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AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

The 2025 Awards of Excellence honor the best work done in EPA publications during the 2024 calendar year.

Campus (Print)

Award of Excellence: Liberty Champion | Liberty University — Maria Davis, Paige Sturek, Jaida Barber, Anna Wheat, Olivia Hess, Isabella Scafidi.

Campus (Digital)

Award of Excellence: *The Clarion* | Bethel University — Taylor Hanson, Kathryn Kovalenko, Claire Peterson, Aiden Penner, Madi Kremer.

Award of Merit: *Liberty Champion* | Liberty University — Maria Davis, Paige Sturek, Kadence McKinnon, Jaida Barber, Kristina Smith, Jason Tong.

Christian Ministry (Print)

Award of Excellence: *Teachers of Vision* — Dawn Molnar, Lara Busold, Dan Stelzer, Jere Vandewalle.

Awards of Merit: *Proclaim!* — Charlotte Sanchez, Jay Fordice, Melissa Woods, Kevin Nordyke, Katie Bredemeier. *Influence* — George P. Wood, Christina Quick, Steve Lopez, Ron Kopczick. *Evangelicals* — Sarah Kropp Brown, Emma Patel.

Christian Ministry (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Lifeway Research — Scott McConnell, Carol Pipes, Marissa Postell Sullivan, Aaron Earls.

Award of Merit: *Teachers of Vision* — Dawn Molnar, Lara Busold, Dan Stelzer, Jere Vandewalle.

Denominational (Print)

Award of Excellence: *The Covenant Companion* — Cathy Norman Peterson, Kristi Schild, Linda Sladkey.

Awards of Merit: Alliance Life — Caylie Smith, Hannah Packard. SAConnects — Warren L. Maye, Robert Mitchell, Hugo Bravo, Reginald Raines, Lea L. Greene. Christian Leader — Connie Faber, Janae Shafer, Shelley Kallsen.

Denominational (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Light + Life Magazine — Brett Heintzman, Jeff Finley, Karen Cantu, Karen Kinnaman, Carl Brand, Douglas Britt.

Awards of Merit: *The Banner* — Alissa Vernon, Shiao Chong, Sarah Heth, Kristen Vanderberg, Lorilee Craker, Pete Euwema. *Baptist Press* — Brandon Porter, Laura Erlanson, Diana Chandler, Scott Barkley.

Devotional (Print)

Award of Excellence: *The Brink* — David Jones, Sondra Blackburn, Randy Ledbetter, Claire Ryan, Carol Reid, Andrea Young.

Awards of Merit: Forward — Claire Ryan, Andrea Young, Kathy Murphy, Carol Reid, Katie Greenwood. Fusion Family — David Jones, Marianne Stewart, Randy Ledbetter, Kathy Murphy, Janiece Waldrop, Andrea Young. FUSIONext — Kathy Murphy, Sondra Blackburn, David Jones, Carol Reid, Claire Ryan, Andrea Young. Honorable Mention: In Touch.

Devotional (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Arise Daily — Linda Evans Shepherd, Julie Zine Coleman, Mel Tavares, Tom Young, Maria Schwake, Amber Weigand-Buckley.

General (Print)

Award of Excellence: Christianity Today — Russell Moore, Ashley Hales, Erik Petrik, Sarah Gordon, Jared Boggess, Joy Allmond.

Awards of Merit: Common Good — Aaron Hanbury, Sarah Haywood, Eric Rivier Jiminez, Andrea Stember. Answers Magazine — Sarah Eshleman, Chris Neville, Schuyler Vander Wilt, Georgia Purdom, Stacy Evans. Captivate — Mark Dreistadt, Darrell Law.

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General (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Answers Research Journal — Georgia Purdom, Andrew Snelling, Laurel Hemmings, Troy Lacey, Luke Brown, Joel Leineweber.

Awards of Merit: Christianity Today — Bonnie Kristian, Mia Staub, Valerie Brouchek, Sarah Gordon, Jake Walsh, Leanne Snavely. Plugged In — Paul Asay, Bret Eckelberry, Adam Holz, Emily Tsiao, Bob Hoose, Kennedy Unthank. Religion Unplugged — Clemente Lisi.

Higher Ed (Print)

Award of Excellence: *Moody Alumni & Friends* — Linda Piepenbrink, Jeff Smith, Doug Fleener, Jackson Hassler, Audrey (Gotcher) Fohr, Jeff Bope.

