

# Baptist Standard wins national awards

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Baptist Standard Publishing earned national awards from two professional communications associations.

The *Baptist Standard* received eight “Best of the Christian Press” awards from the [Associated Church Press](#) and three awards from the [Evangelical Press Association](#).



Marv Knox Editor Marv Knox and Managing Editor Ken Camp each earned an award of excellence for reporting and writing from Associated Church Press.

Knox won first place in the “biographical profile: all media” category for his article, “[The rise and fall and rise again of Joel Gregory.](#)”

The contest judge hailed the entry as “brilliant writing,” adding: “This is one of the best biographical profiles I’ve read in a long time. Gregory is a bigger-than-life story, and this article does it justice. The use of quotes is spot-on. There is nothing better than a rise, fall and rise story!”



Ken Camp received top honors in the “in-depth coverage: news service/website/blog” category for his series of articles on the child immigration crisis.

To read the articles, [click here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).

“This series of articles brought to light the truth that religious organizations are key in the ‘compassion industry,’” the contest judge wrote. “The national news media is slow to recognize the contributions made by faith-based groups, fearing, I suppose, critics of religion. Ken Camp’s direct, yet gentle, descriptions of how the Texas Baptists ministered to ‘the least of these’ helped the reader see needs of children from any country under any circumstances need to be met.”

The *Baptist Standard* won three awards of merit—second place—including a “Best in Class” award for general excellence in the “online: independent website” category.



Marketing Manager Julie Sorrels won in the “online: social media” category for her “throwback Thursday” feature on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

The *Standard's* "Right or wrong?" column on Christian ethics won in the "reporting and writing: department: online media" category.

Judges reviewed a column by Knox on [coercive clergy](#), by Van Christian on [child vaccinations](#) and by Meredith Stone on the pragmatic hiring of [women pastors](#).

The *Standard* won three honorable mention—third place—awards for reporting and writing. Knox won in the "feature article: news service/website/blog" category for "[Ebola vigil becomes memorial for fallen Christian brother](#)" and in the "column: newspaper/news service/newsletter/website/blog" category for "Down Home."

To read the columns the judges reviewed, [click here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).

Camp won in the "news story: website/news service/blog" category for "[Pastor reminds Dallas leaders of challenges faced by fiancée of Ebola fatality.](#)"

The *Baptist Standard* received an award of merit—second place—in the "denominational/digital" category for its website from the Evangelical Press Association.

The *Standard* also won two "higher goals" third place awards—Knox's story "[Ebola vigil becomes memorial for fallen Christian brother](#)" in the "general article" category and his "[The rise and fall and rise again of Joel Gregory](#)" story in the "personality article" category.