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REPORTING AND WRITING

016. FEATURE ARTICLE: Newspaper/Newsletter

• Honorable Mention
  The Alabama Baptist
  Rolling Billboard
  By Carrie Brown McWhorter

• Award of Merit
  Hunger News & Hope
  How 2017 Natural Hazards Affected Food Security
  By Rachel Boyle

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Chronicle
  18 wheels and a heart to serve
  By Bobby Ross Jr.

017. FEATURE ARTICLE: News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
  Religion News Service
  Remembering King’s last sermon with renewed hope
  By Adelle M. Banks

• Award of Merit
  NAD NewsPoints
  Samantha's Story
  By Kimberly Luste Maran

• Award of Excellence
  Sojourners
  'This Is Not a Crisis. This Is a Long-Term Disaster': Family Separation Is the Latest Eruption in an Ongoing Story
  By Sandi Villarreal
018. FEATURE ARTICLE: Magazine, Short Format (1,200 words or fewer)

• Honorable Mention
Presbyterians Today
Raising Generous Children
By Pam Greer-Ulrich

• Award of Merit
Presbyterians Today - June/July 2018
“Beyond A Bag of Groceries”
By Sherry Blackman

• Award of Excellence
Adventist Review Ministries
Is Facebook Making Us Mean?
By Sari Fordham

019. FEATURE ARTICLE: Magazine, Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

• Honorable Mention
The United Church Observer
#MeToo in the United Church
By Trisha Elliott

• Honorable Mention
The Living Church
Lazarus and the Resurrection of a Boy with Down Syndrome
By The Rev. Zac Koons

• Honorable Mention
The Banner, Christian Reformed Church in NA
Uncomfortable Conversation
By Chuck DeGroat

• Award of Merit
The Presbyterian Outlook
Serving the world at the truck stop
By Sherry Blackman, The Presbyterian Outlook staff

• Award of Excellence
The United Church Observer Magazine
Angels on Call
By Roberta Staley

020. NEWS STORY: Newspaper/Newsletter
• Honorable Mention
The Christian Chronicle
At the border, a prayer for 'forgotten people'
By Erik Tryggestad

• Award of Merit
The Christian Chronicle
Seeking justice for Botham Jean
By Bobby Ross Jr.

• Award of Excellence
The Christian Chronicle
Tears and fears: Church teen killed by Arkansas police
By Bobby Ross Jr.

021. NEWS STORY: News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
Sojourners
From Grassroots to Government: A Climate Assessment Presents a Moral Opportunity
By Christina Colón

• Honorable Mention
NAD NewsPoints
Community Pulls Together After Deadliest Fire in California's History Burns Through Towns
By Kimberly Luste Maran

• Award of Merit
Presbyterian News Service
After synagogue shooting, Presbyterians share shock, grief; stand in solidarity with neighbors
By Paul Seebeck and Mike Ferguson

• Award of Excellence
Global Sisters Report (NCR)
Sisters applaud adoption of UN migration compact
By Chris Herlinger

022. NEWS STORY: Magazine

• Honorable Mention
Presbyterians Today
Rural Realities: Hunger in the Heartland
By Donna Frischknecht Jackson

• Honorable Mention
Word&Way
HLSU Invite to Hawley Breaks 'Johnson Amendment'
By Brian Kaylor

• Award of Merit
Presbyterians Today
Finding Homes for the Homeless
By Heidi Worthen Gamble

• Award of Excellence
The United Church Observer
Jehovah's Witnesses Cover-Up
By Kristy Woudstra

023. CONVENTION OR MEETING COVERAGE: Newspaper/Newsletter

• Honorable Mention
The Alabama Baptist
Alabama Baptist State Convention Report
By The Alabama Baptist staff

• Award of Merit
The Christian Chronicle
Fear and hope in Europe
By Erik Tryggestad

• Award of Excellence
PC(U.S.A.) Communications
General Assembly 223 News
By PC(USA) Communications

024. CONVENTION OR MEETING COVERAGE: News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
The Christian Chronicle
'Love Wins' at same-sex conference
By Bobby Ross Jr.

• Award of Merit
Global Sisters Report
Leadership Conference of Women Religious - 2018
By Soli Salgado, Brittany Wilmes, Dan Stockman

• Award of Excellence
Unbound
Renewing the Vision: Issues of Social Justice before the 223rd General Assembly (St. Louis)
By Henry Koenig Stone
025. CONVENTION OR MEETING COVERAGE: Magazine, Short Format (1,200 words or fewer)

- Honorable Mention
  The Christian Index
  The Nigeria National Young Adult Convention: Highlights
  By Ore L. Spragin, Jr.

