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By Marv Knox

Editor

HOUSTON-Partnership and cooperation are important fuels for missions, leaders of missions groups insisted during the Texas Baptists Committed annual convocation.

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HOUSTON—No matter what others think, God will judge the Baptist General Convention of Texas by one standard, Ed Hogan told participants at the Texas Baptists Committed annual convocation in Houston.

Around the State_72604

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Henry Landrum of First Baptist Church in Wilmer built this rickshaw for the church's "Rickshaw Rally" Vacation Bible School and parade. He has been a deacon at the church since 1964. He is pictured with Tajéavean and Savannah. David Bugg is pastor.

Around the State

- ♦ **Brian Ward** has been hired as the first associate director of Internet development and services for the Baptist General Convention of Texas. Ward comes to the newly created position from the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, where he was information systems security manager.

- ♦ Paisano Baptist General Encampment's annual family camp opened July 25. Located in the Davis Mountains of West Texas, the camp hosts the family camp each summer during the last full week of July. It has been held since 1915.



Houston Baptist University graduate Stephanie Smith was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army during a special ceremony during the university's graduation exercises. Smith received a bachelor of science degree in psychology and sociology. A second special presentation honored Vice President for Academic Affairs Don Looser for his 40 years of service to the university.

♦ The San Antonio campus of Wayland Baptist University awarded degrees to 292 students during summer graduation ceremonies. Outstanding student awards were presented to **Robert Lee Johnson**, religion; **Richard Morice**, business administration; **Billy Jack Harlow**, management; **Daniel Caluya**, human services; **Robert Eshelman**, occupational education; **Clark Fooshee**, master of Christian ministry; **Karen Wilburn**, master of business administration; and **Jeff Humphrey**, master of arts in management.

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WASHINGTON (RNS)-The Bush administration has asked a federal appeals court to reconsider its spring decision to uphold Oregon's assisted-suicide law.

It would like the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to set aside its May ruling that backed the only law in the country that permits doctors to assist patients in hastening their deaths, the Associated Press reported.

The Justice Department said the case, decided 2-1, should be reheard by a panel of 11 judges.

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By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

WACO-Baylor University regents met July 21-23 for a three-day retreat to discuss Baylor 2012-the school's long-range vision-and possibly determine the future of embattled President Robert Sloan.

Baptist Briefs_72604

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Baptist Briefs

Clingenpeel returns to pastorate. Mike Clingenpeel, editor of Virginia Baptists' newspaper for the past 12 years, will be the next pastor of River Road Baptist Church in Richmond, Va. Clingenpeel will assume the pulpit of one of the most prominent moderate Baptist churches on the East Coast Sept. 7. He left a Franklin, Va., pastorate in 1992 to edit the 176-year-old Religious Herald, newsjournal of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

Auction benefits CBF missions. A violin and a collectible C.S. Lewis book were sold to the highest bidders at a silent auction during the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship general assembly in Birmingham, Ala., this summer. The auction raised \$18,200 to support ministry projects of CBF Global Missions field personnel around the world. The auction's most valued items were a violin and a 1947 autographed edition of C.S. Lewis' "Miracles: A Preliminary Study." Three other highly-sought items were a painting and two pieces of embroidery by Chinese Christian artist He Qi. He donated his work for the auction as well as a painting to the Fellowship to be displayed in the Atlanta Resource Center.

KCBI, FamilyNet team up. Dallas Christian radio station KCBI and the Southern Baptist Convention's Fort Worth-based FamilyNet television network have formed an alliance to share audio portions of their newscasts. KCBI has won the National Religious Broadcasters' Best News award, several SCRIBE awards for best news on a Christian radio station, and numerous Dallas Press Club Katie awards and Texas Associated Press awards. FamilyNet News is a blend of headlines and stories that affect families. Both news outlets bill themselves safe for children to watch and include "good news" stories with positive endings.

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investment
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Julian Vigil
found
remodeling
the home of
Jorge and
Ramona
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during the
week he
and other
church
members
renovated
houses,
conducted
Vacation
Bible
Schools
and held
evangelistic
sports
camps in
the Rio
Grande
Valley.

Missions offering helps Buckner Border Ministries touch lives along Rio Grande

By Mary Crouch

BGCT Summer Intern

PROGRESO-Jorge Zapata knows Texas is a big state. But he believes Texas Baptists from every corner of the state can touch lives in the name of Jesus, even if they never leave home.

JIMMY CARTER: Sunday school teacher_72604

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JIMMY CARTER: Sunday school teacher

By Shalynn Ford Harvey

Religion News Service

PLAINS, Ga. (RNS)-A little more than 100 miles and several light-years southwest of Atlanta lies a bucolic hamlet surrounded by pine trees, pecan groves and peanut farms.

Cartoon_72604

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Pastor, please give me a noon wake-up call.
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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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By Trennis Henderson

Kentucky Western Recorder

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Warning “inertia is against planning,” Mark Wingfield said churches must make an intentional effort to achieve effective long-range planning.

ANOTHER VIEW: A pastor dad's advice on ministering to military families_72604

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ANOTHER VIEW:

A pastor/dad's advice on ministering to military families

By Lee Brewer

Our son Daniel is a Marine in Fallujah, Iraq. As you might imagine, these past five months have been difficult for our family.

Here are some ideas that would help Christians minister to families with troops in harm's way. Because of our family's context, I will address a Marine, but you can apply the branch that fits your situation:

Cybercolumn by John Duncan: The one that got away_72604

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CYBERCOLUMN:

The one that got away

By John Duncan

I'm sitting here under the old oak tree, thinking about fishing. Jesus called fishermen to follow him.

The orange sun rose over the bay in Key West, Fla. The humidity of the morning and the coming day excited me. I watched the sunrise while the glassy waters mirrored the life of the sun. I ate breakfast, a feast of watermelon, sausage, scrambled eggs and orange juice. I walked off the ramp of the cruise ship on that summer morning and boarded a smaller vessel for fishing in the Florida Gulf Coast. The Duncan men—my father, George Sr.; my brother, George Jr.; my nephew, Graham; and I greeted that morning as we ventured on a fishing expedition. Sal and Brian, the crew of the ship, greeted us. Brian explained where the ice water was, where we were going, and our task for the day—to catch fish.