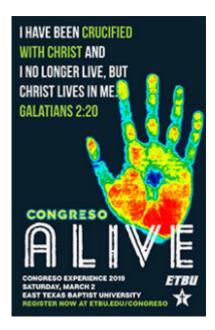
Around the State: Bush speaks at DBU, ETBU hosts Congreso event

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Dallas Baptist University held its 27th annual Patriots baseball banquet Feb. 8. **Devlin Granberg**, former member of the DBU Patriots baseball team and now part of the Boston Red Sox organization, was honored at the banquet. He was named the Society for American Baseball Research Metroplex Player of the Year after leading the nation in hits and setting single-season school records in batting average, hits, on-base percentage and stolen bases. About 1,500 people filled the Patty and Bo Pilgrim Chapel for a related event featuring former President **George W. Bush. Pete Delkus**, chief meteorologist at WFAA-TV and member of the DBU board of trustees, moderated a question-and-answer time with Bush, who discussed faith, family, service, leadership and baseball. Bush spoke about leadership lessons gleaned from a life of service, emphasizing the importance of maintaining priorities and possessing guiding principles that never waver, whether in victory or defeat. **Dan Heefner**, head coach of the DBU Patriots baseball team, also spoke. East Texas Baptist University will host a Congreso Experience from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on March 2 in partnership with Texas Baptists. The free event, specifically designed for Hispanic students, will include workshops, corporate worship and group activities. To register, click <u>here</u>.



Run the Race, a family-friendly faith-based movie, premieres in theaters Feb. 22. **Jake McEntire**, a member of The Village Church in Flower Mound, wrote the screenplay when he was a student at Dallas Baptist University. His DBU classmate **Trey Brunson** is an executive producer of the movie, along with former Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow and his brother, Robby.

"Pursue" is the theme of the Woman's Missionary Union of Texas annual meeting and missions celebration, April 5-6 at First Woodway Baptist Church in Waco. **Sandy Wisdom-Martin**, executive director-treasurer of national WMU, is keynote speaker. Adult registration cost is \$25. Teenagers attend at no cost. To register, click <u>here</u>.



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The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor began Black History Month with a chapel service featuring brothers **BerThaddaeus Bailey**, policy and research analyst for the State of Oklahoma, who presented a dramatic delivery of Martin Luther King Jr.'s last public speech, and **Bertholomew** "**Prophet**" **Bailey**, director of Baptist Collegiate Ministry at Langston University, who preached a message of inclusion and unity in diversity.

Anniversary

150th for First Baptist Church in Hearne. **James Hooper** is pastor. The church will mark the anniversary with a special worship service April 14. **David Hardage**, executive director of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will be the guest speaker. **Michael T. Smith**, a former music and youth minister at the church will lead the music, along with a choir composed of former members of the Living Soul youth choir in the 1970s. A meal will follow the worship service.