

Learn evangelism from Starbucks

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Leonard Sweet,
author and
evangelism
teacher at Drew
University, insists
the business world
understands
evangelistic
principals better
than most
Christians.
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of
leonardsweet.com)

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By Jocelyn Delgado

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DALLAS—Some churches may be a little nervous using the word “evangelism,” but it's the new buzzword in the business world, author Leonard Sweet told the Urban Training Institute of the Southwest annual meeting.

Asian teen torches gang flag

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The Take Out Asian Youth Camp at Baylor University offered Asian youth from across Texas the opportunity for fellowship, worship, workshops and leadership training.

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By Karen Simons

Special to the Baptist Standard

WACO-Flag burnings at an ethnic youth camp wouldn't usually be something to celebrate, but this year's Take Out Asian Youth Camp ignited a spiritual fire resulting in a physical one.

Texas Baptist children minister at Mexican orphanage

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Children
receive
notebooks
and
markers
from
Texas
Baptist
Children's
Home
residents
on the
last day
of the
one-week
mission
trip.

Texas Baptist children minister at Mexican orphanage

By Miranda Bradley

Texas Baptist Children's Home

JUAREZ, Mexico—Youngsters at Texas Baptist Children's Home have chosen acts of service as their love language, speaking it fluently for more than 20 years at a small Mexican orphanage.

Operacion San Andres brings hope to children in Peru

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An Operacion San Andres mission team poses with residents of Lima, Peru.
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By George Henson

Staff Writer

LIMA, Peru-South Main Baptist Church in Houston and Buckner Orphan Care International are offering help and hope to homeless orphans and

other rejected children in Lima, Peru.

Baptists respond in wake of Hurricane Katrina's fury

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Hurricane Katrina floods streets in the 9th Ward of New Orleans. About 80 percent of the city flooded after two levees collapsed.

(Photo by Ted Jackson/NEWHOUSE NEWS SERVICE)

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By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

Texas Baptist churches, community ministries and disaster relief volunteers

mobilized in response to the needs of neighboring Louisiana when Hurricane Katrina struck.

BGCT approved \$1 million for Katrina relief efforts

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BGCT approves \$1 million for Katrina relief efforts

By Ferrell Foster

Texas Baptist Communications

DALLAS — The Baptist General Convention of Texas will direct \$1 million toward hurricane relief in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

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2nd Opinion: Missions requires response to God

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2nd Opinion: Missions requires response to God

By Carolyn Porterfield

It was one of those opportunities I relish—speaking to ministerial students about the place of missions in the church. I was noting that as Christ-followers, we are to “go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.” A student on about the second row said under his breath, “Well, that is just your opinion.” And before I considered how it would sound, I replied, “No, that is Mark 16:15.”

From our beginnings, Texas Baptists have been a people guided by God's word who believed deeply that we are to go to anyone, anywhere and share the good news of Jesus' gift of salvation. It is not a human opinion or a program, but rather the mission of God for the church.

Around the State

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James Moore, East Texas Baptist University director of choral activities, has received the Texas Choirmaster Award from the Texas Choral Director's Association. The award, which has not been presented since 1997, is the highest honor given by the organization.

According to the TCDA, the award is given to "a person who has exhibited unparalleled leadership in the choral field and is a consummate conductor and musician." Dean Tom Webster of the ETBU School of Fine Arts said, "The Texas Choirmaster Award is essentially a lifetime achievement award that is awarded only on those rare occasions when the TCDA leadership believes that an individual has made a major contribution to the art of choral music through many years of outstanding work."

Around the State

♦ An 18-hole Hunger Hounds Golf Tournament is set for Sept. 16 at Mead-owbrook Country Club in Kilgore, with all entry fees going to a church or charity of the player's choice. Ana-Lab in Kilgore is underwriting the tournament. The tournament format is a two-person scramble with a 1 p.m. start. The cost is \$150 per team. Lunch is from noon to 1 p.m. Hunger Hounds is a group of Baptist laypeople committed to feeding hungry children. Golfers make their entry fee checks payable to any church or other charity. For more information, call (903) 753-2500.

♦ More than 31,000 people attended the Franklin Graham Festival held in Corpus Christi last month, with more than 2,400 people making professions of faith for the first time.

♦ **Clara Herrera**, a second-year student at Howard Payne University, is the recipient of the Rudy and Micaela Camacho Scholarship for the 2005 academic year, provided by the Hispanic Baptist Convention of Texas. She is majoring in exercise and sports science.

Twins' Ford relies on commitment to Christ

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By George Henson

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Lew Ford's stint at Dallas Baptist University prepared him for more than life as a Major League Baseball player; it was the beginning of his spiritual journey.

Bell to be first African-American nominee for BGCT president

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By Marv Knox

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SAN ANGELO—Michael Bell, pastor of Greater St. Stephen First Baptist

Church in Fort Worth and current first vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will be nominated for president of the BGCT this fall.

BCGT to disperse staff, create service center

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DALLAS—The Baptist General Convention of Texas will disperse more of its staff across the state and create a service center to meet churches' needs more effectively, BGCT Chief Operating Officer Ron Gunter announced.