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Olin Boles to Central Texas Area as interim director of missions.

- Kelly Burkhart to Baptist Temple in Houston as pastor from First Church in Riesel.
 - Mickey Chitwood to Ephesus Church in Jewett as minister of music.

Cybercolumn by Brett Younger: Jesus & our churches_110804

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CYBERCOLUMN: Jesus & our churches

By Brett Younger

Jesus wouldn't recognize:

Heated, fiberglass baptisteries. Rivers are better symbols than bathtubs.

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BGCT Executive Board member Randall Scott. pastor of Immanuel **Baptist Church** in Paris, recommends the board postpone a decision about a change in the convention's structure.(John Hall Photos)

BGCT board approves mission, vision,

values & priorities

By Marv Knox

Editor

DALLAS-The Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board overwhelmingly approved a set of mission, vision, values and priority statements to guide the convention's work in coming decades.

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Jim DeHoog, chaplain for Mission Road Ministries in San Antonio, points a group of parents of special-needs children to places they can find emotional and spiritual support.

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Texas Baptist Communications

MOUNT LEBANON-Emotional and spiritual support for parents of specialneeds children is all around, but they have to take advantage of those opportunities, a chaplain who ministers to mentally challenged people stressed.

Hardin-Simmons provides opportunities for Boneheads who dig dinosaurs_110104

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By George Henson

ABILENE-These boneheads are anything but what their name suggests.

CBF revenues top \$24 million in past year_110104

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By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

ATLANTA (ABP)-The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship finished its 2003-04 fiscal year with revenues of \$24.26 million, the highest-ever annual total.

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FORT WORTH-Apartment ministries may not reduce crime rates the way advocates previously expected, but that doesn't mean they are ineffective, a Baptist researcher insists.

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FAIRLIE-Cross Trails Cowboy Church led Hunt Baptist Association in baptisms last year while meeting in a tent. Now members are imagining what can happen as they have moved into new facilities.

Only God is worthy of worship; all else is idolatry, music professor maintains_110104

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Only God is worthy of worship; all else is idolatry, music professor maintains

By Craig Bird

Baylor University

WACO-Agendas, even holy agendas, are not worthy of worship, Terry York

is convinced. And when something else-anything else-takes God's place as the focus of the church's worship, it violates God's commandment against idolatry.

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WACO-Maybe the pulpit is a safe-house in the worship wars-at least for now.