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Luke 1:1-25, 57-80

By Pakon Chan

Chinese Baptist Church, Arlington

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By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

FABENS-A few beans have spouted in a ministry yielding vanloads of school supplies for hundreds of Mexican children.

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By Robert Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON (ABP)-A new report by an independent group explains in depth what observers of President Bush's "faith-based initiatives" have

been noting for years now: Bush has used his presidential powers to bypass Congress and "aggressively implement the initiative."

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1 Peter 3:13-17; 4:1-3, 12-16, 19

By Rodney McGlothlin

First Baptist Church, College Station

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Exodus 33:7-23

By Angela Hamm

First Baptist Church, Lewisville

Girls Scouts' loss is American Heritage Girls' gain_82304

Girls Scouts' loss is American Heritage Girls' gain

By Sandi Villarreal

Associated Baptist Press

CINCINNATI (ABP)-American Heritage Girls, a relatively new Christian program similar to scouting, has seen enrollment increase dramatically after recent media attention portraying the Girl Scouts of the USA as less committed to the Christian tradition.

Texas Baptist Forum_82304

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TEXAS BAPTIST FORUM: Falwell & Carter

I find the contrast between Jerry Falwell and former President Jimmy Carter interesting.

Falwell is encouraging Christians to vote for President George W. Bush because he is pro-life, pro-family and pro-traditional marriage. I'm in agreement, and it's too bad the IRS is after him.

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I voted for Carter years ago but can no longer be part of the Democratic Party, mainly because it is now the advocate of abortion on demand and gay rights to the extreme.

Floor mosaic represents God's love_82304

Floor mosaic represents God's love

Architect Harold Teel
Jr. shows Betty Self,
administrative
assistant at South
Texas School of
Christian Studies, a
marble mosaic-"The
Unstinting Inexorable
Love of God"-that will
occupy a prominent
place on the floor of
the central room of the

new

Professor/Missionary Residence and Conference Center being built at the school, formerly called the Baptist Learning Center. Ben Lawton, a career missionary in Italy who taught at the **Baptist Learning** Center for many years, designed the mosaic, and Teel is constructing the sixfoot-diameter floor medallion, made of about 14,000 small pieces of marble tile.

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BaptistWay Bible study lessons are back in the Baptist Standard.

The Standard will feature two BaptistWay lessons in each issue, providing ongoing supplemental commentary for readers who study the BaptistWay lessons during Sunday school in their churches, Editor Marv Knox announced.

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On the Move

Abraham Almendariz has resigned as pastor of Iglesia Calvario in Buckholts.

- * **Kevin Blackburn** to Calvary Church in Post as pastor from Mount Pleasant Church in California, Mo.
 - William Brackney to Blue Ridge Church in Marlin as pastor.

Sunday no day of rest for Christians sharing the gospel at motor speedway_82304

Roger Marsh
of Texas
Alliance
Raceway
Ministries
welcomes
fans to a
Sunday
morning
chapel
service at
the Texas
Motor
Speedway
campground.

Sunday no day of rest for Christians sharing the gospel at motor speedway

By Sarah Farris

BGCT Summer Intern

JUSTIN-The sounds of Sunday fill the air at Texas Motor Speedway. Engines roar, fans cheer and tires squeal. And in the middle of it all, volunteers with Texas Alliance Raceway Ministries share the gospel.

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By Marv Knox

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SAN ANTONIO-Albert Reyes, president of Baptist University of the Americas and current first vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will be nominated for president of the BGCT this fall.