

Around the State: Volunteers needed in Houston area

August 10, 2016

Texas Baptists' Disaster Recovery program and Texas Baptist Men are mobilizing volunteers to repair flood-damaged homes in the greater Houston area Aug. 25-27, Sept. 29-Oct. 1 and Oct. 27-29. Volunteers will serve uninsured, underinsured, disabled and elderly families and individuals affected by floods. Help is needed to hang drywall; tape, bed and texture walls; install ceramic floor tile; install doors; do trim work; roof houses; remove debris; and provide mold remediation. To sign up, click [here](#). To provide funds for building materials, furniture and appliances, click [here](#). For more information, call **Marla Bearden** at (214) 537-7358 or **Gerald Davis** at (214) 924-6401.

Anniversaries

First Baptist Church in Hale Center, 125th, Aug. 7. **Kris Knippa** is pastor.

River City Baptist Church in San Angelo, 20th, Aug. 14. **Ed Lopez** is pastor.

Roger Marsh, 20th as coordinator of the TxARM ministry at Texas Motor Speedway in Fort Worth.

Joe Lynn Rogers, 20th as pastor of Morgan Mill Baptist Church in Morgan Mill.

Stephanie Gates, 10th as director of the Baptist Student Ministry at the University of North Texas.

Taylor Sandlin, 10th as pastor of Southland Baptist Church in San Angelo.



Ron Lyles will celebrate his 35th anniversary as pastor of South Main Baptist Church in Pasadena. South Main Baptist Church in Pasadena will celebrate the 35th anniversary of **Ron Lyles** as pastor Aug. 21. **Duane Brooks**, pastor of Tallowood Baptist Church in Houston, will be the guest speaker at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. The Lyles family will be recognized during an informal come-and-go reception in South Main's family life center from 2 to 4 p.m. Lyles is past chair of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board.

Retirement

Donn Wisdom as minister of music and worship arts at Trinity Baptist Church in San Antonio.

Fielder Church in Arlington will mark the 25th anniversary and retirement of **Gary Smith** as senior pastor, Aug. 14. Special events begin Aug. 12 when Smith throws out the ceremonial first pitch at the 7 p.m. Texas Rangers game at Globe Life Park. During a 10 a.m. service on Aug. 14 at the church's Arlington campus, Mayor **Jeff Williams** will issue a proclamation declaring Gary Smith Day in Arlington. Guest speakers include former mayor **Richard Greene**, **Tillie Burgin** of Mission Arlington and **Dwight McKissic** of Cornerstone Baptist Church in Arlington. **Jason Paredes** is lead pastor at Fielder Church.

Revival

First Baptist Church in Gonzales; Sept. 18-21; evangelist, D.L. Lowrie; music, Sam Craig; pastor, Chris Irving.