Awards of Merit: DTS Magazine — Neil Coulter, Kraig McNutt, Jason Fox, Stephanie Johnston, Debbie Stevenson. Fuller — Jerome Blanco, Chantelle Gibbs, Theresa Crooks, Nate Harrison, Aly Hawkins. Concordia Seminary Magazine — Vicki Biggs, Melanie Ave, Beth Hasek, Courtney Koll, Sarah Maney, Christie Hampton.

Higher Ed (Digital)

Award of Excellence: *Fuller Studio* — Elijah Davidson, Patrick Duff, Lauren Meares, Jerome Blanco, Nate Harrison, Lindsey Sheets.

Award of Merit: Concordia Seminary Magazine — Vicki Biggs, Melanie Ave, Christopher Miller, Beth Hasek.

Missions (Print)

Award of Excellence: Message Magazine — Alex Kocman, Katelyn Hawkins, Christine Morales.

Award of Merit: *Intercede* — James Eagles, Alan Doerksen, Eliud Herrera, Izabella Godin.

Missions (Digital)

Award of Excellence: *Christar* — Beverly Guy, Natalie Mubita, Esther Carey, Thai Martin, Sue Eenigenburg.

Award of Merit: *Message Magazine* — Alex Kocman, Katelyn Hawkins, Christine Morales.

Newspaper (Print)

Award of Excellence: The Pathway — Benjamin Hawkins.

Awards of Merit: The Baptist Paper — Shawn Hendricks, Lauren Grim. The Christian Chronicle — Erik Tryggestad, Bobby Ross Jr., Audrey Jackson, Calvin Cockrell, Cheryl Mann Bacon, Jeremie Beller. The Alabama Baptist — TAB Media Group staff.

Newspaper-Online News (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Rapt Interviews — Justin Camp.

Awards of Merit: Christian Daily International — Gordon Showell-Rogers, Christopher Chou, Timothy Goropevsek. The Christian Chronicle — Erik Tryggestad, Bobby Ross Jr., Audrey Jackson, Calvin Cockrell, Cheryl Mann Bacon, Jeremie Beller. The Lion — Joshua Mann, Michael Ryan.

Honorable Mention: The Christian Post

Organizational (Print)

Award of Excellence: Focus on the Family Magazine — Sheila Seifert, Andrea Gutierrez, Scott DeNicola, Sally Dunn, Julie Vieux.

Awards of Merit: World Vision Magazine — Kristy Glaspie, Jon Warren, Kari Costanza, Sevil Omer, Laura Reinhardt, Lauren Reed. Decision Magazine — Bob Paulson, Jerry Pierce, Jerri Menges, Lee Weeks, Dwayne Cogdill, Jamie Adamson. Family North Carolina — AnnaScott Cross, Leslie Boyd, John Rustin.

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Organizational (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Answers in Genesis — Frost Smith, Jeremy Ham, Joel Leineweber, Linda Sauer, Tyler Evans, Luke Brown.

Awards of Merit: World Vision News & Stories — Kristy Glaspie, Amy Van Drunen, Sevil Omer, Laura Reinhardt, Kari Costanza, Jon Warren. Turning Points with David Jeremiah — David Jeremiah, Nathan Johnson, Steve Devlin, Mishell Hahn, Molly Mancuso, Kimee Randall.

Youth (Print)

Award of Excellence: Kids Answers Magazine — Sarah Eshleman, Chris Neville, Schuyler Vander Wilt, Georgia Purdom, Stacy Evans.

Awards of Merit: Explorer's Guide — Janiece Waldrop, Sondra Blackburn, Kathy Murphy, Katie Greenwood. Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr. — Jesse Florea, Lexie Rhodes, Grace Kelley, Rachel Pfeiffer, Jim Cail. Focus on the Family Clubhouse — Jesse Florea, Stephen O'Rear, Jenny Dillon, Ken Crane, Rachel Pfeiffer, Jim Cail.

Honorable Mention: Velocity.

Youth (Digital)

Award of Excellence: Peer — Elizabeth Hanley.

Award of Merit: Kids Answers — Linda Sauer, Troy Lacey, Tyler Evans.

Most Improved (Print)

Award of Excellence: *Christianity Today* — Russell Moore, Erik Petrik, Sarah Gordon, Jared Boggess, Jake Walsh, Joy Allmond.

HIGHER GOALS

The 2025 Higher Goals awards honor the best work done in specific categories during the 2024 calendar year.

