

TOGETHER: Intercede for missions opportunities

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Lately, I have been reminded again of the worldwide scope of Texas Baptist work as I traveled to Vietnam with three of the strongest and most courageous leaders I know. They all are Texas Baptist pastors.

In addition to leading their congregations, Hue Nguyen is president of the Vietnamese Baptist National Fellowship, John Nguyen is president of the Vietnamese Baptist Fellowship of Texas and Daniel Tran has led in the translation of the Bible into Vietnamese and leads three theological training schools for Vietnamese pastors in Dallas, Houston and on the West Coast. At their invitation, I went with them to Hanoi, Vietnam.

Last year, these pastors asked the Baptist World Alliance to send a delegation to their homeland to intercede on behalf of the Baptists there and express their desire for full recognition and normalization of relationships with the government of their country. It was touch-and-go as to whether we would get the audience, but with the help of President Jimmy Carter, we were graciously received both by the office of religious affairs and by the leader of the Fatherland Front of Vietnam.



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SBC annual meeting attendance expected to jump this year

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By Tony Cartledge, *N.C. Biblical Recorder*

& **Greg Warner**, *Associated Baptist Press*

GREENSBORO, N.C. (ABP) — After a decade of steady decline, attendance at the Southern Baptist Convention is expected to jump this year, amid

ripples of unrest with the current leadership and the first openly contested presidential election since 1994.

Several estimates suggest at least 10,000 Southern Baptist messengers are charting a course for Greensboro, N.C., where the SBC annual meeting will be held June 13-14. But if interest continues to grow in the final weeks, there could be several thousand more.

CBF aids flood victims in Serbia, Zambia

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By Carla Wynn

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

ATLANTA (ABP)—The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship has given \$10,000 in flood-relief assistance to disaster areas in Serbia and Zambia.

Cybercolumn By John Duncan: Sweet, sweet pie

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CYBER COLUMN: Sweet, sweet pie

By John Duncan

I'm sitting here under the old oak tree, thinking of pie and crust, of sweetness and hardship, of happiness and sadness. On numerous occasions over the years in this column, I have written about Ruth Stewart. She played the organ for our church many years ago. She passed away not long ago. I dedicate this column to her daughter, Kathleen Stewart.

Ruth died two days after her 96th birthday, having been born on April 26, 1910. She was born to J.L and Cora Crane. J.L. was a Baptist preacher and carpenter.

John Duncan

On the Move

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On the Move

- **Ken Bangs** to River Christian Fellowship in Texarkana as pastor.
 - **Larry Barnett** to First Church in Refugio as supply music director.
 - **Jeff Bishop** to CrossTrails Church in Commerce as pastor.
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RIGHT or WRONG?: Is the 'Social Gospel' secularism?

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RIGHT or WRONG? Is the 'Social Gospel' secularism?

I've heard this statement, "The gospel is both personal and social." I get the personal part, but doesn't the "social" angle launch us into a secular, liberal, more humanistic direction? How should I

understand this idea of both personal and social application of the gospel?

Family Bible Series for May 28: Mary's life demonstrates unwavering focus

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Family Bible Series for May 28

Mary's life demonstrates unwavering focus

- Luke 10:38-42; John 12:1-8

By Greg Ammons

Explore the Bible Series for May 28: Micah describes the deliverer of Jerusalem

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Explore the Bible Series for May 28

Micah describes the deliverer of Jerusalem

- Micah 1:1-7:20

By James Adair

Baptist University of the Americas, San Antonio

Imagine you live in a place and time where you and your neighbors struggle to make ends meet day after day, year after year. Your political leaders over the past several years have varied from bad to worse. It is certain they have been more concerned with their own well-being than with that of their subjects.

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- [Reviewed in this issue:](#) *Finding Our Way Home: Turning Back to What Matters Most* by Mark R. McMinn, *Seventeen Roadblocks on the Highway of Life: And How to Move Around Them* by Brian Harbour and *Holy Blood, Holy Grail: The Secret History of Jesus, The Shocking Legacy of the Grail* by Michael Baigent, Richard Leigh and Henry Lincoln.



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Frank Page, South Carolina pastor, to face Floyd in SBC race

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Frank Page, South Carolina pastor, to face Floyd in SBC race

By Greg Warner & Robert Marus

Associated Baptist Press

TAYLORS, S.C. (ABP)—Frank Page, a South Carolina pastor with a record of strong financial support of the denomination's budget, reportedly will be nominated for Southern Baptist Convention president next month.

BaptistWay Bible Series for May 28: A parent's worst

nightmare

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BaptistWay Bible Series for May 28

A parent's worst nightmare

• 2 Samuel 13:20-21, 30-33; 14:25-15:10; 18:6-15, 33

By Joseph Matos

Cybercolumn by Brett Younger: My speech to the high school seniors

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CYBER COLUMN: My speech to the high school seniors

By Brett Younger

Your alarm goes off way too early. It's irritating, but you're used to

ignoring it. Then your mother starts her imitation of your alarm, which is harder to ignore. You plead, “Five more minutes, Mom.” She bellows, “You don’t have five minutes,” but you know you do, if you skip the milk and put your fruit loops in a plastic bag you can eat in the car.

The bathroom mirror is also irritating. Your hair looks like you slept on it, while wearing a hat, and being electrocuted. You sprinkle some water on your head and hope for the best.

Brett Younger
