

# **TBM volunteers respond to far-flung disasters**

September 26, 2018

From North Carolina to West Texas, Texas Baptist Men disaster relief volunteers continue to meet needs of families and individuals whose homes have been damaged by high winds, rising water or fallen trees.

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# **Around the State: Community service part of ETBU Family Weekend**

September 26, 2018

During Family Weekend at East Texas Baptist University, more than 60 students and family members participated in Tigers Serve community service activities throughout the Marshall area.

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# **On the Move: Drake, Garcia,**

# **Gartman and Slaughter**

September 26, 2018

Staff changes noted for congregations in Fort Worth, San Angelo and Waco.

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## **Executive Board approves decreased 2019 BGCT budget**

September 26, 2018

The Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board approved a 2019 budget based on \$1 million less than this year's spending plan.

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## **BGCT receives \$1 million for church health initiatives**

September 26, 2018

The Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio awarded a \$1 million grant to the Baptist General Convention of Texas to fund health initiatives for South Texas churches and their ministers.

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# **SBC president's sexual abuse advisory study underway**

September 26, 2018

The Southern Baptist Convention's sexual abuse advisory study is "actively involved" in the first phase of its two-year process, and the SBC Executive Committee appropriated \$250,000 for the study.

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# **Crackdown on Nigerian Muslim group could spark militancy**

September 26, 2018

Analysts worry killings of its leaders could convince the Islamic Movement of Nigeria to follow in the footsteps of Boko Haram, the militant group that has wrought havoc in Nigeria for years.

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# **Rebel force attacks Baptist churches in Burma**

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Ethnic Wa rebels this month shut down churches or destroyed their buildings and temporarily detained several clergymen in eastern Burma, also known as Myanmar, Morning Star News reported.

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# **Dallas church desires justice in Botham Jean's death**

September 26, 2018

A Dallas church gathered to worship—and ask “why”— just days after the inexplicable killing of 26-year-old Botham Jean in his own apartment.

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# **Baylor and BGCT relaunch BSM as chartered organization**

September 26, 2018

After two decades when Baptist Student Ministries functioned a part of Baylor University's student life office, the university and the Baptist

General Convention of Texas relaunched BSM as a chartered on-campus student organization.

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## **WorldCrafts expands aid for children's causes**

September 26, 2018

WorldCrafts, the fair trade division of Woman's Missionary Union, has launched a new initiative to benefit the work of Lifeline Children's Services and families adopting domestically or internationally through Lifeline.

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## **CBF seeks to defend restrictions on predatory lending**

September 26, 2018

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship has asked to join litigation to defend regulation intended to restrict payday lending practices it considers predatory.