

Around the State: Church gives school supplies to students

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[**Fielder Church in Arlington**](#) will distribute school supplies to under-resourced students in East Arlington Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. The supplies, donated by the members of the church, will be in backpacks filled according to grade-specific supply lists. The supplies will be distributed at a back-to-school carnival held at Hutcheson Junior High. This marks the third year the church has hosted the carnival, and in previous years, members gave more than 1,000 backpacks to students. In addition to the supplies, the carnival will feature food, games, inflatables and a disc jockey. Fielder Church operates a satellite campus with a Spanish service at the school. Gary Smith is pastor.

[**East Texas Baptist University**](#) will hold its fourth-annual Great East Texas Hymn Sing Sept. 12 at 1 p.m. in Baker Auditorium of the Ornelas Spiritual Life Center. At 10:30 a.m., a presentation titled “Presidential Praise: Our Presidents and Their Hymns,” will be led by Ed Spann, retired dean of fine arts at Dallas Baptist University. The multimedia program will be held in the Edwards Conference Room in that building. A \$15 lunch will be served at noon. Make reservations for lunch by calling (903) 923-2042.

[**Buckner International**](#) is asking Texas Baptists to donate \$25 for a pair of shoes on North Texas Giving Day. Donations made between 7 a.m. and midnight Sept. 18 on the website www.northtexasgivingday.org will receive bonus funds from the Communities Foundation of Texas. Participants will need to designate Buckner International as the nonprofit organization they choose.

Anniversaries

DeWayne Richardson, 45th, as pastor of Highland Park Baptist Church in El Paso, July 27.

First Baptist Church in Littlefield, 100th, Sept. 6-7. Festivities will begin on Saturday with an 8:30 a.m. color run. The cost for the run is \$20. An open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A dinner and program will begin at 6 p.m. The dinner will cost \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under age 10. A noon meal will be held after the morning service on Sunday. Guest speakers will include Charles Broadhurst. Brian Hill is pastor.