

# **Almost all churches meeting in person but attendance lags**

November 4, 2021

The percentage of U.S. Protestant churches meeting in person is comparable to the time before COVID-19, but overall attendance has not yet reached pre-pandemic levels.

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# **Young ministers want greater involvement in BGCT**

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Some young ministers want to see Millennials and Generation Z represent at least 25 percent of full-time Baptist General Convention of Texas staff and 25 percent of the convention's Executive Board and committee members by 2025.

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# **Around the State: BWA**

# **president speaks at DBU**

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At his first stop in the United States after being elected president of the Baptist World Alliance, Argentinian Baptist leader Tomás Mackey delivered the T.B. Maston Lecture in Christian Ethics at Dallas Baptist University

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# **Mentoring key to growth at New Mexico church**

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A big part of the rebirth of First Baptist Church in Las Vegas, N.M., can be attributed to one man's willingness to share and another's willingness to listen.

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# **Voters approve ban on state limiting religious gatherings**

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Voters approved eight amendments to the Texas Constitution on Nov. 2, including one barring the state from limiting religious services.

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# **High court weighs if Texas abortion ban may stay in effect**

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The U.S. Supreme Court questioned multiple lawyers for nearly three hours Nov. 1 regarding whether Texas' ban on heartbeat abortions may continue to be enforced.

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# **SBC Executive Committee meets to discuss legal issues**

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The Southern Baptist Executive Committee has enlisted a national law firm to offer counsel related to an investigation into its handling of sexual abuse claims.

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# **Johnston named executive director of BWA Women**

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After a global search, Baptist World Alliance Women appointed Merritt Johnston—a graduate of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor—as executive director.

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# **Most Americans support church-state separation**

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Americans do not want to see the United States declared a Christian country, and they do not want to forsake the separation of church and state, a new Pew Research study finds.

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# **Samford pulls Meacham over Planned Parenthood ties**

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Noted historian and presidential biographer Jon Meacham has been

uninvited from Samford University's inaugural celebrations for their 19th president, Beck Taylor, over concerns about his ties to Planned Parenthood.

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## **Tony Evans discusses Kingdom Race Theology**

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God uses circumstances in society to draw people near to him, Dallas Pastor Tony Evans said, comparing the approach to his own courtship with his late wife Lois.

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## **Baylor and Harvard researchers explore human flourishing**

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Baylor University researchers are partnering with Harvard University scholars in a \$43.4 million international project to investigate the factors that influence human flourishing.