

Children from hospital Baylor's guests at Texas Bowl

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Three hundred patients and their families from Texas Children's Hospital attended the Texas Bowl as special guests of Baylor University. The invitation was spurred by Houston alumni serving on a Baylor Texas Bowl Host Committee, who reached out in a cooperative effort to Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

Project preps international students to transform home countries

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The Global Mission Leadership initiative at Baylor University is designed to equip international students who have the desire and leadership potential to affect change at the national level in their home countries.

UPDATED: Group plans 5,000 homes, 5,000 Haitians employed

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Help Build Hope Haiti organizers envision mobilizing Christians— and other people of good will— in the United States to provide permanent housing for Haitian families. (SEE EDITOR'S NOTE AT END OF ARTICLE)

Witnesses of lynching tell tales of fear, faith and forgiveness

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Angela Sims trained with the Baylor University Institute for Oral History before interviewing people across the country, collecting horrifying eyewitness accounts of lynchings.

BSM extends welcome to international students

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Students and Texas Baptists involved in Baptist Student Ministries are among the first people some international students encounter.

Q & A: Melissa Rogers on religious liberty

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Melissa Rogers, a veteran religious-liberty attorney and nationally recognized expert in church-state law, is director of the Center for Religion and Public Affairs at the Wake Forest University School of Divinity. In an e-mail interview, she reflects on some of the major developments in her field over the last decade and where things might go in the decade that just began.

New York mosque named top

religion story of 2010

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The protracted and contentious debate over plans to build an Islamic community center near Ground Zero in New York was the top religion story of 2010, according to a survey of religion journalists.

For 2010 top religion stories, a major case of déjà vu

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The calendar may have said 2010, but for Pope Benedict XVI and much of his global flock, it looked and felt a lot like 2002. For the second time in a decade, charges of child molestation at the hands of Catholic priests dominated headlines—this time reaching the highest levels of the Vatican, as critics questioned whether Benedict himself mishandled abuse cases. The Roman Catholic Church wasn't the only institution battling a sense of déjà vu, as some of the most controversial religion stories from the past 20 years returned to the headlines.

Gallup Poll: U.S. personal religiosity stable, influence declines

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A new Gallup poll shows that, while personal measures of religious sentiment have remained fairly high among Americans, their membership in houses of worship continues a long decline and they increasingly believe that religion is losing influence.

Divide over Islam dominated religious-freedom news in 2010

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Judging from end-of-year assessments published in the last few days, there seems fairly universal agreement among close observers of faith and public life that the biggest religion story of 2010 in this country was also the biggest religious-freedom story: Islam and its discontents.

Baptists debate social drinking

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Two decades after settling the question of biblical inerrancy, Southern Baptists are battling about booze.

Bookstore manager, museum director enjoy roles as Santa's helpers

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Two Wayland Baptist University employees spend much of December donning red suits and hats to bring joy to children during the holiday season.