

# Explore the Bible Series for April 15: Acting like Jesus in the face of suffering

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## Acting like Jesus in the face of suffering

- 1 Peter 3:13-4:6

**By Kathryn Aragon**

*First Baptist Church, Duncanville*

I wonder if we confessed to people when we witness that Christianity is a life of suffering if there would be as many Christians. There certainly would be fewer shallow Christians.

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## TBM delivers computers to

# Mexico

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**By Barbara Bedrick**

*Texas Baptist Communications*

ZACATECAS, Mexico—Students in Zacatecas, Mexico, don't send e-mail or search the Internet for resources for their homework. But that is about to change.

Texas Baptist Men volunteers recently delivered 40 computers to a school in Zacatecas.

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## Houston students unite to serve in Acuña

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# Acuña

**By John Hall**

*Texas Baptist Communications*

HOUSTON—When a group of Texas Baptist students arrived to set up clinics in Acuña, Mexico, local residents already were lined up to be examined. They continued lining up all day long, and the students worked into the night looking after them.

It was worth it to spread the gospel, the students said.

Students from Houston served more than 100 people day in clinics in Acuña, Mexico. (Photo courtesy of Jason Harrell)

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# CYBER COLUMN by Jinny Henson: Wielding power like God

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## CYBER COLUMN: Wielding power like God

**By Jinny Henson**

*“Jesus knew that God had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with a towel that was wrapped around him” (John 12:3-5).*

Absolute power. Absolutely uncorrupted. Here stands Jesus in the verge his own sacrificial death, having everything under his power. He could have opted out. He could have been an earthly king theoretically; he could have painted the sky chartreuse and flooded the world with boysenberry yogurt.

Jinny Henson
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It was all under Jesus’ power. Do we really get that he could have turned the wheels of history in an opposite direction? Refused to follow through

and fulfill his destiny? Dodge the utter humiliation, pain and rejection waiting for him in a few, small hours.

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## **Mohler's 'gay baby' blog stirs bio-ethics debate**

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**By Robert Marus & Greg Warner**

*Associated Baptist Press*

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (ABP)—Even if a genetic cause for homosexuality is found, gay behavior would still be “sin,” and Christians should support a genetic cure for it too, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary President Al Mohler claimed.

Comments by Mohler in a column on his personal website are prompting strong reactions from the left and right. His column—titled “Is Your Baby Gay? What if You Could Know? What if You Could Do Something About It?”—appeared on [www.albertmohler.com](http://www.albertmohler.com).

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# Dismissed professor files lawsuit against Southwestern seminary

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## Dismissed professor files lawsuit against Southwestern seminary

**By Hannah Elliott**

*Associated Baptist Press*

FORT WORTH (ABP)—Former professor Sheri Klouda has sued Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, charging fraud, breach of contract and defamation for forcing her out.

Klouda, who was hired in 2002 to teach Hebrew in a tenure-track position at the Fort Worth school, [lost her job last year](#)—allegedly because of her gender. She filed the lawsuit in federal court.

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Sheri Klouda  
pictured at  
Southwestern  
Seminary's  
convocation  
August 29,  
2002,  
affirming her  
adherence to  
the 2000  
Baptist Faith  
and Message.  
(The photo  
appeared on  
[Wade  
Burleson's  
blog](#)).

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## **Powell to retire; Garland named dean at Truett Seminary**

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### **Paul Powell to retire; Garland named dean at Truett Seminary**

Paul Powell has announced his plans to retire as dean of Baylor University's [Truett Theological Seminary](#) May 31, and New Testament scholar David Garland has been named his successor.

Randall O'Brien, provost and executive vice president at Baylor University,

announced Garland's appointment, effective June 1, noting he was the unanimous choice of the Truett faculty.

	
David Garland	Paul Powell

Garland is associate dean for academic affairs and the William B. Hinson Professor of Christian Scriptures at Truett Seminary.

In February 2001, Powell, the retired president and chief executive officer of both the Robert M. Rogers Foundation of Tyler and the Southern Baptist Convention's Annuity Board was appointed as Truett's dean. During Powell's six-year tenure, Truett Seminary's enrollment more than doubled to 381 students, while the seminary's endowment increased to more than \$38 million.

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# Christians join war protest in Washington

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**By Robert Marus**

*ABP Washington Bureau*

WASHINGTON (ABP)—Thousands of Christians braved frigid temperatures, icy conditions and even arrest in Washington to protest the Iraq war.

The "[Christian Peace Witness for Iraq](#)" began with a service at Washington National Cathedral and ended with about 200 protesters being arrested in front of the White House March 16. It kicked off a weekend of demonstrations marking the four-year anniversary of the war, which has resulted in the deaths of more than 3,000 American military personnel and thousands of Iraqi military and civilians.

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Anti-war  
protesters  
walk from  
the  
National  
Cathedral  
to the  
White  
House on  
the fourth  
anniversary  
of the  
United  
States' war  
with Iraq.  
(RNS photo  
courtesy of  
Ryan  
Beiler/  
*Sojourners*)

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**Hammond  
president,**

**elected  
plans**

**NAMB  
closer**



# relationship with IMB

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## Hammond elected NAMB president, plans closer relationship with IMB

**By Hannah Elliott**

*Associated Baptist Press*

ALPHARETTA, Ga. (ABP)—In a unanimous vote March 21, trustees of the [North American Mission Board](#) elected Geoff Hammond president of the Southern Baptist Convention's stateside mission body.

Hammond, 49, will start full-time work for NAMB May 22. Hammond is currently senior associate director of the [Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia](#). Trustees recommended him for the new position March 1, after a nine-month search to replace disgraced president Bob Reccord.

Geoff Hammond
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## Baylor engineering team to

# bring electricity to Honduran village

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Chris Matcek  
of Katy, a  
graduate  
engineering  
student at  
Baylor  
University,  
and Brian  
Thomas,  
Baylor faculty  
adviser for  
Engineers  
with a  
Mission, take  
measurements  
of a river near  
Pueblo Nuevo,  
Honduras.  
(Photos  
courtesy of  
Brian Thomas)

# Baylor engineering team to bring electricity to Honduran village

By **Matt Pene**

*Baylor University*

WACO—Baylor University graduate student Ryan McGhee has spent nearly every free minute the last several months doing one thing—trying to build a device that will bring a basic necessity to people in need.

“It’s an act of worship for me,” said McGhee, who is pursuing his master’s degree in engineering at [Baylor](#).



Baylor engineering students (left to right) Jonathan Crabtree, Leah Richter and Ryan McGhee explore the feasibility of installing a hydroelectric generator on a small river near Pueblo Nuevo, a remote village in north central Honduras.

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# Generous Arkansas family receives generosity from TV makeover

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**By Stella Prather**

*Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*

MURFREESBORO, Ark. (ABP)—Thanks to a popular network television show and an eclectic array of others, one Arkansas Baptist family now has a lot more room to breathe.

Dennis and Kim Collins, their son, Mitchell, and the five young cousins they've cared for during the past few years recently received the keys to

their new five-bedroom, 4,900-square-foot home. The massive new manse is the focus of an episode of ABC's [\*Extreme Makeover: Home Edition\*](#).

The story of the Collins family of Murfreesboro, Ark., will be featured on ABC's Extreme Makeover: Home Edition, April 22. (Photo courtesy of [www.realsteelhomes.net](http://www.realsteelhomes.net))