- Award of Merit
  In Trust
  New Vatican document describes spiritual apprenticeship for Catholic seminarians
  By Christa R. Klein, writer

- Award of Excellence
  The Catholic Review
  Archbishop Lori Reflects on Completed Bishops’ Meeting
  By Christopher Gunty

026. CONVENTION OR MEETING COVERAGE: Magazine, Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

- Honorable Mention
  Word&Way
  Baptist World Alliance Coverage
  By Brian Kaylor, Editor

- Award of Merit
  The United Church Observer
  Meet the Nominees
  By Mike Milne

- Award of Excellence
  The United Church Observer
  General Council Special Report
  By Trisha Elliott, Mike Milne, Christopher White

027. IN-DEPTH COVERAGE: Newspaper/Newsletter

- Honorable Mention
  Hunger News & Hope
  Special Report: Water Issues at Home and Abroad
  By Linda Freeto

- Award of Merit
  The Christian Chronicle
Seeking justice for Botham Jean
By Bobby Ross Jr., Erik Tryggestad and Chellie Ison

• Award of Excellence
The Alabama Baptist
A look at mass incarceration in Alabama
By Martha Simmons

028. IN-DEPTH COVERAGE: News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
Religion News Service
Remembering King’s last sermon with renewed hope
By Adelle M. Banks

• Honorable Mention
Sojourners
Can We Afford Economic Justice in the United States?
By Daniel José Camacho

• Award of Merit
National Catholic Reporter/Global Sisters Report
Cubans, US exiles connect to help rebuild Cuba's Catholic Church
By Gail DeGeorge and Soli Salgado

• Award of Excellence
Baptist Standard
Paige Patterson controversy
By Ken Camp

029. IN-DEPTH COVERAGE: Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
Presbyterians Today - November/December 2018
“Rural Realities: Hunger in the Heartland”
By Donna Frischknecht Jackson

• Award of Merit
The United Church Observer
Jehovah's Witnesses Cover-Up
By Kristy Woudstra

• Award of Excellence
The Covenant Companion
Finding Refuge
By Companion Staff

030. EDITORIAL OR OPINION: News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
Baptist Standard
Do we really want an impartial media?
By Eric Black

• Award of Merit
NAD NewsPoints
A Quiet Witness
By Kimberly Luste Maran

• Award of Excellence
Baptist Standard
Why Paige Patterson’s comments on abuse are dangerous
By Meredith Stone

031. EDITORIAL OR OPINION: Newspaper/Newsletter/Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
Are you drinking yet?
By Jeffrey O. Brown

• Award of Merit
US Catholic
Money talks
By Meghan Murphy-Gill

• Award of Excellence
Sojourners
A Combination of Cruelty and Ineptitude
By Jim Wallis

032. EDITORIAL OR OPINION: James Solheim Award for Editorial Courage

• Honorable Mention
Word&Way
We Clearly Have a Problem
By Brian Kaylor, Editor

• Award of Merit
The Covenant Companion
Who Do You Say That I Am?
By Companion Staff

• Award of Excellence
  Presbyterian Outlook
  Renouncing white Jesus
  By Jill Duffield

033. THEME ISSUE, SECTION, OR SERIES: Newspaper/Newsletter

• Honorable Mention
  The Christian Chronicle
  50 Years: Racial Reconciliation and the Church
  By Bobby Ross Jr., Hamil R. Harris and Lynn McMillon

• Honorable Mention
  Hunger News & Hope
  From Water Crisis to Water Justice
  By Katie Cook, editor

• Award of Merit
  The Alabama Baptist
  The Alabama Baptist: Celebrating 175 Years
  By The Alabama Baptist staff

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Chronicle
  Big Questions for Churches of Christ
  By Erik Tryggestad, Bobby Ross Jr., Chellie Ison

034. THEME ISSUE, SECTION, OR SERIES: News Service/Website

• Honorable Mention
  Global Sisters Report
  Healing Divisions: Working to heal Cities Divided After Incidents of Anti-black Racism
  By Dawn Araujo-Hawkins

• Honorable Mention
  Presbyterian Outlook
  On the border: Faith stories from the front lines of migration
  By Leslie Scanlon

• Award of Merit
  Religion News Service
  America’s Preacher: The Life and Legacy of Billy Graham
  By Religion News Service
• Award of Excellence
  Baptist Standard
  Child sexual abuse and the church
  By Scott Floyd

035. THEME ISSUE, SECTION, OR SERIES: Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
  Reflections Journal/Yale Divinity School
  Fall 2018 issue: Sex, Gender, Power: A Reckoning
  By Greg Sterling, dean/publisher; Ray Waddle, editor

• Honorable Mention
  Living City Magazine
  Living City November: Abuse Crisis
  By Susanne Janssen and Chiara Catipon

• Honorable Mention
  Reformed Worship
  Reformed Worship 128: Theme Issue on Mental Illnesses and Worship
  By The Rev. Joyce Borger, Editor

