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Vernon Andrews has resigned as pastor of First Church in Tuleta.

♦ **Jeff Berry** to The Heights Church in Richardson as contemporary worship leader.

♦ **O.K. Bowen** to First Church in Hereford as interim pastor.

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A recreation
room at the
Pennsylvania
Place
leasing
office
provides a
safe place
for children
to enjoy fun
and games.
(Photo by
Felicia
Fuller)

PENN PLACE: A home for hope

By Felicia Fuller

Buckner News Service

FORT WORTH-When Joyce King cautions young people against fast living and freewheeling, she offers her own life as an example. At her lowest point, she shared a house and a crack habit with a boyfriend who abused her often. All the while, she held high-profile positions in Christian ministry. Through prayer and sweat equity, she reclaimed her life and got clean in 1993. Now, she's on a quest to help others.

So, what difference does faith make in lives of U.S. teens?_22105

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So, what difference does faith make in lives of U.S. teens?

By David Briggs

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS)-The most comprehensive survey ever done on faith and adolescence finds a teen nation where more than four in five youths say religion is important in their lives.

Texas Tidbits_22105

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Texas Tidbits

♦ **Campolo to lecture at Wayland.** Christian author, sociologist and media commentator Tony Campolo will speak March 2 at Wayland Baptist University as part of the McCoy Lecture Series. He will speak in the 11 a.m. Wayland chapel service, meet with several student groups throughout the day, and speak at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Plainview. Campolo is professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern University in St. David's, Pa. The McCoy Lecture Series was developed by First Baptist Church with an estate gift from longtime member Dorothy McCoy, professor emeritus in mathematics at Wayland.

♦ **Concert highlights preview weekend at UMHB.** Tree63, with special guest Paul Colman, will be in concert at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor at 7 p.m. March 4 in the W.W. Walton Chapel. The concert is part of Crusader Preview Weekend, March 4-5, hosted by the recruiting and admissions office for high school seniors and juniors to visit UMHB and get a feel for college life. During the weekend, high schoolers will sit in classes, eat in the cafeteria and stay in the residence halls with students. For more information, call (254) 295-4520, or register online at www.umhb.edu/Preview/welcome.htm.

♦ **ETBU launches \$40 million campaign.** East Texas Baptist University in Marshall has launched a five-year, \$40-million development campaign. The Legacy of Excellence campaign includes \$22.85 million for capital improvements and \$5 million for student scholarships, as well as funds for restricted projects and the university endowment.

TOGETHER: Prayer for things that are, ought to be_22105

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Her name is Emma Rose Gaston. She is the baby daughter of our baby daughter, and she's beautiful. We have three granddaughters and seven grandsons. Truly blessed.

One week earlier, my wife, Rosemary, and I awaited her heart cath procedure. Three stents and a prayer. Will bypass surgery be necessary? No. Truly blessed.

Life is like that. Full of fear, filled with joy. God promises to be present. Truly grateful.

‘Unreality’ remains_22105

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'Unreality' remains

By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

Reality television is anything but real, according to media and ethics professors.

Forget the 'Batmobile,' Houston contest winner cherishes friendships_22105

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Forget the 'Batmobile,' Houston contest winner cherishes friendships

By Martha Morrow

Houston Baptist University

HOUSTON-When J.J. Worthen's sister first called him about entering *Gimme the Mike, Houston*, the local NBC affiliate's voice talent contest, he didn't give it much thought.

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Youth ministry matures during Johnson's tenure

By George Henson

Staff Writer

RICHARDSON-Randy Johnson insists the key to longevity in youth ministry is developing solid relationships with both youth and adults. He should know, after serving in youth ministry 30 years and recently celebrating his 20th anniversary as minister of youth education at First Baptist Church in Richardson.

LifeWay Explore the Bible

Series for Feb. 20: Jesus paid the debt of our sin out of love_22105

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LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for Feb. 20

Jesus paid the debt of our sin out of love

Luke 23:32-47

By Pakon Chan

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By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

ATLANTA (ABP) — A plan under consideration by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship would cap CBF funding of outside organizations, which could reduce CBF support for some traditional ministry partners by as much as 31 percent.

BaptistWay Bible Series for Feb. 20: Christians are to be obedient, not religious_22105

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BaptistWay Bible Series for Feb. 20

Christians are to be obedient, not religious

Matthew 23:1-30

By Todd Still

Truett Seminary, Waco

LifeWay Family Bible Series for Feb. 20: God is just in condemning sin, but also forgives_22105

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LifeWay Family Bible Series for Feb. 20

God is just in condemning sin, but also forgives

Hosea 11:1-11

By Leroy Fenton