

BGCT annual meeting seeks to ignite hope, beginning with ministry in Amarillo

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Texas Baptists will assemble at the Amarillo Civic Center for his year's Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting. But that's simply the launching point for service in multiple ministry points.

Fred Shuttlesworth, civil rights pioneer, dies at 89 (Revised)

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Fred Shuttlesworth, the last of the “Big Three” of the civil rights movement with Ralph Abernathy and Martin Luther King, died Oct. 5. He was 89.

Texas Tidbits

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The second annual hunger luncheon, scheduled in conjunction with the Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting, will be at 11 a.m. on

Oct. 25 in Heritage Room A4 of the Amarillo Civic Center.

On the Move

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Ramon Aranda to Jerusalem Church in Natalia as pastor.

Around the State

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Baylor University's Truett Seminary will hold its annual Parchman lectures Oct. 11-13. Scot McKnight, professor of religious studies at North Park University in Chicago, will be the featured speaker.

Supreme Court hears arguments in important church-

state case

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The U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments Oct. 5 in a closely watched case involving a church's right to hire or fire ministers for reasons like religious doctrine that in other settings would be job discrimination.

High court says World Vision can hire only Christians

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The U.S. Supreme Court has upheld a lower-court ruling that the Christian humanitarian organization World Vision can fire employees over religious doctrine.

BWA voices solidarity with Iranian pastor facing death sentence

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An international Baptist leader called on Baptists around the world to call on their government leaders to advocate on behalf of an Iranian pastor sentenced to death after refusing to recant his faith.

HSU conference explores lasting influence of KJV Bible

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References from the King James Version of the Bible permeate language, said Larry Brunner, senior professor of English at Hardin-Simmons University.

Haitian Baptist leader released unharmed

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The Haitian Baptist leader who was kidnapped early Sept. 29 was released unharmed later that day without a ransom payment, the Baptist World Alliance reported Sept. 30.

Baptist leader in Haiti kidnapped

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Emmanuel Pierre, general secretary of the Baptist Convention of Haiti, has been kidnapped. The incident occurred in Cap-Haïtien, the second largest city in Haiti, and where the convention offices are located.

White House condemns death sentence for Iranian Christian

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The White House condemned Sept. 29 the conviction of a pastor sentenced to death for converting from Islam to Christianity in Iran.