

# **Focus on sharing the gospel, not institutions, speakers urge pastors**

June 23, 2009

Southern Baptists need to focus less on themselves and their institutions if they hope to make an impact on a world “racing toward hell,” speakers said at the final session of the Southern Baptist Convention Pastors Conference.

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# **SBC Executive Committee recommends cutting ties with Fort Worth church**

June 23, 2009

The Southern Baptist Convention’s Executive Committee has recommended the SBC discontinue its relationship with Broadway Baptist Church of Fort Worth because of its toleration of homosexual members.

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# **Love-driven unity centers on common mission, Baptist pastors told**

June 23, 2009

Themes of love, forgiveness and unity surfaced throughout the Monday morning session of the Southern Baptist Pastors Conference as speakers developed the theme of "What If? One Love."

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# **Loveless gospel attracts no one, Southern Baptist pastors are told**

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Until Baptists demonstrate love for each other, the gospel of love they preach will not attract others, speakers told the opening session of the annual Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference.

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# **Waco farm plants seeds to harvest world**

June 23, 2009

World Hunger Relief Farm near Waco is fighting to alleviate hunger one seed at a time.

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# **Baptist ministers urge passage of climate-change bill**

June 23, 2009

A total of 140 moderate Baptist leaders signed a June 18 letter urging passage of a comprehensive energy bill that includes caps on emissions linked to global warming.

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# **Faith tested twice, Baylor grad overcomes cancer**

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Baylor graduate Stephen Hinson of Spring found his faith tested by two bouts of cancer.

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# **For Cizik, it's suddenly a lot easier being green**

June 23, 2009

Emerging from a self-imposed media blackout, Richard Cizik is back, and he's wearing the label of converted conservationist even more comfortably now.

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# **Fourth nominee announced for Hispanic Convention presidency**

June 23, 2009

A fourth nominee—Victor Rodriguez of San Antonio—has emerged in an increasingly crowded field of candidates for president of the Hispanic Baptist Convention of Texas.

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# **With lawn mowed & car washed, no excuse for missing Sunday worship**

June 23, 2009

For a month, members of Bethel Baptist Church in Ingleside spent their Saturdays working on about 400 service opportunities that would free time for people living around them to come to church on Sunday.

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# **Jimmy Carter says Palestinians in Gaza treated 'like animals'**

June 23, 2009

Former President Jimmy Carter is calling Israel's 2-year-old blockade of Gaza an atrocity and saying people there are being treated like animals. His remarks came during visits to Syria, Israel, the West Bank and Gaza following the Carter Center's observation of Lebanese elections June 7.

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# **Religious leaders call for inquiry into U.S. use of torture**

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Religious leaders from various faiths are pushing President Obama to establish a commission of inquiry to investigate alleged United States-sanctioned use of torture since 9/11.