

# **Becky Ellison trusts God and serves while battling cancer**

November 15, 2018

Becky Ellison knows what it means to live one day at a time. Since being diagnosed with cancer in 2010, she said a key question guides her: “If I had one more minute and I wanted to live it like God wanted me to live it, what would that look like?”

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# **Paul Chitwood elected as IMB president**

November 15, 2018

About a decade ago, Paul Chitwood became convinced God was calling him to mobilize missions and missionaries, he told International Mission Board trustees. That call culminated Nov. 15, he said, with his election as IMB president.

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# **Churches fight predatory**

# **payday lending**

November 15, 2018

Churches seek to help lower-income Americans caught in a never-ending loan cycle. While profits for lenders can be substantial, the toll on families can be devastating.

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## **Kentucky Baptists cut ties with CBF-aligned churches**

November 15, 2018

The Kentucky Baptist Convention will cut ties with a small group of churches that remain dually aligned with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, a missions network that took steps earlier this year to allow the hiring of LGBT individuals for some staff positions.

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## **Bulgarians rally to pray, protest proposed religious restrictions**

November 15, 2018

Bulgarian Baptists joined other Christians in a prayer rally and peaceful protest that drew about 2,000 participants to the nation's capital, united by

concern over proposed restrictions on religious freedom.

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## **Around the State: ETBU hosts worship summit; Brad Holland named Hendrick president and CEO**

November 15, 2018

East Texas Baptist University, in cooperation with the Baptist General Convention of Texas, recently hosted the third annual Worship Summit. The Hendrick Medical Center board of trustees named Brad Holland as the next president and chief executive officer of Hendrick Health System.

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## **Obituary: Kurt Kaiser**

November 15, 2018

Kurt Kaiser of Waco, Christian composer and pianist, died Nov. 12 after a lengthy illness. He was 83.

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# **‘The woods exploded’ amid pastor’s fire rescue**

November 15, 2018

When the deadliest wildfire in state history struck the Northern California town of Magalia, Pastor Doug Crowder didn’t get to preach his Veterans Day sermon about risking death to save others, but he had the opportunity to live it.

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# **TV celebrity craftsman urges hunger fighters to persevere**

November 15, 2018

Move beyond failure and reach for seemingly unattainable dreams, such as a world without hunger, TV celebrity woodworker Clint Harp urged participants at the Together at the Table Hunger and Poverty Summit.

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# **Redefine goals to eliminate hunger and improve lives**

November 15, 2018

Hunger-fighting ministries should not allow lesser goals, such as distributing a prescribed amount of food, to substitute for truly worthy goals of eliminating hunger and helping families emerge from poverty, speakers told a Baylor University summit.

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# **Brownback: Religious freedom key to other freedoms**

November 15, 2018

The U. S. ambassador for international religious freedom called for renewed activism on protecting faiths around the globe as advocates gathered to mark the 20th anniversary of the International Religious Freedom Act.

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**White House expands**

# **exemptions for religious objections**

November 15, 2018

The White House issued new rules officials say will “provide conscience protections for Americans who have a religious or moral objection to health insurance that covers contraception methods.”