

# War on terror called threat to rights

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**By Chris Herlinger**

*Religion News Service*

NEW YORK (RNS)—The governments of a number of countries, including China and Uzbekistan, are branding political opponents as Islamic terrorists and using the “war on terror” as a way to stifle dissent, Human Rights Watch said in its annual global survey of human rights conditions.

The report for 2005 by the New York-based human rights watchdog and advocacy group said counter-terrorism policies are having a harmful effect on the global defense of human rights. “Fighting terrorism is central to the human rights cause,” said Human Rights Watch Executive Director Kenneth Roth. “But using illegal tactics against alleged terrorists is both wrong and counterproductive.”

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# Cartoon

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"Our last  
pastor  
donated  
*both*  
kidneys."

News of religion, faith, missions, Bible study and Christian ministry among Texas Baptist churches, in the BGCT, the Southern Baptist Convention ( SBC ) and around the world.

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# **Texas IMB trustee decries 'crusading conservatives'**

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**By Trennis Henderson**

*Kentucky Western Recorder*

ARLINGTON—As debate escalates over the Southern Baptist International Mission Board's effort to remove one of its trustees from office, a Texas Baptist pastor has warned that he might seek to have the entire board dismissed.

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# **NAMB missionary died of apparent suicide**

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**By Robert Marus**

*Associated Baptist Press*

HELEN, Ga. (ABP)—The death of a 32-year-old North American Mission Board missionary is under investigation by officials in the north Georgia county where he lived.

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# **Beaumont church ejected from SBTC for allowing gay-friendly ministry to use building**

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**By Greg Warner**



*Associated Baptist Press*

BAYTOWN (ABP)—A conservative church in Baytown has been kicked out of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention because it lets a ministry to homosexuals use church meeting space. Although the Eklektos ministry affirms homosexuality, the sponsoring church does not, its pastor says.

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# **Cybercolumn by Brett Younger: Groundhog Day, Holy Day**

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## **CYBER COLUMN: Groundhog Day, Holy Day**

**By Brett Younger**

The true measure of a family isn't how they celebrate Thanksgiving or Christmas. Everyone knows how to eat turkey and decorate a tree. The real test is Groundhog Day.

Every year for the last 12, our family has gathered on Feb. 2 to watch the romantic comedy *Groundhog Day*. Bill Murray plays a self-centered Pittsburgh weatherman covering the Groundhog Day Festival in Punxsutawney. To his astonishment, Phil finds himself trapped living his least-favorite day of the year over and over. This combination of *It's a*

*Wonderful Life* and *The Twilight Zone* may not seem like the most heartwarming tradition, but after 12 viewings, our family will be quoting lines in unison.

Brett Younger
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# **BaptistWay Bible Series for Feb. 12: Don't put anything else on God's throne**

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**BaptistWay Bible Series for Feb. 12**

## **Don't put anything else on God's throne**

• Luke 18:18-30

**By Ben Johnson**

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# **Family Bible Series for Feb. 12: Serving God is not without its costs**

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**Family Bible Series for Feb. 12**

## **Serving God is not without its costs**

• Jeremiah 26:1-16

**By Donald Raney**

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## **Explore the Bible Series for Feb. 12: Is there room for Christian ambition?**

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**Explore the Bible Series for Feb. 12**

# Is there room for Christian ambition?

- Romans 15:1-13

**By Trey Turner**

*Canyon Creek Baptist Church, Temple*

Are some Christians so afraid of being walked on they are reluctant to serve others? Or do they say, "If I am going to be noticed as a witness for Christ, I need to take the lead and not be a follower?" A person may ask still, "How much of an impact can I make being a servant when I could lead a group to greatness?"

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## Family Pathways provides circle of support

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Family Place  
mothers say  
their children  
also are  
blessed by the  
Buckner  
experience.  
(Photo by  
Amy  
Seale/Buckner  
Benevolences)

## **Family Pathways provides circle of support**

**By Felicia Fuller**

*Buckner Benevolences*

DALLAS—For more than a decade, Cawindy Spead's downcast eyes revealed things she can talk about only now.

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## **BGCT, UT San Antonio planning restorative justice consortium**

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# **BGCT, UT San Antonio planning restorative justice consortium**

**By John Hall**

*Texas Baptist Communications*

SAN ANTONIO—The Baptist General Convention of Texas and the University of Texas at San Antonio’s community and restorative justice office may create a consortium of restorative justice leaders.