• Award of Merit
  Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
  July 2018 Issue: Chaplaincy
  By Various Writers

• Award of Excellence
  Presbyterian Outlook
  Who is my neighbor?
  By Presbyterian Outlook staff

036. THEME ISSUE, SECTION, OR SERIES: Blog or Social Media

• Award of Excellence
  Presbyterian Outlook
  The sisterhood of the traveling robe
  By Jana Blazek, The Presbyterian Outlook staff and bloggers

037. INTERVIEW

• Honorable Mention
  NAD NewsPoints
  Samantha's Story
  By Kimberly Luste Maran
• Honorable Mention
Global Sisters Report (NCR)
Interview with Sr. Rose Pacatte
By Chris Herlinger

• Award of Merit
The Christian Century
How to talk to climate skeptics
By Amy Frykholm

• Award of Excellence
The Covenant Companion
Torn from Home
By Companion Staff

038. BIOGRAPHICAL PROFILE

• Honorable Mention
The Christian Chronicle
Profile of Olan Hicks, founder of The Christian Chronicle
By Erik Tryggestad

• Honorable Mention
The United Church Observer
A Good Death
By Pieta Woolley

• Award of Merit
Sojourners
#WomenCrushWednesday: Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Activist and Namesake to a Movement
By Layton E. Williams

• Award of Excellence
Religion News Service
#ChurchToo supporter Karen Swallow Prior builds bridges between the extremes
By Adelle M. Banks

039. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE (Short Format): Newspaper/Newsletter

• Honorable Mention
Breaking Barriers/RCA-CRC Disability Concerns ministries
A Group Without All the Answers
By Kyle Crist

• Award of Merit
The Christian Recorder
A Season of Reconciliation and Remembrance
By Rev. Sidney Williams, Jr.

• Award of Excellence
The Alabama Baptist
Don't give up on God
By Bob Terry

040. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE (Short Format): Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
The Covenant Companion
Diagnosis Cancer
By Kelly Johnston

• Honorable Mention
Adventist Review Ministries
Lean In a Little Closer
By Barbara Couden Hernandez

• Award of Merit
Gather Magazine
Changed Hearts
By Judith Roberts, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

• Award of Excellence
The United Church Observer
Power in the Blood
By Anne Bokma

041. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE (Short Format): News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
Faith & Leadership
How should the church celebrate the passage into adulthood?
By Gretchen E. Ziegenhals

• Award of Merit
Sojourners
Between Me and My Motherland
By Dhanya Addanki

• Award of Excellence
Faith & Leadership
How I embraced my authority as an African-American woman in ministry
By Natasha Jamison Gadson
042. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE (Long format): Newspaper/Newsletter/News Service/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
  Forum Letter
  Marked with the cross of Christ forever
  By Eileen Smith

• Award of Merit
  prayer&politiks
  He desired a better country: A remembrance of David McReynolds
  By Ken Sehested

• Award of Excellence
  Presbyterian Outlook
  My mom and me: Theological comfort and the suicide crisis
  By Chip Hardwick and The Presbyterian Outlook staff

043. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE (Long format): Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
  The Covenant Companion
  Addiction and the Church
  By Dana Bowman

• Award of Merit
  The Christian Century
  Stitched-together community
  By Amy Frykholm

• Award of Excellence
  The United Church Observer
  In the Beginning
  By Alanna Mitchell

044. COLUMN: Newspaper/News Service/Newsletter/Website/Blog

• Honorable Mention
  The Christian Chronicle
  Three columns by Erik Tryggestad
  By Erik Tryggestad

• Award of Merit
  The Christian Recorder
  ubthecure
By Ulysses Burley III, MD

• Award of Excellence
Mennonite World Review
Gathering the stones
By Hillary Watson

045. COLUMN: Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
Adventist Review Ministries
Searching the Obvious
By Dixil Rodriguez

• Award of Merit
Presbyterians Today
A Native American’s Thanksgiving Perspective
By Danelle Crawford McKinney

• Award of Excellence
The Covenant Companion
Jelani Greenidge
By Jelani Greenidge

046. DEPARTMENT: Print Publications

• Honorable Mention
Canadian Adventist Messenger
Mamawi Atosketan Native School
By Andrew McChesney and Lynn McDowell

• Honorable Mention
Breaking Barriers/RCA-CRC Disability Concerns ministries
Editor's note
By Terry A. DeYoung and Mark Stephenson, co-editors

• Award of Merit
The Covenant Companion
Arts & Culture
By Companion Staff

• Award of Excellence
Sojourners
CultureWatch
By Julie Polter
047. DEPARTMENT: Online Publications

