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By John Hall

Texas Baptist Communications

SAN ANGELO—Maria Luna has a Bible. She reads it and believes every word of it. And after her recent mission trip to Caracas, Venezuela, she cherishes it.

Luna, who works for the child development center at First Baptist Church in San Angelo, saw people throughout the region crave Bibles.

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Huckabee visits Ouachita, gives campaign-trail insight

By Trennis Henderson

Ouachita Baptist University

ARKADELPHIA, Ark. (ABP)—Describing some aspects of his recent presidential campaign as “just incredible fun,” former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee recently paid a brief visit to his alma mater, Ouachita Baptist University.

Huckabee, who served 10 years as Arkansas’ governor, put together a run for the Republican presidential nomination that consistently surprised critics, who early on dismissed him as an also-ran.

Former presidential candidate Mike Huckabee, a 1975 graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, visits with Ouachita students during a question-and-answer session as part of his visit to campus last week. (Jared Tohlen/OBU)

BGCT budget shortfall anticipated; cuts implemented

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BGCT budget shortfall anticipated; cuts implemented

By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

DALLAS—Anticipated 2008 Baptist General Convention of Texas income falls \$5.3 million short of the budget, requiring cutbacks in spending and staffing, according to a report to the BGCT Executive Board.

The report also calls on the board to provide greater financial oversight—particularly regarding use of investment assets, which have dropped about \$27 million in seven years.

Bible Studies for Life Series for April 20: Perseverance means going the distance

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Bible Studies for Life Series for April 20

Perseverance means going the distance

- Genesis 26:1-3,6,12-22

[By Gary Long](#)

Texas raid prompts First Baptist ministry

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Texas raid prompts First Baptist ministry

By Ken Walker

ELDORADO, Texas (BP)—A Baptist congregation housed about 80 women and children April 4-6 after a raid on the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (FLDS) near Eldorado, Texas.

Members of First Baptist Church in Eldorado embraced the opportunity to minister in Christ's name, pastor Andy Anderson said.

First Baptist also loaned the state of Texas the use of two 25-seat church buses to help transport more than 180 women and children from the 1,619-acre polygamist compound.

Missouri layman proposes Peace Committee for state convention

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Missouri layman proposes Peace Committee for state convention

By Robert Marus

Associated Baptist Press

REPUBLIC, Mo. (ABP)—As battles continue to roil the Missouri Baptist Convention, one prominent layman in the state is proposing a miniature re-creation of the Southern Baptist Convention Peace Committee.

But the convention's president—cautioning that he had not gotten a chance yet to look at the proposal—said, "I'd be in favor of everything I could do to promote and bring about peace, but I'm not sure a peace committee is going to be an answer."

Explore the Bible Series for April 20: When all hope seems lost

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Explore the Bible Series for April 20

When all hope seems lost

- Genesis 39:21; 40:2-15, 20-23

By Donald Raney

First Baptist Church, Petersburg

Have you ever felt trapped by circumstances beyond your control? Perhaps you received words from a doctor you thought you would never hear. Maybe you found yourself swept into some type of problem at your workplace.

Fundamentalists of all stripes

want to turn back the clock

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Shi'ite Muslims
burn Danish, U.S.
and Israeli flags
during a religious
procession in
Karachi. Protesters
in Pakistan are
demanding for ties
with Denmark to
be severed over
the republication
of one of several
cartoons of the
Prophet
Mohammad that
led to violence in
Muslim countries
two years ago.
(Photo by Athar
Hussain/REUTERS)

Fundamentalists of all stripes

want to turn back the clock

By Marv Knox

Editor

Despite all their theological and cultural differences, fundamentalists of every faith share at least one common characteristic—resistance to modernity.

That's the assessment of scholars and firsthand observers who have evaluated the varieties of religious expression.

Explore the Bible Series for April 13: When Tempted to Sin

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Explore the Bible Series for April 13

When Tempted to Sin

- Genesis 39:1-20

By Donald Raney

First Baptist Church, Petersburg

It is one of the truly universal characteristics of human life that everyone faces temptation. We all face them on a daily basis. Temptations come in a wide variety of forms and what might be a strong temptation for one person may not be a real issue for someone else who faces temptations in other areas.

Children go on mission with Mom

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Chris
Matthew
paints the
faces of
children
in New
Orleans
during a
block
party—a
missions
outreach
activity
led by a
missions
group
from Lake
Arlington
Baptist
Church in
Arlington,
where
Matthew's
son, John
Aaron,
serves as
college
minister.
(Photos by
Marilyn
Stewart)

Children go on mission with Mom

By Marilyn Stewart

New Orleans Seminary

NEW ORLEANS—Ten mothers and 14 children—ages 6 to 13—from Arlington traveled to New Orleans recently with one goal in mind—doing missions together.

“Children, especially boys, often look to their dads as a model for leadership,” said Gina Pierce, mother of two. “But I want my sons to see that God has called me, too.”

Hardin-Simmons honors outstanding young alumni

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Hardin-Simmons University has honored an international social worker, a hospice and health care executive and an educator as outstanding young alumni.

Dickson Masindano, Mike McMaude and Laura Pogue were the 2008 recipients of the award, presented annually to distinguished Hardin-Simmons graduates under age 45.

Masindano is director of Buckner International's work in Kenya. He earned a master of education in counseling and human development at Hardin-Simmons in 2001.

		
Laura Pogue	Dickson Masindano	Mike McMaude

Under his direction, the Baptist Children's Center in Nairobi has doubled its residential care for orphaned children, and it has developed into a comprehensive community center that offers a medical and dental clinic, an elementary school and vocational training. Masindano also introduced a pioneering foster care program that has been duplicated throughout Kenya.