

# **ETBU Tigers make impact in Poland, Croatia**

July 7, 2011

Student-athletes and coaches from East Texas Baptist University led sports camps, worked on a demolition project for a church and led worship in Central Europe.

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# **Students from diverse cultures united at Camp Fusion**

July 7, 2011

Christ's call transcends cultures, and at Camp Fusion—a Texas Baptist camp for second-generation students representing nine ethnic groups—38 young people responded to an invitation to give their lives to Christ.

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# **BWA to explore talks with**

# Orthodox and Pentecostals

July 7, 2011

Baptists will begin preparatory conversations later this year with representatives of both Orthodox Christianity and Pentecostal churches, aiming for eventual formal theological dialogue with both, a Baptist World Alliance leader announced July 7.

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## **BWA commission urges Baptists to continue conversation with Muslims**

July 7, 2011

Baptists must continue to engage with Muslims around the world in hopes of promoting “peaceful living together,” a Baptist World Alliance commission concluded.

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## **Houston church eases**

# **transition for Bhutanese refugees**

July 7, 2011

Bhadra Rai, pastor of Canaan Bhutanese Church in Houston, is reaching out to hundreds of refugees from Bhutan, sharing the gospel and helping them with a painful transition to a new life.

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# **YEC participants hear truth, serve the cities**

July 7, 2011

Texas Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference included a new feature this year, as 35 churches joined with nine area ministries to take to the streets and “serve the cities,” sharing the hope of Christ in a tangible way.

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# **Refugees at Myanmar-Thai**

# **border joyful despite persecution**

July 7, 2011

Blooming Night is a Myanmar refugee living just across the Thai border who has spent most of her 50-something years hiding in the jungle. But when she isn't in actual hiding, she is bringing relief to her people — the Karen — through physical supplies and through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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# **Buckner partners with baseball club, academy to collect shoes**

July 7, 2011

The Dallas Patriots, a select baseball club, and Premier Baseball Academy of Plano—working in partnership with Buckner International—hope to hit a home run for needy children this month by collecting a record number of new shoes for orphans and vulnerable children worldwide.

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# **Baptists travel to Malaysia for**

# **annual meeting**

July 7, 2011

Baptist leaders from around the world are traveling this weekend to Malaysia for an annual gathering of the Baptist World Alliance.

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# **Americans distinguish between politicians' financial, sexual failings**

July 7, 2011

A detailed survey by the Public Religion Research Institute show Americans across religious groups consider it worse for a politician to cheat on taxes or take bribes than to commit adultery or send sexually explicit messages to someone.

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# **Texas Tidbits**

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At its annual meeting in Tampa, Fla., the Baptist Women in Ministry group presented its Addie Davis Awards to two female Texas Baptist seminary graduates.

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# **Patriotism, spiritual ties may pull Christians in opposite directions**

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Christians' ability to transcend national pride while maintaining an appropriate patriotism especially is fraught in countries such as Russia, where national identity is associated closely with religion. Minority faiths frequently find themselves relegated to second-class status.