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Staff Writer

DALLAS-Love may not fit in a box, but students at Dallas Baptist University hope children who receive shoeboxes filled with goodies will know someone cared enough to send a token of their love.

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Don't worry about the Loch Ness Monster and/or Bigfoot. They don't exist.

If they did, we would've found them.

Joanna and I spent the better part of a Saturday helping our youngest daughter, Molly, clean her room. We didn't encounter any world-famous monsters, but that's about the only thing we didn't find.

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Parents and youth ministers have a new tool to use in their efforts to fight

drug use among teens. And it's free.

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So now we wait.

Waiting, particularly waiting patiently, is not an American virtue. You know you're wound just a little too tightly when you get annoyed because the microwave doesn't heat your pre-cooked dinner fast enough. You're on the impatient side when you order movie tickets online so you won't have to wait in line to buy them at the cineplex. Americans by the millions are signing up for broadband Internet access so we won't have to wait for our computers to download pictures and songs and all the other "instant" data available at the click of a mouse.

But we wait for Christmas. The Christmas season-called Advent by Baptists

and others not worried about being considered “too Catholic”—follows an arc determined by the calendar. It covers the span of four Sundays, usually from the Sunday immediately following Thanksgiving to the Sunday before Christmas. It moves at the timeless pace trod by Christians for nearly two millennia.

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President Fang Jianzhuang (left) of the Gaungdong Teachers College of Foreign Language and Arts in China and President Bob Riley of East Texas Baptist University in Marshall sign an agreement to continue a program allowing the exchange of professors and students from both schools for a semester or longer. The two schools have had a relationship since 1991.

News of religion, faith, missions, Bible study and Christian ministry among Texas Baptist churches, in the BGCT, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and around the world.

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Remember the mercy God has shown to you

Luke 15:18-32

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Chinese Baptist Church, Arlington

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Christmas reminds us of the possibilities

Luke 1:26-38, 46-56

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Enthusiasm for Christ should be contagious

John 1:35-50

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Baptist Standard, Dallas

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Luke 1:26-38, 2:1-20

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FORT WORTH-Eugene Florence, 100, will receive a master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth during the seminary's commencement ceremony at Travis Avenue Baptist Church Dec. 10.

Eugene
Florence

Florence-who was featured in the Baptist Standard earlier this year-was 39 years old when he enrolled at the seminary in 1943 when only night classes were offered to black students. He took classes two nights a week for eight years before receiving a diploma in theology.

Southwestern Seminary began offering courses to black students at "Negro extension centers" in Beaumont, Austin, Waco and Mexia in 1940. But not until 1950 did seminary trustees pass a policy that allowed black students to be admitted to graduate level theological education.

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Twenty-plus missions photos by Don Rutledge from around the world are featured in the first exhibit at the Great Commission Gallery at First Baptist Church in Temple. (Bill Bangham Photo)

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By Bill Bangham

SBC International Mission Board

TEMPLE (BP)-Warm walls, wood floor and generous lighting set the stage for simply framed photographs spaced precisely about the room. People,

plates of finger food in hand, circle the exhibit while a string ensemble and keyboard play beneath the murmur of quiet conversation.

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A screen projects an image of Billy Graham, 86, at the four-day Greater Los Angeles Billy Graham Crusade at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif.

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By Marshall Allen

Religion News Service

PASADENA, Calif. (RNS)-At 86, Billy Graham moves a little more slowly. But his four-day California crusade revealed the evangelist still can fill stadiums with his classic presentation of the gospel.