

# Around the State: Olson to lecture at Howard Payne

February 8, 2017

Theologian **Roger Olson** will deliver the 10th annual Currie-Strickland Distinguished Lectures in Christian Ethics at Howard Payne University. Olson, the Foy Valentine Professor of Christian Theology and Ethics at Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary, will speak on "Both-And Ethics: Reconciling Reinhold Niebuhr and Stanley Hauerwas." The lectures are scheduled 7:30 p.m. Feb. 23 and 10 a.m. Feb. 24 in the Richard and Wanda Jackson Conference Room of the Paul and Jane Meyer Faith and Life Leadership Center on the Howard Payne campus in Brownwood. The lectures are free and open to the public, but reservations are requested. Contact the HPU School of Christian Studies by email at [currie-strickland@hputx.edu](mailto:currie-strickland@hputx.edu) or by phone at (325) 649-8403.

**Rucker Preston**, a Dallas Baptist University graduate with a master's degree from Baylor University's Diana R. Garland School of Social Work, was named statewide coordinator and executive director of the Texas Christian Community Development Network. Preston has been executive director of Helping Hands Ministry in Belton since 2012 and has worked with that organization since 2008. The network's board also named **Javier Perez** as part-time consultant to work on outreach among Hispanics and in urban area. Perez, a former student at Baptist University of the Americas, works with Buckner International in global missions efforts related to poverty alleviation and missional engagement.

Dallas Baptist University will host its annual President's Day Patriot Preview for prospective students and their parents Feb. 20. Prospective students will have the opportunity to tour the campus, visit with faculty



and administrators, and receive information about admissions, financial aid, campus activities and other aspects of life at DBU. Guests also will hear from current students about their experiences. The event is free of charge for a prospective student and up to two guests. For more information, contact the office of undergraduate admissions at (214) 333-5360, e-mail [admiss@dbu.edu](mailto:admiss@dbu.edu) or click [here](#).

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**Bruce Irving**, 35th as pastor at First Baptist Church in George West