• Honorable Mention
Baptist Standard
Baptists Preaching
By Rev. Mary Whitehurst, Rev. Dr. Elmo Johnson, Matt Snowden, Eric Black

• Award of Merit
Sotomayor Media Creations LLC
Breaking Bread
By John Sotomayor

• Award of Excellence
Baptist Standard
Texas Baptist Voices
By Meredith Stone, Zac Harrel and Jake Raabe

048. CRITICAL REVIEW

• Honorable Mention
The United Church Observer
Beyond Cliches
By Chelsea Temple Jones

• Honorable Mention
The Christian Century
Names of the lynched
By Pete Candler

• Award of Merit
The Cresset
Two Old Friends Hanging Together Again: The Rediscovery of Takuichi Fujii's Art
By John Ruff

• Award of Excellence
The Cresset
Our Sentimental Poet? Mary Oliver in an Age of Excess
By Debra Dean Murphy

049. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

• Honorable Mention
Mennonite World Review
Letters & Comments
By Paul Schrag, editor
• Award of Merit
The United Church Observer
Letters
By Patricia Clarke, editor

• Award of Excellence
The Covenant Companion
Readers Write
By Companion Staff

050. POETRY

• Honorable Mention
The Christian Century
Determinism on a summer morning in the Midwest
By Jeff Gundy

• Award of Merit
The Cresset
Let Go and Let God
By Tania Runyan

• Award of Excellence
Sojourners
An Outline for a Service Acknowledging War Crimes
By Rose Marie Berger

051. SERVICE JOURNALISM

• Honorable Mention
Adventist Review Ministries
Anxiety Hacks
By Jennifer Jill Schwirzer

• Honorable Mention
US Catholic
Go on a journey
By Christine Valters Paintner

• Award of Merit
The Journal of Adventist Education
The Tragedy of Child and Adolescent Suicide
By Brad Hinman

• Award of Excellence
Alliance Life
Why Am I So Angry?
By Wanda Walborn

052. PROFESSIONAL RESOURCE

• Honorable Mention
  Forum Letter
  Suffer the little children
  By Johanna K. Rehbaum

• Award of Merit
  The United Church Observer
  Pregnant in the Pulpit
  By Trisha Elliott

• Award of Excellence
  The Cresset
  The Unknowable More: Contemplation, Creativity, and Education
  By Stephanie Paulsell

053. HUMOR, WRITTEN

• Honorable Mention
  Sojourners
  I Could Stick My Head in the Sand
  By Ed Spivey Jr.

• Award of Merit
  The Covenant Companion
  The Alpaca in the Manger
  By Dana Bowman

• Award of Excellence
  Gather Magazine
  Pray for the spiders
  By Susan Sparks, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

054. THEOLOGICAL OR SCHOLARLY ARTICLE

• Honorable Mention
  The Cresset
  Can Two Walk Together Unless They Be Agreed?: Traditions, Vocations, and Christian Universities in the Twenty-First Century
  By Caroline J. Simon
• Award of Merit
  The Cresset
  Joyce Carol Oates and the Springs of Belief
  By David Heddendorf

• Award of Excellence
  The Cresset
  The Unknowable More: Contemplation, Creativity, and Education
  By Stephanie Paulsell

055. BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION

• Honorable Mention
  The Christian Century
  Blessed Jael
  By Sarah Jobe

• Award of Merit
  The Cresset
  Deuteronomy 22: A Tale of Two Cities
  By Ashleigh Elser

• Award of Excellence
  Baptist Peacemaker
  Naboth’s Vineyard & Flint, Michigan
  By Deborah DeMars Conrad

056. THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION: Short format (1,200 words or less)

• Honorable Mention
  The Christian Recorder
  On the Revolutionary Hope of Alice Thurman
  By Joi Orr

• Award of Merit
  The Christian Century
  Guns and baptism
  By Kyle Childress

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Century
  Holy Gaze
  By Isaac Villegas

057. THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION: Long format (more than 1,200 words)
• Honorable Mention
Sojourners
Stepping Off the Merry-Go-Round
By J. Dana Trent

• Award of Merit
The Living Church
Silence, Sound, and the Power of God
By The Rev. Ephraim Radner

• Award of Excellence
Reflections/Yale Divinity School
#MeToo Confronts the Patriarchy
By Marie Fortune

058. DEVOTIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL: Short format (1,200 words or fewer)

• Honorable Mention
Café (Boldcafe.org)
Sacred Spaces that require no words
By Ralen M. Robinson

• Honorable Mention
Hunger News & Hope
The Real Sermon
By Robert Darden

• Award of Merit
prayer&politiks
Getting soaked: A meditation on the recovery of baptismal integrity
By Ken Sehested

• Award of Excellence
Adventist Review Ministries
When Failure Is (Not) an Option
By Martin Klingbeil

059. DEVOTIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL: Long format (more than 1,200 words)

• Honorable Mention
The Banner
Prayers of the Infertile: Longing, Hope, and Solidarity
By Cory Wilson

• Award of Merit
The United Church Observer
Last Words
By Various authors

- Award of Excellence
  Canadian Adventist Messenger
  My Starbucks Squad: A Love Story
  By Josue Sanchez

060. BIBLE RESOURCE

- Honorable Mention
  Gather Magazine
  Turn, turn, turn: A time for faithful repentance
  By Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

- Award of Merit
  The Banner
  Why Read the Bible?
  By Benjamin Lappenga

- Award of Excellence
  The Christian Century
  The Bible's #MeToo stories
  By Ruth Everhart

061. SEASONAL ARTICLE

- Honorable Mention
  Gather Magazine
  Alleluia! Hallelujah!
  By Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

- Award of Merit
  The Mennonite
  Advent Manifesto
  By John Paul Lederach

- Award of Excellence
  The United Church Observer
  The Complex History of the Huron Carol
  By Will Pearson

063. BOOKS: NONFICTION

- Honorable Mention
  The Cathedral Foundation
Go, and Do the Same
By Rodrigue Mortel, M.D.

• Award of Merit
  American Lutheran Publicity Bureau
  Changing World, Changeless Christ: The American Lutheran Publicity Bureau, 1914-2014
  By Richard Johnson

064. BOOKS: DEVOTIONAL

• Award of Merit
  Gather Magazine
  Advent words: A devotional coloring book
  By Elizabeth Hunter, Sarah Carson, Hannah Hawkinson, authors and editors

066. BEST DISAPPROVING LETTER TO THE EDITOR

• Honorable Mention
  Word&Way
  “Please cancel my subscription and I will recommend to my fellow God-fearing brothers in Christ to cancel theirs!”

• Award of Merit
  Canadian Adventist Messenger
  “It's a sad state of affairs...”

• Award of Excellence
  The Covenant Companion
  “Your new version and new design are in my opinion very unattractive. It is dark and uninviting.”

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ART, DESIGN, VISUAL and AUDIO

067. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: MAGAZINE COVER

• Honorable Mention
  Gather Magazine
  Gather cover - June issue
  By Ceres Lau, artist; 2Communique, designers; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

• Award of Merit
  US Catholic
  May 2018 and September 2018
By US Catholic editors

• Award of Excellence
  Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
  December 2018 cover
  By 316 Creative

068. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: NEWSPAPER FRONT PAGE

• Award of Excellence
  Mennonite World Review
  Mennonite World Review, April 23
  By Paul Schrag, editor

069. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: MAGAZINE/JOURNAL DESIGN, SPREAD OR STORY

• Honorable Mention
  Sotomayor Media Creations LLC
  Spiritual Journey of a Different Kind
  By Joe Deleon and John Sotomayor

• Award of Merit
  The Covenant Companion
  Who Do You Say That I Am?
  By Companion Staff

• Award of Excellence
  VISION Vocation Guide
  Divine design: The holiness of place
  By Alice Camille, Anne Marie O'Kelley, Carol Schuck Scheiber, and Jennifer Tomshack

070. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: MAGAZINE/JOURNAL DESIGN, ENTIRE ISSUE

• Honorable Mention
  Reformed Worship
  Reformed Worship 128
  By Dean Heetderks, Art Director; Frank Gutbrod, Graphic designer

• Award of Merit
  Word&Way
  March 2018: Faith And Sports
  By Brian Kaylor, Editor; Holly Hyde, Designer

• Award of Excellence
  Sotomayor Media Creations LLC
  Elevate Magazine: January 2018
By Joe Deleon and John Sotomayor

071. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: NEWSPAPER/NEWSLETTER DESIGN, SPREAD OR STORY

• Honorable Mention
  The Christian Chronicle
  The Christian Chronicle's 75th anniversary
  By Erik Tryggestad

• Award of Excellence
  The Journal of Adventist Education
  The Tragedy of Child and Adolescent Suicide
  By Harry F. Knox

072. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: NEWSPAPER/NEWSLETTER DESIGN, ENTIRE ISSUE

• Award of Excellence
  The Alabama Baptist
  The Alabama Baptist: December 13, 2018
  By The Alabama Baptist staff

073. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: ILLUSTRATION, WITH ARTICLE OR CUTLINE

• Honorable Mention
  The United Church Observer
  Bloody Expensive
  By Jeannie Phan

• Award of Merit
  Gather Magazine
  Most merciful God
  By 2Communique, designers; Elizabeth Hunter and Sarah Carson, editors

• Award of Excellence
  Sojourners
  Seeing the World As It Should Be
  By Jon Krause

074. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: PRINT PUBLICATION REDESIGN

