

East Texas church finds mission field in its own backyard

March 20, 2009

Members of Lone Oak Baptist Church in Harleton plan to visit each of the 465 homes within three miles of its sanctuary and determine whether each family is connected with a church.

DBU womenâs teams bring joy to orphans in Peru

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Twenty-eight DBU athletes participated in a spring break mission trip to Peru with Buckner International.

‘C’ is for cookieâand chaplaincy

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In an effort dubbed Operation Appreciation, Christians in Longview are buying Girl Scout Cookies to send to more than 115 U.S. troops serving in

Afghanistan and Iraq.

BWA leaders cut spending, make bylaws revisions

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Members of the Baptist World Alliance's executive committee heard a sobering financial report detailing investment losses over the last year, agreed to slash the group's budget, gave initial approval to organizational changes and met BWA's new director for freedom and justice during their annual meeting.

Baptist Briefs: Leonard stepping down at Wake Forest

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Leonard to step down as Wake Forest dean. Bill Leonard, the founding dean of the Wake Forest University Divinity School, is stepping down next year, school officials announced.

Groups oppose rules limiting books in prison chapels

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WASHINGTON (ABP) — The Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty is among several religious and civil-liberties groups objecting to proposed rules giving federal prisons more leeway to ban religious books that officials believe could incite violence or criminal behavior.

On the Move

March 20, 2009

Darrel Auvenshine has resigned as minister of worship and missions at Alsbury Church in Burleson to pursue full-time missions work.

Around the State

March 20, 2009

Wayland Baptist University will hold its spring preview event March 27-28. “Big Weekend” offers high school juniors and seniors and prospective

transfer students an opportunity to see how the campus works.

Evangelical groups protest religion law in Kyrgyz Republic

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Evangelical leaders in the Kyrgyz Republic are protesting a new religion law they say significantly restricts religious freedom in the officially secular country.

Widow of slain pastor says she isn't angry at accused killer

March 20, 2009

The widow of slain Baptist pastor Fred Winters says she harbors no anger toward her husband's alleged murderer.

Church gathers for worship week after pastor slain

March 20, 2009

One of a select fraternity of pastors who has experienced a church shooting consoled and challenged an Illinois Baptist congregation one week after its popular pastor was fatally shot while preaching his Sunday sermon.

Slain Baptist pastor hailed as hero, martyr

March 20, 2009

A fellow pastor and former church member hailed slain Baptist preacher Fred Winters as a "hero and a martyr" at a memorial service at First Baptist Church of Maryville, Ill., March 13.