Is the prodigal generation gone for good, or will they return to faith?

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Drew Dyck didn't lose the Christian faith of his childhood when he became an adult, but he noticed lots of others did. He talked to some of those who've left the faith for his recent book, *Generation Ex-Christian: Why Young Adults Are Leaving the Faith ... and How to Bring Them Back*.

â∏Miracle Detectivesâ∏ on the hunt for answers

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For an hour every Wednesday night, *Miracle Detectives*, a prime-time television foray into exploring the miraculous, will investigate reports of the supernatural. It's one of 17 programs on the new Oprah Winfrey Network that debuted New Year's Day.

Faith Digest: No policy changes for military chaplains

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The pending repeal of the U.S. military's ban on openly gay members will not change policies related to chaplains, the Pentagon stated.

Baptist author produces novel in American Sign Language

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Baptist author George Joslin of Springfield, Mo., has produced what may be the first American Sign Language-only novel. Titled *A Deaf Man's Gospel*, the novel is only available in American Sign Language (ASL) on DVD, rather than in print format.

Churches seek to minister to

Boomers

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Jan. 1 not only marked the beginning of a new year, but also saw the first Baby Boomers turn 65 years old. And congregations face the evolving challenge of finding ways to minister with and to them.

What makes ministry to older adults more effective?

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Ministry to older adults must take many forms, depending upon the makeup of the group a church is trying to reach. As the U.S. population ages, congregations will have even more opportunities to engage older adults.

Challenge for churches: How to care for caregivers

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As churches minister to the most elderly and infirm among members, some also seek ways to serve their caregivers—often family members—who often labor around the clock.

No single size or shape fits ministry to all older adults

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Church and denominational leaders are beginning to understand older adults cannot be categorized as a single unit, and a one-size-fits-all ministry will not meet needs.

Religious persecution more prevalent, more severe in Muslim countries

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Two recent reports by watchdog groups and a new book take a fresh look at the persistence of religious intolerance worldwide, with Muslim-majority nations facing particular criticism.

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Three out of four Americans grade the country's moral climate at a "C" or below, according to a recent poll.

Application of ethical principles changing, biomedical ethicist insists

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At least three factors increasingly will shape applied biomedical ethics in the 21st century—globalization, transformative new scientific advances and recognition of human limitation and finitude, according to Baruch Brody, director of the Center for Medical Ethics and Public Policy at Baylor College of Medicine.

Iron sharpens iron: Mentoring

offers support

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While a seminary degree can be an important component of a pastor's toolbox, relationships with other pastors can be just as important—if not more so.