

Plano pastor to be BGCT first VP nominee

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Jerry Carlisle, pastor of First Baptist Church in Plano, will be a candidate for first vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas this fall.

Experiencing God transformed TBM over last two decades

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Principles from *Experiencing God* published 20 years ago transformed Texas Baptist Men from a missions program to a broad-based ministry with global outreach.

Barefoot School full of happy souls, thanks to new computer

lab

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Gerald Davis, director of community development for the BGCT, helped set up a summer computer lab at the TLC Barefoot School in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, as part of a continuing Texas Baptist disaster response effort. 

Baptists still helping Haitians

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Michael Akinboro of African Evangelical Baptist Church in Grand Prairie treated hundreds of patients at a clinic sponsored by Siloé Baptist Church in Grand-Goave, Haiti. The congregation's building was ruined by an earthquake, but its ministry continues.

Half a year after an earthquake, Haiti has a long way to go

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A mission team coordinated by Texas Baptists helping reconstruction in Haiti found the effects of the January earthquake still evident. Scenes of vibrant life and color give way to piles of dust-covered concrete and tangled

rebar in a country of conspicuous contrasts.

Texas Baptist Men build home, faith in Chile

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Volunteers from Texas Baptist Men traveled by truck through foggy mountains for hours to reach Nipas, a small town almost 300 miles south of Santiago. There, they worked more than two weeks to help a local pastor get back on his feet.

Summer camp produces blankets for children in need

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Preteen student campers at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Encampment in Cedar Hill take one hour out of their week at camp to make blankets for children in need this summer.

Prayers answered as conference draws more than 5,000 youth

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More than 5,000 students and youth leaders filled the Garland Special Events Center and about 450 made professions of faith in Christ at the 2010 Youth Evangelism Conference.

Hunger takes no summer vacation, report says

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A new national report on child nutrition shows Texas has made progress expanding the reach of publicly funded summer food programs in 2009. But more work is needed to ensure that low-income children have access to nutritious food during the summer, according to the Texas Food Policy Roundtable.

Teens seek to change the world by improving homes of poor families

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Manual labor in the Texas heat isn't the typical summer activity many teenagers would choose. However, 254 Christian students volunteered to minister to low-income North Texas residents by renovating their homes free of charge.

Texas Tidbits

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Jessica Acklen, a senior at Baylor University, and Lauren Hollon, a Baylor University graduate student, are serving as Texas Baptist communications interns 10 weeks this summer in a cooperative venture involving the *Baptist Standard* and the Baptist General Convention of Texas communications office.

Around the State

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The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor College of Visual and Performing Arts, Department of Art and the Musick Alumni Center and Museum have joined to present “People and Places in UMHB History,” an exhibition featuring historical paintings and photographs on display in Arla Ray Tyson Art Gallery in the Townsend Memorial Library through Aug. 13.