

# **Commission names worst religious freedom violators**

May 1, 2024

The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom added Azerbaijan to its list of 17 “worst of the worst” violators of freedom of religion or belief in 2023.

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# **Around the State: Scot McKnight to join HCU faculty**

May 1, 2024

Houston Christian University and Houston Theological Seminary announce Scot McKnight will join the Doctor of Ministry faculty.

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# **Disaster relief volunteers responding to storm damage**

May 1, 2024

After storms rolled across Texas, Oklahoma and other parts of the country in recent days, Texans on Mission disaster relief teams responded.

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# **Mexican Baptists in Hidalgo forced from homes**

May 1, 2024

More than 100 Baptists in Hidalgo State, Mexico, were forced to leave their homes in the villages of Coamila and Rancho Nuevo on April 26.

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# **Huntsville church engages ex-offenders in prison ministry**

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Covenant Fellowship in Huntsville seeks to engage ex-offenders in ministry to the incarcerated population—for the mutual benefit of both.

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# **Why faith-based groups are**

# **prone to sexual abuse**

May 1, 2024

Sexual abuse has proved pervasive across institutions. And when it comes to faith groups, no creed, structure, value system or size has seemed immune.

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# **Pro sports go all-in on gambling, but at what cost?**

May 1, 2024

The only thing matched by the pomp and festivities of the NFL Draft, held April 25 in Detroit, may be the level at which gambling has become entwined with the league.

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# **Christian nationalists lead pro-Israel rally at Columbia**

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Christian nationalist activist Sean Feucht, pastor Russell Johnson and author Eric Metaxas led a pro-Israel rally at Columbia University.

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# **Pastor Helen offers loving care to refugees**

May 1, 2024

Six months is the allotted time for refugee assistance to those resettled in the United States, said Helen Cingpi director of Project: Start.

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# **Longtime international missions leader Clyde Meador dies**

May 1, 2024

Longtime International Mission Board leader Clyde D. Meador died April 26. He was 79.

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# **Obituary: John Marshall Edwards**

May 1, 2024

John Marshall Edwards, longtime Texas Baptist pastor, died March 12 on his 85th birthday.

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# **Survey reveals Gen Z attitudes about Israel and Hamas**

May 1, 2024

Protests on U.S. college campuses opposing Israel's continuing military campaign against Gaza reflect the views of a significant minority of Gen Z voters, a recent online survey revealed.