Article Series

First Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, Special project: Reading, 'riting ... religion — Cheryl Mann Bacon, Bobby Ross Jr., Calvin Cockrell. Second Place: The Banner, Let's Talk! — Todd Pheifer. Third Place: War Cry, Christian Virtues for Today — Dr. Felicia Wu Song, Dr. Karen Hurula. Fourth Place: DTS Magazine, Grateful for the Privilege of Joyful Worship — Mark Bailey, Stephanie Johnston, Neil Coulter. Fifth Place: The Lion, YouRule! How Saving America Depends Entirely on You and What You Can Do About It — Michael Ryan.

Biblical Exposition

First Place: Influence, How to Succeed at Suffering — Craig Keener. Second Place: One Magazine, I Look to the Stars — Phillip T. Morgan. Third Place: The Banner, Dust and the Divine — Kyle Meyaard-Schaap. Fourth Place: Christian Leader, Made in the image of God — Jim Holm. Fifth Place: Christianity Today, Is Sexuality a Matter of First Importance? — Sam Allberry.

Critical Review

First Place: Christianity Today, Jordan Peterson Loves God's Word. But What About God? — Brad East. Second Place: Plugged In, Beautifully Broken — Adam Holz. Third Place: Crux, Book Review of "Holy Unhappiness" — Julie Lane-Gay. Fourth Place: The Lion, Supreme Court Justice Jackson's family story makes powerful case for school choice — Daniel Suhr. Fifth Place: The Banner, Nourishing Narratives: The Power of Story to Shape Our Faith — Lorilee Craker.

Department

First Place: Christianity Today, Qualms & Proverbs — Beth Moore, Kevin Antlitz, Kiara John-Charles. Second Place: World Vision Magazine, In the Kitchen — Laura Reinhardt, André Guardiola, Lauren Reed. Third Place: SAConnects, Volunteer Spotlight — Hugo Bravo. Fourth Place: Focus on the Family Magazine, Movie Messages — Paul Asay, Sheila Seifert. Fifth Place: Faith Today, Books + Culture — Bill Fledderus.

HIGHER GOALS

Devotional

First Place: War Cry, The Language of Faithfulness — Captain Stephanie Pavlakis. Second Place: Brio Magazine, God's Love Never Changes. — Amy Lynn Green. Third Place: One Magazine, I Look to the Stars — Phillip T. Morgan. Fourth Place: Carla Foote, Listen to the Heartbeat. Fifth Place: The Banner, Turning Over a New Leaf — Lorilee Craker.

Editorial

First Place: Word&Way Online, The Lord Was Not in the Earthquake — Brian Kaylor. Second Place: Christian Post, The, Sikh prayer at RNC: Why as an Evangelical I have no problem with this — Richard Land. Third Place: Mutuality, A "Plain Reading of Scripture" — Carrie Silveira. Fourth Place: The Banner, Slippery Slope — Shiao Chong. Fifth Place: The Christian Chronicle, Reporting on controversies — Bobby Ross Jr.

Evangelism Article

First Place: Outreach Magazine, Unleash Your Youth! — Greg Stier. Second Place: Influence, Persuading the Other — George P. Wood. Third Place: Peer, Walking The Talk — Captain Joshua Hubbard. Fourth Place: War Cry, The Resurrection: The Body of Evidence — Major Nigel Bovey. Fifth Place: Lifeway Research, Seeing People for the Sake of the Gospel — Dustin Schadt.

Fiction

First Place: Brio Magazine, Sweetie and the Crow Keeper — Amanda Cleary Eastep. Second Place: Kids Answers Magazine, The Stunt Show Stand-in — Dustin Brady. Third Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr., Dudley Gets Moving — Nancy Sanders. Fourth Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse, With Flying Colors — Willa Wolcott. Fifth Place: Explorer's Guide, Explorer's Academy--Bella's Choice — Derek Lewis.

First-Person Article

First Place: Christianity Today, Unboxing Estrangement: Even When Family Ties Are Severed, God Does Not Cut Off His Care — Carrie McKean. Second Place: One Magazine, The Gospel in Bloom — Joshua Hampton. Third Place: Seana Scott, What I Learned When I Lost Everything. Fourth Place: Evangelical Missions Quarterly, Image Bearers of God's Love Unite! — Jenna Sanderson. Fifth Place: Teachers of Vision, Trusting God for a 152 — Elaine Coleman.

Freelance Article

First Place: Marianne Stewart, Within Arms' Reach. Second Place: Cheryl Bacon, Little money, few benefits: Retiring ministers struggle. Third Place: Lori Arnold, Flames Fail to Quench Passion to Serve. Fourth Place: Ann Byle, Faith Fiction's Rewrite. Fifth Place: Joyce K. Ellis, Help! I'm a Parent Run Ragged.

