

Around the State: Brazilian pastor speaks at Wayland

April 4, 2014

Paulo Lino, pastor of Sinai Baptist Church in Salvador, Brazil, delivered [Wayland Baptist University's](#) McCoy Missions Lectures. Lino, who has served in ministry 40 years, told students the key to happiness is fearing and serving God.

[Christian Wiman](#), senior lecturer in religion and literature at the



Christian Wiman Yale Institute of Sacred Music, is the featured speaker at [Hardin-Simmons University's](#) Lawrence Clayton Poets and Writers Speakers Series, April 14. Wiman was born and grew up in Snyder. He will speak in the chapel service, answer questions during a 4 p.m. session, read poetry at 8 p.m. and sign his books at a 9 p.m. reception.

[Buckner Children and Family Services](#) will present a free foster care and adoption information meeting April 17 at 7 p.m. at 5200 Buckner Boulevard in Dallas. Participants will receive an overview of foster care and adoption options in Texas, including foster-to-adopt, Waiting Texas Children and domestic infant adoption programs. For information or a reservation to attend, [click here](#).

Young evangelicals at [Hardin-Simmons University](#) held a day of prayer and action on climate change April 3 as a part of a weeklong series of events on 20 Christian campuses across the United States.

Twenty-four [Dallas Baptist University](#) students, faculty and staff

traveled to Washington D.C. with the school's Cook School of Leadership. Students studied leadership and power through the examination of the lives of America's founding fathers. Some of the sites visited were the White House, the Capitol, the Supreme Court building and the Library of Congress.

Christian rapper and author Trip Lee spoke at an [East Texas Baptist University](#) chapel service about grace and gift of salvation.

Anniversaries

New Jerusalem Baptist Church in Plainview, 30th, March 16. Joshua Williams is pastor.

Carl George, fifth, as pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Chandler, April 1.

Jerry Becknal, 10th, as pastor of Cranes Mill Baptist Church in Canyon Lake, April 4.

Edward Murrell, 10th, as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Flint, April 13.

Greg Tanner, 30th, as associate pastor of worship at First Baptist Church in Vernon.

James Doremus III, 10th, as pastor of Memorial Drive Baptist Church in Houston.

Bobby Catt, fifth, as minister of students at First Baptist Church in San Angelo.

Joyce Still, fifth, as children's ministry coordinator at South Garland Baptist Church in Garland.

Retiring

Jack Blease, as pastor of Ridin' for the Brand Cowboy Church in Sanger. He was the founding the pastor of the church and served six years.

Tom Williams, as administrator at South Main Baptist Church in Houston.

Ordained

Mike Coffey to the ministry at College View Baptist Church in Abilene.

Kirk Vinson and **Randal Wiginton** as deacons at Lytle South Baptist Church in Abilene.

Revival

Macedonia-Hix Baptist Church, Caldwell; April 13-16; evangelist, Mark Edworthy; pastor, Fred Hornaday.