leaders say_111504

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Joining in
congregational
praise at the
African
American
Fellowship of
Texas rally are
(left to right)
Chance
Bonner, Carol
Wilson and
Remethia
Little.

African-American Texas Baptists want to be full partners in BGCT, leaders say

By Felicia Fuller

For Texas Baptist Communications

SAN ANTONIO-The African American Fellowship of Texas is not merely a mission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. It's a partnership, its leaders say.