• Award of Merit
  The Banner
  The Banner
  By Dean R. Heetderks, Art Director
• Award of Excellence
Adventist Review Ministries
Adventist World
By Types & Symbols

075. ONLINE MEDIA: PUBLICATION WEBSITE

• Honorable Mention
The Alabama Baptist
The Alabama Baptist
By The Alabama Baptist staff

• Award of Merit
Concordia Journal
Concordia Theology
By Charles Arand, executive editor; Travis Scholl and Erik Herrmann, editors; Melanie Appelbaum, assistant editor; Ken Kogler, technology; Dale Ward, video production

• Award of Excellence
The United Church Observer
https://ucobserver.org/
By The United Church Observer staff

076. ONLINE MEDIA: WEB SITE REDESIGN

• Award of Merit
PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly
223rd General Assembly of the PC(USA)
By Angie Stevens

• Award of Excellence
The Banner, Christian Reformed Church in NA
The Banner
By Dean R. Heetderks

077. ART/DESIGN/GRAPHICS: FREE-STANDING HUMOR ILLUSTRATION

• Award of Excellence
The Mennonite
Loaves and Fishsticks
By Steve Edwards

078. PHOTOGRAPHY: SINGLE PHOTO WITH ARTICLE OR CUTLINE: Newspaper/News Service/Newsletter
• Honorable Mention
PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly Communications
Closing Cuban Churches
By Randy Hobson

• Award of Merit
NAD NewsPoints
Samantha's Story
By Dan Weber

• Award of Excellence
ACT Alliance
Joseph P. S. plays the violin in the ruins of his home
By Gregg Brekke

079. PHOTOGRAPHY: SINGLE PHOTO WITH ARTICLE OR CUTLINE: Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
Adventist Review Ministries
Telling the Truth
By Bryan Gray, Types & Symbols

• Award of Merit
Adventist Review Ministries
Confessions of a (Still) Single Pastor
By Bryan Gray, Types & Symbols

• Award of Excellence
The Catholic Review
Barbra Swann
By Kevin J. Parks

080. PHOTOGRAPHY: SINGLE PHOTO WITH ARTICLE OR CUTLINE: Blog/Social Media/Website

• Award of Excellence
Presbyterian Mission Agency Peacemaking Program
Buddhist monks chant outside former North Korean Labor Party headquarters near the DMZ in South Korea
By Gregg Brekke

081. PHOTOGRAPHY: PHOTO SPREAD: Newspaper/News Service/Newsletter

• Honorable Mention
Religion News Service
2019 National Day of Prayer, Capitol Ceremony
By Adelle M. Banks

• Award of Merit
  Religion News Service
  A.C.T. to End Racism Rally
  By Adelle M. Banks

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Chronicle
  Everyday Saints
  By Chris Reynolds, Jennifer Gerhardt

082. PHOTOGRAPHY: PHOTO SPREAD: Magazine/Journal

• Honorable Mention
  Gather Magazine
  Finding the rhythm of love
  By 2Communique, designers; Elizabeth Hunter, editor; Sarah Carson, associate editor

• Honorable Mention
  The United Church Observer
  Angels on Call
  By Tallulah

• Award of Excellence
  Sotomayor Media Creations LLC
  In His Corner
  By Conan Segrest

083. PHOTOGRAPHY: PHOTO SPREAD: Blog/Social Media/Website

• Honorable Mention
  The United Church Observer
  For me, the landmark United Church vote on sexual orientation came at a high personal cost
  By Bayne Stanley, photographer

084. VIDEO: NEWS STORY, CURRENT EVENT

• Honorable Mention
  PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly
  Angry Tías and Abuelas
  By Randy Hobson

• Honorable Mention
  The Catholic Review
  Calvert Hall High School Marching Band
By Kevin J. Parks

• Award of Merit
  Presbyterian News Service
  PDA on continuing Baton Rouge cleanup
  By Gregg Brekke

• Award of Excellence
  Sojourners
  We Asked One Question At The March For Our Lives. Here’s How Kids Answered
  By JP Keenan

085: VIDEO: DOCUMENTARY SHORT (Less than 30 minutes)

• Award of Merit
  Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
  Beyond the Steeple: Common Ground in Reading, Pa.
  By Will Nunnally

• Award of Excellence
  Sojourners
  The Inn Without Borders / La Posada Sin Fronteras
  By JP Keenan, Anna Sutterer

086. VIDEO: DOCUMENTARY FEATURE (Longer than 30 minutes)

• Award of Excellence
  UCObserver.org
  Playing by Heart
  By Observer staff

088. VIDEO: EDITORIAL

• Honorable Mention
  Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
  All Christians are Missionaries
  By Will Nunnally

• Honorable Mention
  In Trust
  The gift of black theological education
  By Matt Urban, Director/Editor, and Jay Blossom, Publisher

• Award of Merit
  Sojourners
  Faith Leaders Have a Message for Survivors
By JP Keenan, Jenna Barnett

- Award of Excellence
  Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
  For This Church and For Our Future
  By Will Nunnally

089: VIDEO: VIDEO SERIES (Vlog, video podcast, etc.)

