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By Greg Warner & John Pierce

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MACON, Ga. (ABP)—Mercer University trustees appear poised to elect Baylor University Interim President Bill Underwood as the Georgia Baptist school's president.

Faith motivates volunteers engaged in community service

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By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

WACO—Christians who work in soup kitchens, homeless shelters and other community ministries want meaningful relationships with the people they serve. But their relationship with God motivates them more than any expectation of changing other people, a recent study revealed.

Disinterested students discover Christ in university classes

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By Teresa Young

Wayland Baptist University

AIEA, Hawaii—Rob Lockridge understands spiritual transformation. In his six years of serving as adjunct instructor in religion at Wayland Baptist

University's campus in Hawaii, Lockridge has seen plenty of students go from a total disinterest and disdain for the Bible to accepting Jesus as their Savior.

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CLOVIS, N.M.—Raymond Atchley admits he was unsure of his faith when he enrolled at Wayland Baptist University's campus in Clovis, N.M., a few years ago.

Cyber Column by John Duncan: Life of a pastor

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CYBER COLUMN: Life of a pastor

By John Duncan

I'm sitting here under the old oak tree, musing with laughter over the life of a pastor. The poet Langston Hughes has a line in one of his poems about the "circus of civilization." I, from time to time, refer to myself as the ringmaster of the circus. As a pastor, I find myself in situations that God must deem painful, laughable or, at the least, enjoyable.

John Duncan

My mind drifts to the past—one July day years ago, when a teenager fell through the roof of a boat dock and splashed in the water, and his body lodged beneath a rock, and he drowned. The sadness of his mother holding him in the ambulance still haunts my memory. The blood and the grief and the collision of "shoulda, coulda, woulda," or at worst, "if only I had" In grief, people think of everything that might have changed the situation that led to death. The horror of the boy's death, the wailing of the mother, and the flashing red light of the ambulance still reverberate in my mind.

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By Lonnie Wilkey

Baptist and Reflector

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (ABP)—Belmont University has decided not to remain affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention, which helped found the school in 1952.

Right or Wrong? Fair trade coffee

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Fair trade coffee

I've heard about Fair Trade coffee, which supposedly provides a decent wage to overseas coffee growers. What's right or wrong with how we buy groceries? Since being asked to respond to this question, I have (a) been told that if I have time to research Fair Trade coffee, I have too much time and (b) had more coffee than I should while working on this project. I also have realized the ethical issues surrounding coffee are far more significant than (a) defending myself when friends cite studies that “prove” coffee consumption is bad for you or (b) deciding what is worse, shelling out \$2.75 for a latte or a gallon of gasoline. I have discovered that, in addition to deciding between a latte and a cappuccino, I need to decide whether or not to purchase coffee with a Fair Trade logo.

BaptistWay Bible Series for

Nov. 20: Wasted potential is a danger all face

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Wasted potential is a danger all face

• Judges 13:1-7; 16:18-30

By Ronnie Prevost

Explore the Bible Series for Nov. 20: When evil closes in, remember God's promises

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When evil closes in, remember God's promises

• Romans 8:15-27

By Trey Turner

Friends, family recall Lake's legacy at funeral

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By Eric Guel

Texas Baptist Communications

WACO—Funeral participants said it was only appropriate to remember Kyle Lake on All Saints Day, two days after the 33-year-old pastor of University Baptist Church died after being electrocuted while standing in a baptistery.

Court considers congregation's right to use hallucinogenic tea

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By Robert Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON (ABP)—Hearing a case on All Saints' Day, the Supreme Court struggled with the rights of a tiny Christian group whose members believe the road to sainthood is lined with cups of a hallucinogenic tea the federal government considers dangerous.

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WASHINGTON (ABP)—If Samuel Alito is confirmed to the Supreme Court, it will give the court a Roman Catholic majority for the first time in its

history.