INSTRUCTIONAL SUGGESTIONS

1. **CHURCH AFFILIATION CHANGE WORD PUZZLE**: Students will use the “Religious Affiliation Change” information (Texas Almanac 2014–2015) or the “Church Affiliation Change” information (Texas Almanac 2010–2011) in the Culture & Arts section to complete the Church Affiliation Change Word Puzzle on the Student Activity Sheet.

2. **RELIGIOUS GROUPS IN TEXAS**: Using the “Number of Members by Denomination” table, students will complete the Religious Groups in Texas chart on the Student Activity Sheet. They will **construct a line graph** depicting the number of adherents in the religious groups on the chart for the latest year available in the Texas Almanac or on the website: http://www.texasalmanac.com/topics/religion

*First Baptist Church in Galveston.*
*Photo by Ron Billings; Texas A&M Forest Service.*
Church Affiliation Change Word Puzzle
*(For use with the Texas Almanac 2014–2015)*

1. _____ _____ R _____
2. _____ E _____ _____ _____
3. _____ _____ _____ _____ L _____
4. _____ _____ I _____
5. _____ _____ _____ G _____
6. _____ _____ _____ I _____
7. _____ _____ _____ O _____
8. _____ _____ _____ N _____

1. It is estimated that approximately 15 million Texans are ____________ members.
2. Churches reported an increase of 2.2 million ____________.
3. Texas ranks third in the United States in total number of ____________, which is also the largest denomination in the Lone Star State.
4. There are an estimated 60,645 ____________ Texans.
5. Between 56 percent and 60.7 percent of Texans adhere to a ____________.
6. The second-largest faith group in Texas is the ____________ church.
7. Texas ranks fifth in the United States in the number of ____________.
8. The Quaker religion is known as the _________________.

Church Affiliation Change Word Puzzle
(For use with the Texas Almanac 2010–2011)

1. _______ R ______
2. _______ E ______ ______
3. _______ L ______
4. _______ I ______
5. _______ G ______
6. _______ I ______
7. _______ O ______
8. _______ N ______

1. It is estimated that approximately 13 million Texans are ______ members.
2. Churches reported an increase of 1.5 million ______.
3. Texas ranks third in the United States in the total number of _______, behind California and New York.
4. There are an estimated 128,000 ______ Texans.
5. Between 55.5 percent and 61.7 percent of Texans adhere to a ______.
6. The largest faith group in Texas is the ______ church.
7. Texas ranks sixth in the United States in the number of ______.
8. The Quaker religion is known as the ______.
Religious Groups in Texas