

As you run the race, beware of ‘the bear’

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Jim Lemons warns about the runner’s ‘bear’ and suggests three training tools for subduing it when it pounces.

Seven traits of thriving congregations: Relevant practices

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Is it better to be timeless or timely? Matt Cook, assistant director of the Center for Healthy Churches, suggests this is a false choice.

How Mr. Bud’s prayers get me through COVID

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Matt Snowden, senior pastor of First Baptist Church in Waco, recalls Mr.

Bud's three-fold prayer every Wednesday night.

Blessings and challenges of being a church town

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Texas is full of small towns and small town churches. Matt Richard, pastor of one of them, sees unique blessings and challenges in them.

Ministering to teenagers with depression

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Michael Kumi Owusu points to the prevalence of depression in teenagers and the value of parental and pastoral support.

Semilla: Cuando sucede lo inesperado: Preparándose para la atención de los medios

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¿Qué hará cuando ocurra algo inesperado que vuelva los ojos del mundo hacia usted y su ministerio? ¿Qué hará cuando los reporteros llamen, toquen a su puerta o aparezcan con cámaras?

Walking alongside women with unplanned pregnancies

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Rev. Mary Whitehurst offers suggestions to ministers seeking to care for women with unplanned pregnancies who may be considering abortion.

The fear of being wrong vs. the

freedom of love

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Early in his ministry, Zac Harrel wanted to be right. Now, focusing more on Jesus' love frees him from the fear of being wrong.

How to provide pastoral care for complicated grief

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Paige Shellhorse defines complicated grief and suggests ways pastors and ministers can help those struggling with it.

Compound collective trauma: Four ways ministry leaders can help

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Erin Hill describes compound collective trauma and its effects and offers ministers four ways to help themselves and their congregations.

From risk management to risk-taking

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The pandemic presents a rare opportunity for churches to move from status quo to taking needed risks to stay alive and thrive.

Don't underestimate the power of little things

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Nataly Mora shines light on seemingly small things churches can do to make big differences in people's lives.