

# **Craig Carlisle to be nominated for SBC 2nd vice president**

May 19, 2025

Alabama pastor Jared Cornutt has announced his intention to nominate Craig Carlisle for second vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention in June when the convention meets in Dallas.

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# **BWA president emphasizes the priesthood of believers**

May 19, 2025

The priesthood of believers not only serves as a doctrinal distinctive for Baptists, but also operates as a guiding principle for daily living and for “being the church,” Baptist World Alliance President Tomás Mackey told a gathering at Dallas Baptist University.

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# **Johnny Hunt/SBC trial on hold**

## **for now**

May 19, 2025

In an order issued May 12, Judge William L. Campbell Jr. announced the jury trial in the lawsuit brought by Johnny Hunt against the Southern Baptist Convention and others has been canceled. The trial was set to begin June 17.

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## **Can the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission survive?**

May 19, 2025

During their annual meeting in Dallas next month, Southern Baptists will engage in lively debate about a host of issues. Among those issues: what to do with the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission.

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## **Forced out at Myers Park, Boswell starts new church**

May 19, 2025

Ben Boswell was forced to resign as senior pastor of Myers Park Baptist

Church in Charlotte, N.C. Now, he is starting a new church focused on social justice issues.

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## **Former Southern Baptist Josh Buice quits G3 Conference**

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Josh Buice, pastor of Pray's Mill Baptist Church in Douglasville, Ga., was suspended by his church for running fake social media accounts that criticized his church's elders and other pastors. He resigned as president of the GC3 Conference, which he founded.

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## **Suit alleges illegal power grab at Second Baptist Houston**

May 19, 2025

A lawsuit alleges Second Baptist Church in Houston unlawfully changed its governing documents to eliminate the congregation's power to vote on virtually everything.

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# **Sena se jubila después de seis décadas sirviendo a la comunidad cristiana hispana de la SBC**

May 19, 2025

“Estoy profundamente agradecido por la vida fiel de servicio del Dr. Sena. Desde la iglesia local hasta un seminario nacional, los bautistas hispanos han tenido la bendición de contar con su liderazgo, influencia e impacto en nuestra comunidad. Oramos para que Dios bendiga su nueva etapa”, dijo Jesse Rincones, director de la Convención Bautista Hispana de Texas y presidente de la junta directiva de la Red Nacional Bautista Hispana (RNBH)

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## **Hispanic Baptist ministry trailblazer Bobby Sena retires**

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Bobby Sena, a trailblazer in Hispanic ministry in the SBC, is retiring.

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# **SBC membership continues decline but baptisms rising**

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The number of Southern Baptists in the United States is the lowest it has been in 50 years, but more of them seem to be showing up in church. And the number of baptisms in the SBC continues to rebound from the lows of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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# **Mangieri named as CEO of Baptist publishing house**

May 19, 2025

Carolina Carro de Mangieri, director of global events and fellowship for the Baptist World Alliance, has accepted the role of chief executive officer/publisher of Editorial Mundo Hispano/Casa Bautista de Publicaciones in El Paso.

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# **Respond to emerging frontlines, Baptist leader challenges**

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New frontlines affecting Baptists are emerging around the world, Elijah Brown, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, asserted during his Pinson Lecture on Baptist distinctives at Hardin-Simmons University, April 23.