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**By John Pierce**

*Baptists Today*

AMERICUS, Ga.-Millard Fuller, the Baptist layman who founded Habitat for Humanity International with his wife, Linda, in 1976, will relinquish the title of chief executive officer but continue as “founding president” of the housing ministry.

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Dawn Larley (left) of Handley Baptist Church in Fort Worth cleans the kitchen of fellow church member Geneva Moore (middle). Handley Pastor Robert Bennett (right) rakes the yard

## Fort Worth church shows love by 'sweating for Jesus'

**By George Henson**

*Staff Writer*

FORT WORTH-Sixty members of Handley Baptist Church recently converged to turn a house back into a home.

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The Texas Baptist Historical Society at its fall meeting in San Antonio will examine how Baptist associations have handled issues of doctrinal diversity.

Paul Stripling, director of missions emeritus of Waco Baptist Association, will present the program, focusing on ways associations have dealt with topics such as charismatic worship, alien immersion and the ordination of women.

The society's lunch meeting will be at 10:45 a.m., Nov. 8 in San Antonio's Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center, prior to the Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting.

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# **Texas hunger offering helps support development projects around the world\_101804**

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**By Ferrell Foster**

*Texas Baptists Communications*

BANGALORE, India-A 4-year-old boy in Bangalore, India, who was born with his feet turned backwards can walk today because of a ministry supported through the Texas Baptist Offering for World Hunger.

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## **Christians from Iraq flee rising Islamic fundamentalism\_101804**

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By Dale Gavlak

*Religion News Service*

AMMAN, Jordan (RNS)-Iraqi Christians flocked to the Latin Catholic church in the Hashmi district of the Jordanian capital, a drab working-class area, where they celebrated Mass in the ancient Chaldean language.

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## Louisiana College selects assistant dean at Southwestern Seminary as new president\_101804

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# **at Southwestern Seminary as new president**

PINEVILLE, La. (ABP)-Trustees of Louisiana College announced that Malcolm Yarnell of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary will be the embattled school's eighth president.

Yarnell, assistant dean of theological studies and associate professor of systemic theology at Southwestern Seminary, was offered the job after a closed-door session of trustees.

"Today is a great day for the college," emphasized Ed Tarpley of Pineville, La., who headed the presidential search committee.

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Jonathan  
Marin hugs  
Decisions for  
Life program  
director  
Christina Diaz  
in celebration  
of his  
selection to  
the advisory  
panel for the  
National  
Campaign to  
Prevent Teen  
Pregnancy.  
He is the only  
Texan among  
the 22 youth  
named to the  
working  
group which  
will meet in  
Washington,  
D.C., three  
times during  
their 18-  
month  
service. They  
also will serve  
as national  
spokesmen  
for media  
outlets. (Craig  
Bird Photo)

# Sexual abstinence program changes teen's life

**By Craig Bird**

*Baptist Child & Family Services*

SAN ANTONIO—Four years ago, Jonathan Marin didn't know what an abstinence program was. Today, he's a nationally recognized leader in the effort to lower the incidence of pregnancy among teenagers, and he credits a program of Baptist Child & Family Services with changing his life.

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# 'Godfather' of Religious Right dead in Memphis at age 78

**By Robert Marus**

*ABP Washington Bureau*

WASHINGTON (ABP)—A Southern Baptist layman credited with being the “godfather” of the modern Religious Right is dead at age 78.

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# **Micah Challenge sets goal of cutting worldwide poverty in half by 2015\_101804**

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**By Greg Warner**

*Associated Baptist Press*

NEW YORK (ABP)—Christian leaders from around the world are launching a major anti-poverty initiative this month in New York City with an ambitious goal-to cut worldwide poverty in half by 2015.

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## **New NAMB church-starting**

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DALLAS—Guidelines adopted by the Southern Baptist North American Mission Board that require members of new churches to affirm biblical inerrancy and male-only deacons will not impact church-starting efforts funded through the Baptist General Convention of Texas, Executive Director Charles Wade insists.

“Texas Baptists have their eyes firmly set on a path that leads to hundreds of new churches in coming years,” Wade said. “Our church starters will continue to help open congregation doors under the same standards and requirements that we have used for years.”

Mission board trustees voted Oct. 6 to approve a 34-page document titled “Ecclesiological Guidelines to Inform Southern Baptist Church Planters.”

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**—BGCT  
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### **On the Move**

**Dwight Foster** has resigned as pastor of Primera Iglesia in Goliad.

- ◆ **Greg Horn** to Bois D'Arc Creek Cowboy Church in Fannin County as

interim pastor.

♦ **Jerry Hutchings** has resigned as pastor of Oaklawn Church in Texarkana.

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WASHINGTON (ABP)-A new survey commissioned by an Islamic civil-rights group offers both good news and bad for American Muslims.