General Article: Short

First Place: Answers Magazine, Made to Multiply — Schuyler Vander Wilt. Second Place: War Cry, The Sacrament of Bell Ringing — Phil Laeger. Third Place: Brio Magazine, Spiraling Thoughts — Kelly Solli. Fourth Place: Kids Answers Magazine, Chatty Cavies — Valerie Principe. Fifth Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, Team finds the good in a tough, tough season — Erik Tryggestad.

General Article: Medium

First Place: The Voice of the Martyrs, Trading Coca Plants for Church Plants.

Second Place: Forward, Unfilter Your Faith — Carissa Potter. Third Place: World Vision Magazine, Yessica in the mirror — Catherine Turcios. Fourth Place: The Christian Chronicle, 'Great cloud of witnesses' helped propel Harding football to national title — Erik Tryggestad. Fifth Place: SAConnects, Sobriety Through Service — Robert Mitchell.

General Article: Long

First Place: Moody Alumni & Friends, The Church Lady Is Here — Linda Piepenbrink. Second Place: Teachers of Vision, Open Your Books to Page 37 — Mike Hicks. Third Place: Fuller, Accompanying One Another on the Thresholds of Suffering — Tyler Brewington-Mathis. Fourth Place: Michael Foust, Don't Give Your Kid a Cell Phone: 4 Reasons a Smartwatch Is the Wiser Option. Fifth Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, Ukraine: Where is God in a war zone? — Erik Tryggestad.

HIGHER GOALS

Humorous

First Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse, Adventures of Average Boy: Christmas Tree Tragedy — Bob Smiley. Second Place: The Brink, Let's Go Off the Rails—Advice for the Socially Awkward — Jon Forrest. Third Place: The Banner, Depression Screening — Rod Hugen. Fourth Place: Leading Hearts, A Holiday Hermit's Guide to Enjoying Family Gatherings (without doubling up on your medication) — Amber Weigand-Buckley. Fifth Place: Forward, Why Didn't God Give Me Wings? — Jon Forrest.

Interview Article

First Place: The Lion, Christian Teacher of the Year: Dr. John McWilliams uses nature to reveal God's invisible attributes — Josh Mann. Second Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, 'Momma, I can see Jesus' — Bobby Ross Jr. Third Place: Rapt Interviews, W. David O. Taylor — Justin Camp. Fourth Place: Influence, Blessed Are the Peacemakers — John W. Kennedy. Fifth Place: World Vision News & Stories, On the Move with Team World Vision — Laura Reinhardt.

Personality Article

First Place: Brio Magazine, Moriah: Bravely Choosing Jesus — Benjamin Hawkins, Crystal Kupper. Second Place: Decision Magazine, In God We Trust — Lee Weeks. Third Place: The Lion, Gregg Preston's dream of being a teacher, coach and evangelist finds its fulfillment in 35-year career — Adam Wittenberg. Fourth Place: SAConnects, The Birdman of Rikers Island — Robert Mitchell. Fifth Place: The Christian Post, Special needs mom on how to redefine caregiving as 'holy work, ' issues call to action to Church — Leah Klett.

Poetry

First Place: Crux, Driving Home after the Eclipse, I Make Mental Notes — Sarah Crowley Chestnut. Second Place: DTS Magazine, Sent — Stephanie McIntosh. Third Place: Faith Today, They said nothing to anyone — Luke Sawczak. Fourth Place: Chris Maxwell, Step By Step — Chris Maxwell. Fifth Place: Stephen Clark, Hal The Neighbor — Stephen Clark.

Reporting

First Place: Christianity Today, Rehab Revival: Church-run addiction centers are a rare bright spot in Vietnam's war on drugs. The country's communist leaders want to know why. — Angela Fulton. Second Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, Imperfect storms — Cheryl Mann Bacon. Third Place: The Baptist Standard, BGCT rejects call to affirm 2000 Baptist Faith & Message — Ken Camp. Fourth Place: The Christian Chronicle, 'Midland Christian Five' say arrests devastated their lives — Bobby Ross Jr., Kenneth Pybus. Fifth Place: Christian Leader, Serving in solidarity — Janae Shafer.