- Honorable Mention
  Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
  For This Church and For Our Future
  By Will Nunnally

- Award of Merit
  Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
  Word & Work: An Intersection podcast
  By Dale A. Meyer, Director/President; Vicki Biggs, Senior Vice President, Seminary Advancement; Melanie Ave, Communications Manager; Dale Ward, Senior Media Producer; Jayna Rollings, Art Director; John Clifton, Motion Designer; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer

- Award of Excellence
  Episcopal Diocese of Rochester
  Leadership
  By Stephen Richards

090. AUDIO: NEWS STORY, CURRENT EVENT

- Award of Excellence
  Word&Way
  Johnson Amendment
  By Brian Kaylor

091. PODCAST/AUDIO SERIES

- Honorable Mention
  Adventist Review Ministries
  Digging Deeper
  By Adventist Review Ministries Staff

- Award of Merit
  Faith & Leadership
  Can These Bones: A Faith & Leadership Podcast
  By Co-hosts: Rev. Laura Everett and Rev. William H. “Bill” Lamar IV; Faith & Leadership team: Dave Odom, Kelly Ryan, Sally Hicks, Jessamyn Rubio and Bob Wells; Susan Davis,
freelance producer

• Award of Excellence
  Square Core Media
  Homebrewed CultureCast
  By Christian Piatt

092. INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS

• Honorable Mention
  The Catholic Review
  Accountability
  By The Catholic Review Staff

• Award of Merit
  Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
  Here am I! Send me.” 2018-19 academic year theme
  By Jayna Rollings, Creative Services Manager; Melanie Ave, Communications Manager;
  Michelle Poneleit, Graphic Designer; John Clifton, Motion Designer; Courtney Koll,
  Photographer; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer

• Award of Excellence
  Religion News Service
  MLK50
  By Religion News Service

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MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

093. ANNUAL REPORT/PRINT OR ELECTRONIC

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Reformed Church in NA
  2018 Annual Ministry Report
  By Pete Euwema, Graphic Designer

095. ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

• Honorable Mention
  Word&Way
  Between the Lines
By Ken Satterfield

• Award of Merit
Cafe (Boldcafe.org)
June 2018: Self-care; September 2018: The first day; October 2018: Regret
By Elizabeth McBride

• Award of Excellence
The Banner, Christian Reformed Church in NA
The Banner Update
By Shiao Chong, Editor

096. FUNDRAISING AND SUBSCRIPTIONS: Direct mail fundraising campaign

• Award of Merit
The United Church Observer
190 Years and Going Strong
By Sharon Doran

• Award of Excellence
The Banner, Christian Reformed Church in NA
April 2018 Fundraising Appeal
By Shiao Chong, Editor

097. FUNDRAISING AND SUBSCRIPTIONS: Renewal or subscription acquisition campaign

• Honorable Mention
The United Church Observer
Observer Rep Contest
By Ross Woolford

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SOCIAL MEDIA

098. SINGLE POSTING

• Honorable Mention
UCObserver.org
Dear Readers
By Jocelyn Bell

• Award of Merit
The Alabama Baptist
Burns family update
By The Alabama Baptist staff

• Award of Excellence
  Baptist Standard
  A female seminary professor’s response to John Piper
  By Julie Sorrels, Meredith Stone

099. AWARENESS / ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN

• Honorable Mention
  PC(U.S.A.) Office of the General Assembly Communications
  Spirit of GA
  By Randy Hobson, Angie Stevens

100. EVENT PROMOTION / MARKETING CAMPAIGN / BRAND AWARENESS

• Honorable Mention
  PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly
  Mid Council Leaders Gathering
  By Angie Stevens

• Award of Merit
  Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
  Theological Symposium 2018
  By Melanie Ave, Communications Manager; Jayna Rollings, Creative Services Manager;
  Courtney Koll, Graphic Designer; John Clifton, Video Producer; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer

• Award of Excellence

  Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
  Library Grand Opening 2018
  By Vicki Biggs, Senior Vice President, Seminary Advancement; Melanie Ave, Communications Manager;
  Jayna Rollings, Creative Services Manager; Courtney Koll, Graphic Designer and Photographer;
  Michelle Poneleit, Graphic Designer; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer

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OVERALL EXCELLENCE / BEST IN CLASS

015. SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

• Honorable Mention
  The Catholic Review
  By George Matysek Jr.
• Award of Merit
  Baptist Standard
  By Julie Sorrels

