

# **Update: Currie resigns as Texas Baptists Committed leader**

September 28, 2009

Texas Baptists Committed, formed as a political organization two decades ago to resist a “fundamentalist takeover” of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has accepted the resignation of its executive director, David Currie, Sept. 28, effective immediately, reported Debbie Ferrier, chair of the TBC board of directors.

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# **Pakistani pastor asks world’s Baptists for prayer support**

September 28, 2009

A pastor in Pakistan has asked his fellow Baptists around the world to pray for the nation’s beleaguered Christian community as it faces increasing pressure from the Muslim majority.

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# **Newspaper ad leads to 31**

# **outdoor baptisms by East Texas church**

September 28, 2009

First Baptist Church in Cleveland has fully grasped the Texas Hope 2010 vision to share the gospel with all Texans by Easter 2010. Their proof—31 new believers baptized during an open call baptism service and Southern-gospel concert held on the lawn of the church.

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# **Faith leaders urge G-20 summit to remember the poor**

September 28, 2009

U.S. religious leaders including the missions coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship said the Sept. 24-25 G-20 Summit in Pittsburgh provided a unique opportunity to raise their concern about the plight of the world's poor.

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# **Pastorless periods allow church to reflect**

September 28, 2009

At any given time, roughly 600 Baptist General Convention of Texas-affiliated churches are without a pastor. Many churches view these periods as times between leaders, but they can be much more, according to BGCT Pastorless Church Consultant Karl Fickling.

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# **Values voters see little value in health care reform**

September 28, 2009

Health care reform may be Priority No. 1 in Congress and at the White House, but for the 1,825 religious conservatives who gathered for the annual Values Voter Summit, the subject was barely on their radar screen.

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# **Brownsville church nears goal**

# **of seeing 20,000 come to Christ**

September 28, 2009

Iglesia Bautista West Brownsville dreams big. They expect to surpass their goal to make 20,000 disciples within the next few weeks.

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# **Maggie Lee for Good honors memory of girl killed in bus crash**

September 28, 2009

The parents of a girl who died this summer from injuries received in a church-bus wreck are asking 13,000 people to keep her memory alive by doing something good on Oct. 29 — which would have been her 13th birthday.

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# **Students address domestic**

# **hunger**

September 28, 2009

Students at Wake Forest University and Baylor University are feeding their communities through the Campus Kitchens Project.

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## **Update: Baylor asks alumni association to move in-house**

September 28, 2009

The tense relationship between Baylor University and the Baylor Alumni Association may have reached a potential turning point—or boiling point—Sept. 19 when the university presented the alumni association a proposal asking the group to give up its independent nonprofit status and come under the authority of Baylor administration.

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## **Texas Baptists Committed to seek new leader**

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Texas Baptists Committed, formed as a political organization two decades ago to resist a “fundamentalist takeover” of the Baptist General Convention

of Texas, soon will be seeking a new executive director and relocating its office.

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## **Morris Chapman planning to retire**

September 28, 2009

Morris Chapman, president and CEO of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, announced plans Sept. 21 to retire at the end of September 2010.