Standing Column

First Place: Teachers of Vision, Teaching With Purpose — Dave Stuart Jr. Second Place: Fusion Family, Closer — Gary Thomas. Third Place: Influence, Leadership: Ethics — George P. Wood, John Wootton. Fourth Place: War Cry, Healthy Habits — Major Rob Reardon, Major Amy Reardon. Fifth Place: Faith Today, Cross Connections — David Guretzki.

Student Writer of the Year

First Place: Priscilla Papers, Martha the Minister: A Sermon on Luke 10:38–42 — Alison Gerber. Second Place: Mutuality, Argula Von Grumback: Speaking Truth to Power — Lark Kelsey. Third Place: The Clarion, Will anybody read it? — Taylor Hanson. Fourth Place: The Banner, Peacemaking: Face to Face — Madelyn Vander Meer. Fifth Place: Concordia Seminary Magazine, Sharing the joy of Jesus through podcasts — Lucas Moody.

<u>Cartoon</u>

First Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse, The Magnificent Mulligans — Wan Mek, Bill Myers. Second Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr., Friends Out Back — Kevin Zimmer, Crystal Bowman. Third Place: Velocity, Bad Luck Billy — Matthew Murphy.

HIGHER GOALS

Original Art: Digital/Mixed Media

First Place: Christianity Today, March 2024 Cover — Danielle Del Plato, Jared Boggess, Sarah Gordon, Erik Petrik. Second Place: Answers Insider, Who Am I? — Michaela Duncan, Justine Foster. Third Place: Focus on the Family Magazine, Next Step. Adulthood — Patrick Boyer. Fourth Place: Answers Magazine, Sanctuary in the Snow — Chris Neville. Fifth Place: The Covenant Companion, Grappling with the Image of Jesus.

Original Art: Traditional

First Place: Christianity Today, The Sprinter Who Held Fast — Nate Sweitzer. Second Place: Answers Magazine, Made to Multiply — Ben locco. Third Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse, Kings of the Hill — James Bernardin. Fourth Place: Kids Answers Magazine, Just for Fun: Museum Match — Ben locco. Fifth Place: Focus on the Family Magazine, The Character-Building Power of Chores — Adam Larkum.

Single Photo: Candid

First Place: World Vision Magazine, Mbuyuni Boy Herder — Jon Warren. Second Place: World Vision News & Stories, Mbuyuni women — Jon Warren. Third Place: Cru Storylines, Let Me Tell You a Story - students standing on the couches — Tom Mills. Fourth Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, A medical mission to 'the hub of Boko Haram' — Audrey Jackson. Fifth Place: The Voice of the Martyrs, Forward After the Fire.

Single Photo: Controlled

First Place: World Vision News & Stories, Smile for chickens — Laura Reinhardt. Second Place: World Vision Magazine, Yessica in the mirror — André Guardiola. Third Place: The Voice of the Martyrs, Giving the Pain to Christ. Fourth Place: Alliance Life, The Power of Persistent Prayer — Caylie Smith. Fifth Place: War Cry, Dolly Parton Kicks off Red Kettle Season.

Photo Feature

First Place: Cru Storylines, Good News Goes Global through Guatemalan Soccer — Ted Wilcox. Second Place: The Christian Chronicle, 'God doesn't live here anymore' — Audrey Jackson. Third Place: The Christian Chronicle Online, A medical mission to 'the hub of Boko Haram' — Audrey Jackson. Fourth Place: World Vision News & Stories, Abraham's journey: Unstoppable — Kari Costanza, Jon Warren. Fifth Place: Christianity Today, Rehab Revival — Abigail Erickson, Jared Boggess, Tim Barker.

Photography Use: Print

First Place: World Vision Magazine — Jon Warren, Laura Reinhardt, Amy Van Drunen, Lauren Reed. Second Place: Fuller — Nate Harrison, Theresa Crooks, Lindsey Sheets, Jon SooHoo, Chase Tarca, Saraî Elguezabal. Third Place: Christianity Today — Jared Boggess, Abigail Erickson, Sarah Gordon. Fourth Place: Alliance Life — Olivia McCash, Rosie Xiong, Andy Carr, Stephanie Reindel. Fifth Place: War Cry — Andrea Martin, Rachel Domotor, Hana Seo.

Photography Use: Digital

First Place: World Vision News & Stories — Jon Warren, Laura Reinhardt, Amy Van Drunen, Lauren Reed, World Vision Global Staff. Second Place: Rapt Interviews — Justin Camp.

