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By Tom Edwards

The U.S. Constitution says, "All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress" (Article 1, Section 1).

But the Constitution has been amended to state, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof" (First Amendment) and, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people" (Tenth Amendment).

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We didn't eat any pot-luck dinners, but this year's Baptist General Convention of Texas annual session in Lubbock felt a lot like a family reunion.

If your extended family is like ours, you usually only get together for weddings and funerals. We had neither in Lubbock. But the vote to affirm the BGCT's partnership with Mexican Baptists felt a lot like a wedding. And the memorials committee's lovely report helped us give thanks for the lives of dear sisters and brothers who went home to be with the Lord this past year.



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Editor

A change in format set the tone for this year's BGCT get-together. The planning committee replaced hours and hours and hours of business sessions with four workshop sessions, where participants learned more about missions, ministries and issues facing Baptists in Texas. Of course, we still conducted business, but we had time to learn from each other.

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Missions and ministries muscled their way to the forefront of the Baptist General Convention of Texas' consciousness Nov. 10-11 in Lubbock.

In a time when the BGCT doesn't have nearly enough funds to accomplish all it needs to do, that development must make an impact on how the convention spends its money. The next logical step is a serious study of the budgeting process in light of our priorities.

Messengers to the BGCT annual session took several steps themselves, solidifying the convention's priority on missions and ministries. They:

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By John Duncan

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By David Jenkins

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By Michael Leathers

Associated Baptist Press

MARYVILLE, Ill. (ABP)—Messengers to the Illinois Baptist State Association's annual meeting soundly rejected a last-minute attempt to make the 2000 Baptist Faith & Message its official faith statement.

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By Mike Creswell

SBC International Mission Board

CENTRAL IRAQ (BP)-Iraqis cheered as a volunteer team moved through their neighborhood to give out cartons of food sent by Southern Baptist churches across America.

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OUT OF ORDER: Ten Commandments judge ousted

By Robert Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (ABP) -Halfway through his term, "Ten Commandments judge" Roy Moore has been ousted as the head of Alabama's judicial system.

Texas Baptist Forum_111703

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TEXAS BAPTIST FORUM:

Intestinal fortitude

I am all for this new anti-partial-birth abortion law.

Partial-birth abortion was not supposed to be a lifestyle choice for would-be parents. It was to be used to end a pregnancy for those children with serious problems.


E-mail the editor at marvknox@baptiststandard.com

The children who are aborted are considered to be alive and have all the same rights as anyone else. Most are “viable,” and both sides agree.

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By Vicki Brown

Missouri Word & Way

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (ABP)-A Missouri judge has given an initial legal victory to one of the institutions locked in a messy legal spat with the Missouri Baptist Convention.

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By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (ABP)-Conservative David Horton was elected president of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Nov. 11 in what was anticipated as a make-or-break election for moderate Baptists in the state.

On the Move_111703

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Ron Allen to Avenue D Church in Brownwood as pastor.

◆ **Abraham Alendariz** to Iglesia Calvario in Buckholts as pastor.

◆ **Robert Bennett** to Handley Church in Fort Worth as pastor from Freedom Church in Amarillo.