

# **Down Home: The best 25 cents spent on spring vacation**

May 26, 2012

If an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, as the old saying goes, then what's a couple of tablets of Meclizine worth?

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# **Right or Wrong? Religious Bigotry**

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Some Baptists cite Baptist patriarch Thomas Helwys' 17th century advocacy for religious liberty for all, but they still make racist comments about Jews and/or Muslims. How can we help them reconcile this contradiction?

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# **Quotes in the News**

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"When people make grandiose claims about 'God's will' and 'American values' and demonize others who hold different views, we haven't just channeled a tragic yesterday and its wars and pogroms. We have poisoned

the well of community on which our nation depends today and made a mockery of God and faith." -Tom Ehrich

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## **Texas Baptist Forum**

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Disappointed by Baptist Conference on Sexuality.

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## **In Touch: From Baylor to Austin, Tyler & Bartlett**

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I begin by thanking Jim Denison for his willingness to continue serving our Texas Baptist family as our theologian-in-residence.

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## **2nd Opinion: Border violence &**

# **Christian faith**

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Christians are not called to a life of comfort but to one in which we do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. Violence in Mexico is challenging our fidelity to that vision and our love of the brethren.

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## **EDITORIAL: Pull the switch on the death penalty**

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Gov. Rick Perry should place a moratorium on executions, and the next session of the Texas Legislature should vote to abolish the death penalty.

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## **DOWN HOME: Pomp, circumstance & a short speech**

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Mid-May has arrived, and the strains of Pomp and Circumstance waft across campuses from sea to shining sea.

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# **RIGHT or WRONG? Racism**

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Racism seems more complicated than ever, with some ethnic groups divided among themselves. On top of that, so many church-planting strategies and church-growth schemes are based on creating congregations for only "our kind." How can Christians get past this kind of racism?

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# **Reading the Culture: Being a better father**

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A member of our Denison Forum board recently gave me Gregory Slayton's *Be A Better Dad Today! 10 tools every father needs* (Regal, 2012). I hadn't read a book on fatherhood for a while, but I'm glad I spent time with this one. It's the most holistic and practical guide to fathering I've ever seen.

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# Quotes in the News

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"The church of Jesus Christ in the Western world is in terrible shape. Conservatives confuse certainty with faith. Liberals think knowledge alone is redemptive. We've got to come together." -Robin Meyers

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## **IN TOUCH: From Bryan to McKinney to Richmond**

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First Baptist in Bryan has worked in Estonia 20 years, and while I was in Bryan, I met the president of the Estonia Baptist Federation, who was there to celebrate the anniversary of that cooperative work.