Table of Contents

First Place: Luke Society News — Dan Breen. Second Place: SAConnects — Lea L. Greene. Third Place: World Vision Magazine — Journey Group, Sandra Boedecker, Beth Gallick. Fourth Place: Peer — Andrea Martin. Fifth Place: Faith Today — Janice Van Eck.

Typography and Lettering

First Place: Peer, Scripture Art — Frieda Ruh, Andrea Martin. Second Place: Focus on the Family Magazine, Memory Verse — Débora Islas, Sally Dunn, Julie Vieux. Third Place: War Cry, Joy to the World — Saskia Bueno, Andrea Martin. Fourth Place: Answers Magazine, More Than Words — Chris Neville. Fifth Place: Influence, The Idolatry of Bigness — Steve Lopez.

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Cover

First Place: Focus on the Family Magazine — Gary Locke, Sally Dunn, Julie Vieux. Second Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse, The Silver Squid — Kevin Keele, Jenny Dillon. Third Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr., Special Delivery — Marcos de Mello, Lexie Rhodes. Fourth Place: Decision Magazine — Dwayne Cogdill. Fifth Place: Evangelical Missions Quarterly, Diversity & Mutuality: Working Together to Share the Good News — Kurtis Amundson.

Infographic

First Place: Faith Today, Highlights from the State of the Great Commission report — Janice Van Eck. Second Place: Marianne Stewart, Summer 2024 Olympics Infographic. Third Place: Luke Society News, Financial Report infographic — Dan Breen. Fourth Place: Christianity Today, New CT, Who Dis? A Brief History of CT Redesigns — Daniel Silliman. Fifth Place: One Magazine, The Hanna Project — Marianne Stewart.

Two-Page Spread Design

First Place: Influence, The Idolatry of Bigness — Steve Lopez. Second Place: Kids Answers Magazine, Hike and Seek: Desert Dashers — Chris Neville. Third Place: Marianne Stewart, Jesus vs. Paul — Marianne Stewart. Fourth Place: Peer, When Drama Comes — Rachel Domotor, Andrea Martin. Fifth Place: Teachers of Vision, Kidney Brothers — Dan Stelzer.

Publication Design

First Place: Peer — Andrea Martin, Hana Seo, Rachel Domotor. Second Place: World Vision Magazine — Jacob Melton, Journey Group, Jon Warren, Lauren Reed. Third Place: Answers Magazine — Chris Neville. Fourth Place: Alliance Life — Caylie Smith, Olivia McCash, Rosie Xiong, Andy Carr, Erin Lillie, Julissa Matias Flores. Fifth Place: Fuller — Theresa Crooks, Nate Harrison, Eric Tai, Rosalba Rios, Charity Ellis.

Publication Redesign

First Place: The Christian Chronicle — José Reyes, Nikolle Reyes, Audrey Jackson, Bobby Ross Jr., Erik Tryggestad, Christi Romå. Second Place: Decision Magazine — Dwayne Cogdill, Jim Dailey, Peter Taylor. Third Place: Christianity Today — Sarah Gordon, Jared Boggess, Erik Petrik, Jake Walsh, Russell Moore, Joy Allmond.

Blog: Single post

First Place: Plugged In, The Rise (and Danger) of the Al Relationship — Kennedy Unthank. Second Place: Christar, Funding, Fears and Faith: What About Support-Raising? — Beverly Guy, Thai Martin. Third Place: Concordia Seminary Magazine, Fly on the wall: Without the Holy Spirit, we wouldn't even know what we were doing here — Leopoldo Sanchez. Fourth Place: Brethren in Christ U.S. Blog, Planting in Good Ground: A coffee shop helps sex industry survivors grow and flourish. — Salynda Hogsett. Fifth Place: Michael Foust, Don't Give Your Kid a Cell Phone: 4 Reasons a Smartwatch Is the Wiser Option.

Blog: Website

First Place: Plugged In, The Plugged In Blog — Emily Tsiao, Paul Asay, Adam Holz, Bob Hoose, Bret Eckelberry, Kennedy Unthank. Second Place: Concordia Seminary Magazine, concordiatheology.org — Kevin Golden, Christopher Miller, Beth Hasek, Melanie Ave, Vicki Biggs. Third Place: Brethren in Christ U.S. Blog — Salynda Hogsett, editor, Michael Bowlin, photographer & designer, Mitch Martin. Fourth Place: Stephen Clark, Christian Freelance Writers Network — Randy Petersen, Ann-Margret Hovsepian, Stephen Clark. Fifth Place: Michael Tolosa, Once Blind.

e-Newsletter

First Place: World Vision News & Stories, World Vision eNews — Amy Van Drunen. Second Place: Lifeway Research, Lifeway Research Insights Newsletter — Marissa Postell Sullivan, Aaron Earls. Third Place: The Lion, The Weekly Digest — Abigail Wiley, Delaney Greim, Josh Mann. Fourth Place: Word&Way Online, Word&Way News — Brian Kaylor, Jeremy Fuzy.

