

Some churches cancel children's Sunday school

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Don't look for children's Sunday school classes at Ridgewood Church in Port Arthur. And forget about scavenger hunts and water park trips. The youth ministry is no more.

Survival tips for good-guy lobbyists

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A public policy expert told community ministry leaders the keys to being affective advocates with lawmakers are to define the problems that need addressing, research the issues and build coalitions with others who care about the issue.

Why are American churches

losing people with less education?

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A recent study reporting white Americans without college degrees are dropping out of church faster than their higher-educated counterparts has several possible explanations, researchers said.

Partnership with German Baptists blesses LaGrange church

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First Baptist Church in La Grange has hit a home run with hits baseball camp ministry in Germany.

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The U.S. State Department has designated eight nations as the most

serious violators of religious freedom. The list of "Countries of Particular Concern" includes Burma, China, Eritrea, Iran, North Korea, Saudi Arabia, Sudan and Uzbekistan.

Movie challenges husbands and fathers to be ‘Courageous’

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Courageous—the latest movie produced by Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Ga.—offers a 21st century representation of a call first uttered in the Old Testament.

Study probes reasons why college students leave church

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A six-year study of about 500 Christian youth group members examines why 61 percent of 20-somethings who regularly attended church as teenagers later left the pews.

Church Under the Bridge celebrates changed lives

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For many, the underpass where Interstate 35 crosses South 5th Street in Waco marks just another section of Texas asphalt. But to others, it represents a place of hope, healing and changed lives.

Should ministers get second chances?

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When a minister gets fired, will a search committee automatically set his or her resume aside or give it a fair hearing?

Matching church and clergy methods differ by denomination

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Matching clergy supply and demand is a chief concern for all denominations, but various church traditions address it in different ways.

To beckon Baby Boomers, adopt multifaceted ministry approaches

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Age means more than the number of birthdays a person has celebrated. It's a mix of chronological, psychological, functional and social factors, creating a complicated environment for churches to minister to older adults, said Amy Hanson, a national expert on gerontology.

Strong belief in active God and

free market closely linked, survey reveals

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Milton Friedman, meet Rick Warren. Americans who strongly believe God has a plan for their lives are most likely to believe God guides the United States through a free market—and they want to see the government get out of God's way according to a Baylor study.