

Clergy sexual abuse ‘pervasive,’ co-author of study says

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While newspapers carried headlines about high-profile sexual-coercion lawsuits filed against Atlanta mega-church pastor Eddie Long, a Baptist researcher said the problem of clergy sexual abuse is much larger than a few charismatic leaders who abuse their power.

Texas Tidbits

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East Texas Baptist University’s board of trustees at their regular fall meeting approved curriculum for two new graduate programs—the Master of Arts in Religion degree and the Master of Education degree.

On the Move

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Brad Borstadt has resigned as pastor of J-Bar-C Cowboy Church.

Around the State

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Baylor University will be the site of the “Fantastical” church music conference Sept. 30 through Oct. 2 in Waco Hall. Award-winning Christian musician and Baylor graduate David Crowder will lead the conference.

Jimmy Carter discharged from hospital

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Former President Jimmy Carter was discharged Sept. 30 after two nights in a Cleveland hospital for what doctors say was a stomach virus.

Baptist historians affirm

individual conscience

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A group of Baptist historians that meets annually to read and discuss early Baptist writings endorsed a statement affirming the role of individual conscience in Baptist life.

Board rejects study committee motion on challenging messengers

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The Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board overwhelmingly rejected a study committee's proposal to change how the BGCT handles messenger-seating challenges at its annual meeting.

Annual meeting needs major

overhaul, study committee asserts

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The Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting needs an extreme makeover in focus and format, the chair of a study committee told the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board.

Board recommends allowing some non-Baptist HBU trustees

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Messengers to the Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting in McAllen next month will consider whether to allow Houston Baptist University to elect non-Baptists to its board of trustees.

BGCT board recommends more cuts in 2011 budget

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The Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board voted to

recommend a \$38 million 2011 budget—\$3 million less than the approved 2010 budget, a 7.3 percent reduction.

Texas poverty rate rises, demand for Christian response increases

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The number of Texans living in poverty increased 11 percent in 2009 to nearly 4.3 million, including nearly 1.8 million children, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

UMHB students help with flood relief

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After Tropical Storm Hermine dumped rain on Central Texas, students from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor helped business and homeowners in the area clean up the damage caused by the storm.