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Website Design

First Place: World Vision News & Stories — Laura Reinhardt, Amy Van Drunen, Sevil Omer, Jon Warren, World Vision Staff, Journey Group. Second Place: Peer — Elizabeth Hanley. Third Place: The Lion — Josh Mann, Chris Vas, Michael Ryan. Fourth Place: The Christian Post — Chris Chou, Michelle Vu, William Lin, Melissa Barnhart, Samuel Smith. Fifth Place: Christianity Today — Valerie Brouchek, Sarah Gordon, Jake Walsh, Leanne Snavely.

Podcast

First Place: Christianity Today, Music & Meaning: Sister Rosetta Tharpe - The True Pioneer of Gospel Rock — Charlie Peacock, Mike Cosper, Matt Stevens, Erik Petrik, Raed Gilliam, David LaChance. Second Place: The Voice of the Martyrs, Eritrean Pastor's Daughter: "I Realized My Dad Wasn't Coming Home" — Todd Nettleton. Third Place: The Christian Post, Kamala, Waheguru, And Other False Gods: The Identity Campaign of 2024 — Ian Giatti, Billy Hallowell, Rick Marquez, Stephen Robles. Fourth Place: The Lion, The Lion Week in Review: An Exclusive Interview with Donald Trump — Chris Stigall, Josh Mann, Michael Ryan, Jillian Schneider, Matt Wacker. Fifth Place: Concordia Seminary Magazine, Tangible: Resilient witness in dark times — Jessica Bordeleau, Chad Lakies, Dale A. Meyer.

Video Podcast

First Place: Turning Points with David Jeremiah Online, Passages -- Uriel Vega — David Jeremiah, David Todd Jeremiah, Grace Anne Baker, Nico Bellarde, Eric Lucas, Howard Pittman. Second Place: Christianity Today, The Russell Moore Show: An Update the Anxious Generation with Jonathan Haidt — Russell Moore, Ashley Hales, Erik Petrik, Mike Cosper, Abby Egan, McKenzie Hill. Third Place: The Lion, Lion Week in Review: An Election Landslide, The Christian Vote, And Civics In The Classroom — Chris Stigall, Josh Mann, Michael Ryan, Adam Wittenberg, Matt Wacker. Fourth Place: Plugged In, Is 'The Muppet Christmas Carol' the BEST Christmas Carol Movie? — Paul Asay, Emily Tsiao, Ross Gunn. Fifth Place: Michael Tolosa, Faith, Film & Integrity: Actress Melissa Temme's Journey in Hollywood & Beyond — Michael Tolosa.

Social Media Short Video

First Place: Fuller Studio, The Gospel According to Bill Pannell Trailer — Patrick Duff, Lindsey Sheets, Tatiana Hoapili. Second Place: SAConnects, Buffalo Soldiers ring the bell in Camden, NJ — Johnny Shyr, Alex Darcey, Julie Bacon, Jacob Douglass, Kevin Diaz. Third Place: Turning Points with David Jeremiah Online, True Life Stories - Terror — David Jeremiah, Paul Joiner, Nico Bellarde, Eric Lucas, Shannon Mann, Levi Dulay. Fourth Place: Brethren in Christ U.S. Blog, A Father to the Fatherless — Michael Bowlin. Fifth Place: Light + Life Magazine, The Persevering Family — Carl Brand, Kevin Eccles, Ben Tolly, Jeff Finley, Karen Kinnaman, Karen Cantu.

Short-form Video

First Place: SAConnects, A Chance to Rise — Johnny Shyr, Alex Darcey, Julie Bacon, Jacob Douglass, Kevin Diaz. Second Place: Turning Points with David Jeremiah Online, The International Impact of "Reach the World Day" — David Jeremiah, Paul Joiner, Jeff Larson, Jeff Wood, Yessenia Jimenez, Cindy Chen. Third Place: Concordia Seminary Magazine, 2024 Christmas greeting — Sarah Maney, Lifetime Video, Vicki Biggs. Fourth Place: Brethren in Christ U.S. Blog, Being Human: Restoring dignity in the aftermath of the opioid epidemic. — Michael Bowlin. Fifth Place: The Lion, Interview with Joe Kennedy, author of 'Average Joe' — Chris Stigall, Matt Wacker.

