

Celebrating Churches: Shiloh Church celebrates relocation

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Shiloh Baptist Church held its first worship service at its new facility, 2525 N. Buckner Blvd., on Sunday, Feb. 1. Ronald Session, senior pastor, said the move to East Dallas gives the church an opportunity to rethink and reimagine its history. The congregation previously met in Garland for 77 years.



First Baptist Church of San Antonio celebrated its 165th anniversary on Jan. 18, marking more than a century and a half of ministry in downtown San Antonio. The church was founded Jan. 20, 1861. Chris Johnson is the senior pastor.

David Butts is retiring after 44 years in ministry serving the Lord, children, and their families. He spent the last 23 years at First Baptist Church in Arlington. Butts will retire Sunday, Feb. 8. He came to the church in 2002 and previously served as an intern there while attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he graduated in 1988. Before returning to First Baptist Arlington, he served at Park Cities Baptist

Church in Dallas. Butts is married to Lori. They have two daughters and three grandchildren.