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Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—What is the most biblical way to structure church government?

First Church, Denton, meeting challenges of fast-growing county_100404

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By Karen Willoughby

Baptist Press

DENTON (BP)—First Baptist Church in Denton has a brand-new purpose statement: “To love and serve the Lord so we can reach and influence our community and the world for Christ.”

Family Care helps teens, adults wrestle with their problems_100404

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By Miranda Bradley

Texas Baptist Children's Home & Family Services

ROUND ROCK—Every Monday night, First Baptist Church of Round Rock

becomes a battleground where adults and teenagers meet to wrestle with problems that torment them. And workers with Texas Baptist Children's Home Family Care program stand willing to help them fight the good fight.

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By Greg Garrison

Religion News Service

HOMEWOOD, Ala.—When people visit Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, they often go to run, lift weights and work out their bodies, as well as their worship and prayer lives. They also come to find out if they have cancer, diabetes or high blood pressure.

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By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

SAN ANTONIO—Medical needs in Texas are vast, as 8 million uninsured residents struggle to receive adequate and timely healthcare, health ministry leaders maintain.

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SAN ANTONIO—It may sound like a cliché, but people are not patients; patients are people. And that is the heart of medical ministry, a leader in the Baylor Health Care System insists.

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By Chris Turner

LifeWay Christian Resources

RIDGECREST, N.C. (BP)—LifeWay Christian Resources trustees adopted a \$446 million operating budget for 2005 and approved a significant investment in the company's conference centers to fast-track their revitalization efforts.

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PARIS—Cable television viewers in Paris know the call-letters “FBC-TV” stand for First Baptist Church. But each fall, they represent the Foot Ball Channel.

Cybercolumn by Jeanie Miley: Growing Edges_100404

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CYBERCOLUMN: Growing edges

By Jeanie Miley

Leaving the hospital after a two-day wait, I drove home through the dark, quiet streets of the city, streets that would be bustling in just a few hours with tens of thousands of patients and the people who care about them—health care professionals and support staff who keep the Texas Medical Center running.

I had just left my own daughter in the care of people I have never seen before and her newborn daughter under the watchful eye of her ecstatic

father, whose first words about her were, "She's so beautiful!"

Cybercolumn by John Duncan: Lighthouses and the Light_92004

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CYBERCOLUMN: Lighthouses and the Light

By John Duncan

I am sitting under the old oak tree, thinking of lighthouses and the Light and my friend Mike.

Lighthouses dot the landscape on the eastern coast of the United States. Imagine a lighthouse creating a fixed point for the captain of a ship to navigate toward safe harbor. Imagine a storm tossing the ship like a bottle floating on the ocean's surface. Imagine the light penetrating the darkness, shining like a star against the black night sky.

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Texas Baptist Men disaster relief work in the wake of repeated hurricanes that blew through the Caribbean Sea and across Florida has expanded to include an additional unit, more personnel and another country.

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HOUSTON—Twenty-seven people committed their lives to Christ. Sounds like a good reason for another SPAMARAMA next year, organizers say.