Long-form Video

First Place: SAConnects, Little Bird: Reflections from Darnell Nixon — Johnny Shyr, Alex Darcey, Julie Bacon, Jacob Douglass, Kevin Diaz. Second Place: Turning Points with David Jeremiah Online, The Coming Golden Age Interview — David Jeremiah, Paul Joiner, Jeff Larson, Troy Dausend, Kyle Chansler. Third Place: Fuller Studio, The Gospel According to Bill Pannell, Part One — Patrick Duff, Elijah Davidson, Lauren Meares, Chantelle Gibbs, Jemar Tisby. Fourth Place: Answers in Genesis, We Saw Something VERY Different From What the Media Covered — Danny Faulkner, Rob Webb, Tom Steffen, Adam Brown, Sarah Bryhn. Fifth Place: The Lion, HF School Box Stories: Yellowstone Classical Christian Academy — Jordan Vanderplate.

HIGHER GOALS

Feature Article

First Place: Influence, The Idolatry of Bigness — Karl Vaters. Second Place: Common Good, Katherine Paterson Is Right at Home — Aaron Hanbury, Emil Handke, Joel Holland, Andrea Stember, Sarah Haywood. Third Place: Christian History, The spectacle and the spiritual — David L. Eastman, Kaylena Radcliff, Douglas Johnson, Max Pointner, Jennifer Woodruff Tait, Dan Graves. Fourth Place: World Vision News & Stories, Life under a tree: A celebrating families story — Kari Costanza, Jon Warren. Fifth Place: Christianity Today, How to Clean Up a Knowledge Disaster — Emily Belz, Andy Olsen, Israel Vargas, Alyssa Chavez, Jared Boggess, Sarah Gordon.

Single-Theme Section or Issue

First Place: Fuller, Chaplaincy Issue — Jerome Blanco, Chantelle Gibbs, Theresa Crooks, Nate Harrison, Aly Hawkins. Second Place: Christianity Today, The Globe Issue — Mindy Belz, Andy Olsen, Marshall McKinney, Sarah Gordon, Abigail Erickson. Third Place: Common Good, The Food Issue — Sarah Haywood, managing editor, Aaron Hanbury, editor, Andrea Stember, design director. Fourth Place: Answers Magazine, Language — Sarah Eshleman, Chris Neville, Schuyler Vander Wilt, Kaitlyn Iocca, Laura Allnutt, Georgia Purdom. Fifth Place: Christian History, Awakenings — Kaylena Radcliff, Michael J. McClymond, Doug Johnson, Dan Graves, Max Pointner, Meg Moss.

HIGHER GOALS

Titles

First Place: SAConnects, The Birdman of Rikers Island; A Hand to Strangers in a Strange Land; Creating for the King — Robert Mitchell, Hugo Bravo, Reginald Raines, Lea L. Greene. Second Place: Answers Magazine, The Gift of Tongues; Inspired. Inerrant. In Question?; Bringing Bones to Life. Third Place: War Cry, Beyond The Landing: The Journey of Perseverance; When Mother's Day Hurts; Choose Better, Not Bitter — Kendall Louden, Lori Hatcher, Kathleen Bustamante. Fourth Place: Focus on the Family Clubhouse Jr., Blowing Bubbles; Loud and Clear; Trick or Truth — Lexie Rhodes, Grace Kelley, Rachel Pfeiffer, Jesse Florea. Fifth Place: The Voice of the Martyrs, A Divine Misdial; When Death Waits at the Door; Sorrow in Jihad, Joy in Jesus.

Cause of the Year: Generosity

First Place: World Vision News & Stories, Sheep and Sponsorship: A winning combination — Laura Reinhardt. Second Place: World Vision Magazine, On the Move with Team World Vision — Laura Reinhardt. Third Place: Christianity Today, God Calls me to Give. But to Everyone? — Anthony Sytsma. Fourth Place: Peer, A Generous Heart — Major Jamie Spalding. Fifth Place: Brio Magazine, Loving Without Reservation — Crystal Kupper.

Cause of the Year Illustration/Photo: Generosity

First Place: World Vision News & Stories, Carrying Abraham to School — Jon Warren. Second Place: War Cry, Growing Together: Nurturing a Spirit of Generosity — Janie Hao. Third Place: World Vision Magazine, Danita on the move — Laura Reinhardt