#### Court in Uzbekistan finds Baptists guilty

October 29, 2009

A judge in Uzbekistan has found three Baptist leaders guilty of tax evasion and involving children in religious activities without their parents' permission, ending a high-profile trial in the Uzbek capital city of Tashknet Oct. 29.

# Russian Baptists schedule historic rally with Orthodox, Catholics

October 29, 2009

MOSCOW (ABP) — An Oct. 15 meeting between high-level representatives of Russia's Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox communities resulted in the scheduling of a historic multi-confessional Christian rally for early next year, according to a Russian Baptist press release.

#### Baptists in Uzbekistan stand trial

October 29, 2009

A trial for three Baptist officials in Uzbekistan charged with tax evasion and illegally teaching children religion was scheduled to enter its third week Oct 12.

# European Baptists ponder future of international seminary

October 29, 2009

European Baptist leaders gathered in Prague, Czech Republic, recently to discuss the future of the cash-strapped International Baptist Theological Seminary.

### Global Baptists responding to Pacific Rim disasters

October 29, 2009

Baptist relief agencies worked on several fronts to respond to humanitarian

needs created by a series of tsunamis, earthquakes and tropical storms in Southeast Asia and the Pacific islands.

# Baptists appeal for aid after typhoon hits Southeast Asia

October 29, 2009

Baptists in the Philippines are appealing to the global Baptist community for donations as they gear up for relief efforts in the wake of a Sept. 26 typhoon that has killed 300 people there and elsewhere in Southeast Asia.

#### Pakistani pastor asks worldâ∏s Baptists for prayer support

October 29, 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.

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

October 29, 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.

# Uzbek Baptist head, two other leaders face 3-year prison term

October 29, 2009

The head of Uzbekistan's Baptist union and two colleagues face up to three years in prison on charges of tax evasion and teaching children about religion without permission from their parents, a crime in the predominantly Muslim Central Asian country.

#### **Shoes for Orphan Souls collects**

#### 2 millionth pair of shoes

October 29, 2009

Buckner International's Shoes for Orphan Souls ministry has collected its 2 millionth pair of shoes for needy children and families in the United States and around the world.

# Former Rwandan Baptist pastor on trial for genocide

October 29, 2009

PORVOO, Finland (ABP) — A former Rwandan Baptist pastor accused of genocide in the African country's 1994 massacres is standing trial in Finland.

#### Jerusalem mayor navigates sacred cityâ∏s religious

#### politics

October 29, 2009

When Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat decided to open a municipal parking lot that had been closed on Saturdays, his office said he simply was being practical. But because ultra-Orthodox Jews consider driving on the Sabbath an abomination, his decision sparked weeks of protests.