# Economic woes give churches a reason to go green

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Simeon May, CEO of the National Association of Church Business Administration, said some churches that were outright opposed to going green may get there sooner than they thought because of the recession.

### Church offers â[]Soul Foodâ[] in town hit hard by recession

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Many lives are unraveling in Dalton, Ga., nicknamed the "Carpet Capital of the World," in the current recession, creating both challenges and opportunities for churches.

#### Baptist groups feel recessionâ[]s pinch

April 16, 2009 Many things divide the Baptist denomination, but one thing all groups

### **Coalition takes aim at reducing poverty in the U.S. and globally**

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More than 1,000 faith leaders and activists are expected to descend on Washington soon in what planners say is one of largest and most diverse coalitions ever to fight against domestic and global poverty.

### Catholics lean to the left of U.S. on some social issues, poll shows

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American Catholics are more liberal than the general population on social issues like divorce and homosexuality, despite the Catholic Church's longstanding conservatism on both issues, according to a new survey.

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The American Civil Liberties Union has filed suit to overturn a Michigan law that makes it a felony to "disturb, disrupt or adversely affect" a funeral procession or ceremony.

#### â[][]I Can Only Imagineâ[][] marks 10 years

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This year marks one decade since the MercyMe song "I Can Only Imagine" made a vast array of people start thinking about heaven.

# Rick Warren says he did not campaign for Proposition 8

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Rick Warren is drawing heat for telling CNN's Larry King in an April 7 broadcast that he did not endorse Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage that California voters approved last year.

#### Top Army chaplain raises Jewish ire with call for prayer during Passover

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The U.S. Army Chief of Chaplains is being criticized for a proclamation calling for prayer and fasting on April 8, which coincides with the first night of Passover, a high holy day on the Jewish calendar celebrated by a traditional feast called the Seder.

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## Smorgasbord religion on the grow throughout United States

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Scholars say the number of Americans who borrow bits from various religious traditions is multiplying.