• Award of Excellence
  The Christian Chronicle
  By Chellie Ison

014. VIDEO PRODUCTION

• Award of Excellence
  PC(U.S.A.) Office of the General Assembly
  By Randy Hobson

013. PUBLIC RELATIONS OR MARKETING CAMPAIGN

• Award of Excellence
  Concordia Seminary:
  Library Grand Opening 2018
  By Vicki Biggs, Senior Vice President, Seminary Advancement; Melanie Ave, Communications Manager; Jayna Rollings, Creative Services Manager; Courtney Koll, Graphic Designer/Photographer; Michelle Poneleit, Graphic Designer; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer

012. DIGITAL EDITION/MOBILE PUBLICATION

• Award of Merit
  Elevate Magazine
  By John Sotomayor, Joe Deleon, Conan Segrest, Alex Sotomayor

• Award of Excellence
  Elevar Magazine
  By John Sotomayor, Joe Deleon, Conan Segrest, Alex Sotomayor

011. BLOG

• Honorable Mention
  The Presbyterian Outlook
  By Jana Blazek, The Presbyterian Outlook staff and bloggers

• Award of Merit
  The Network: Disability Concerns
  By Mark Stephenson, Jenna Hoff, Miriam Spies

• Award of Excellence
  The Banner, Christian Reformed Church in NA
010. INDEPENDENT WEBSITE

• Honorable Mention
Cafe (Boldcafe.org) / Women of the ELCA
By Rozella Haydee White

• Award of Merit
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
By Jayna Rollings, Creative Director; Vicki Biggs, Editor; Melanie Ave, Editor; Lewis Mendez, Web Developer; Chris Miller, Web Developer

• Award of Excellence
Faith & Leadership
By Kelly Ryan, senior communications director and executive editor; Sally Hicks, editor; Bob Wells, associate editor; Jessamyn Rubio, interactive media manager

009. NEWS SERVICE

• Award of Merit
NAD NewsPoints
By Kimberly Luste Maran, Georgia Standish

• Award of Excellence
Religion News Service
By Religion News Service

008. NEWSLETTER

• Honorable Mention
Forum Letter
By Richard O. Johnson, editor

• Award of Merit
Hunger News & Hope
By Katie Cook, editor

• Award of Excellence
Breaking Barriers, RCA-CRC Disability Concerns ministry
By Terry A. DeYoung and Mark Stephenson, co-editors

007. JOURNAL

• Honorable Mention
Valparaiso University
The Cresset
By Heather Grennan Gary, Marci Rae Johnson, Gregg Hertzlieb, Ian Roseen, Gabbi Wilcox, Claire Van Wagoner, Grace Biermann

• Award of Merit
Concordia Journal
By Dale Meyer, publisher; Charles Arand, executive editor; Travis Scholl, editor; Melanie Appelbaum, assistant editor; Jayna Rollings and XiaoPei Chen, graphic designers

• Award of Excellence
Reflections Journal / Yale Divinity School
By Gregory Sterling, dean/publisher; Ray Waddle, editor

005. SEMINARY PUBLICATION

• Award of Excellence
Concordia Seminary Magazine
By Vicki Biggs, Executive Editor; Melanie Ave, Managing Editor; Jayna Rollings, Art Director; Michelle Poneleit, Graphic Designer; Courtney Koll, Graphic Designer

002. NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER

• Honorable Mention
The Christian Recorder
By AME Church Publishing House

• Award of Merit
The Christian Chronicle
By Lynn McMillon, Erik Tryggestad, Bobby Ross Jr., Chellie Ison, Tonya Patton, Lynda Sheehan, Joy McMillon, Melinda Wilson, Elise Miller

• Award of Excellence
Mennonite World Review
By Paul Schrag, editor; Tim Huber, associate editor

001. REGIONAL NEWSPAPER

• Award of Excellence
The Alabama Baptist
By The Alabama Baptist staff

004. DENOMINATIONAL OR OTHER SPECIAL INTEREST MAGAZINE (specific focus or target audience)
• Honorable Mention
The United Church Observer Magazine
By Jocelyn Bell, Editor

• Award of Merit
The Presbyterian Outlook
By Jill Duffield, Jana Blazek, Leslie Scanlon

• Award of Excellence
Adventist Review
By Adventist Review Editorial Staff

003. NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MAGAZINE (broad audience)

• Honorable Mention
Living City
By Living City staff

• Award of Merit
Sojourners
By Jim Rice, Ed Spivey Jr., Rose Marie Berger, Julie Polter, Betsy Shirley, Da'Shawn Mosley, Christina Colón, Faith-Marie Zamblé

• Award of Excellence
The Christian Century
By Christian Century staff