

# **Panelists identify dangers of religious nationalism**

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Religious nationalism “cheapens” religion and exchanges genuine love of country for a blank check that justifies any action a country takes, panelists said during the Global Religious Freedom Gathering at Dallas Baptist University.

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# **Prior emphasizes living in purpose without AI**

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The craft of writing and the ethics of writing, just as with spiritual growth and maturity, offer no shortcuts, author Karen Swallow Prior said during her Oct. 16 lecture sponsored by the Institute for Global Engagement at Dallas Baptist University.

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# **Christians called to combat all**

# **religious persecution**

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Christians are commanded, commissioned and called to combat all religious persecution, international human rights attorney Knox Thames told the Global Religious Freedom Gathering at Dallas Baptist University.

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## **Truett Seminary establishes Anglican Episcopal House**

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Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary announced Oct. 13 the formation of an Anglican Episcopal House of Studies.

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## **Chris Clayman: Frontier people groups deserve priority**

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Chris Clayman of the Joshua Project presented 10 reasons why frontier people groups—unreached people whose numbers exceed 1.5 billion—deserve priority in Christian missions outreach

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# **Tony Evans' next chapter, undisclosed 'sin' and new book**

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Dallas megachurch founder Tony Evans has lived a mostly private life for more than a year, after announcing an undisclosed “sin” caused him to step away from the prominent pulpit where he preached for almost five decades.

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# **Christians called to missional—not comfortable—lives**

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Christ calls his followers to missional lives, not lives of comfort and ease, speakers emphasized at the “Beyond Us ... From Neighborhoods to Nations” Missions Conference at First Baptist Church in Waco.

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# **Conclave attendees urged 'never get over the gospel'**

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More than 640 leaders and volunteers for children, teen and young adult ministry gathered Oct. 6 and 7 at First Baptist Church in Arlington to worship and learn how to reach current and future generations for Christ and the church.

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# **Tony Evans will not return to lead Dallas megachurch**

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Dallas megachurch founder Tony Evans, who stepped back from leading his church due to an undisclosed “sin” he announced last year, will not return as pastor of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship.

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# **Beautiful Hope Ministries aids**

# **trafficking survivors**

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University of Mary Hardin-Baylor sophomore Hannah Balkenbush founded Beautiful Hope Ministries in 2021 to raise awareness about human trafficking and to offer Christ-centered restoration to survivors.

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# **David Barton to advise Texas State Board of Education**

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David Barton, a conservative Christian activist who considers the separation of church and state a myth, will serve as an “expert content adviser” to the Texas State Board of Education when it develops new state standards for teaching social studies.

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# **Deacon with a disability serves Lubbock church**

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Victor Reta, a member of Bacon Heights Baptist Church in Lubbock, lives with “very severe” aphasia, a language disability that affects one’s ability to

speak and understand what others say. Even so, he serves in several capacities on Sunday mornings despite his disability.