

Most churches provide hybrid worship as result of pandemic

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Eight in 10 U.S. churches now provide hybrid services, offering options for congregants to worship either in person or online during the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a new study from the Hartford Institute for Religion Research.

Almost all churches meeting in person but attendance lags

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The percentage of U.S. Protestant churches meeting in person is comparable to the time before COVID-19, but overall attendance has not yet reached pre-pandemic levels.

Samford pulls Meacham over

Planned Parenthood ties

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Noted historian and presidential biographer Jon Meacham has been uninvited from Samford University's inaugural celebrations for their 19th president, Beck Taylor, over concerns about his ties to Planned Parenthood.

Research shows Bible study helps reform prisoners

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Incarcerated individuals became more forgiving, accountable, grateful and capable of self-control after an eight-week course on the Gospel of Mark, a study from Prison Fellowship International and Baylor University found.

Umpire-minister Ted Barrett returns to World Series

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Ted Barrett—a Baptist minister and umpire—is back in the World Series.

Pandemic increased stress but few pastors left the ministry

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Pastors have faced increased stress during the COVID-19 pandemic. More felt their role was overwhelming at times, but few pastors actually decided to leave the ministry.

Influential musician Ralph Carmichael dead at 94

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Often called the “father of contemporary Christian music,” Ralph Carmichael left his mark on the music industry in seven decades and at least as many genres. Carmichael died Oct. 20 at the age of 94.

Baptist watchdog issues annual ethical fashion report

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The fashion industry continues to struggle with wage gaps and sustainability, according to a report from an Australian Baptist watchdog group, despite marked improvement in how the industry treats workers and sources its goods over the past few years.

Attendance shrinking at small and midsize congregations

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A new survey of 15,278 religious congregations across the United States confirms trends sociologists have documented for several decades: Congregational life across the country is shrinking.

Nearly half in U.S. watched

church online during pandemic

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According to a new Lifeway Research study, 45 percent of Americans say they have watched a Christian church service online during the COVID-19 pandemic, including some who say they don't normally physically attend.

Documentary recounts the glory and mess of Christian music

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The contemporary Christian music industry survived scandals, pushback from televangelists and the wholesale disruption of the record industry over the past 50 years and kept rolling along. A new documentary tells that story.

Southern Gospel museum seeks new home

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The Southern Gospel Music Association is looking for a new home for its collections after more than 20 years at Dollywood, Dolly Parton's

amusement park and entertainment complex in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.