

The United Church **Observer**

The United Church Observer wins 27
awards in 2007 church press competitions

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*2007 Associated Church Press Awards
(U.S. and Canada)*

Award of Excellence

- Theological Reflection (Long), Trisha Elliott, “The trouble with forgiveness.”

Award of Merit

- Biographical Profile, Jocelyn Bell, “Generation Craig.”
- In-Depth Coverage, Sarah Boesveld, Mike Milne, Sabitri Ghosh, “The tale the numbers tell.”

Honorable Mention

- Editorial Courage, Trisha Elliott, “Sex and spirituality.”
- Feature Article (Long), Kevin Spurgaitis, “Life everlasting.”
- Photography, Darren Stone, “Kid-Friendly.”
- Biblical Interpretation, Trisha Elliott, “An inconvenient book.”
- Devotional/Inspirational (Long), Trisha Elliott, “The trouble with forgiveness.”
- Seasonal Article, David Giuliano, “The risings around us.”

- Design (Spread), Ross Woolford, “Weaned from the bottle.”
- Professional Resource, Kylie Taggart/Bob Mercer, “Amalgamation puzzle.”
- Interview, David Wilson, “Men feel excluded.”
- First Person, Allen Tysick, “We’re all panhandlers here.”

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First Place

- A.C. Forrest Memorial Award, Larry Krotz, “Death by Design.”
- Theological Reflection (Doctrinal) – Open, Trisha Elliott, “The Trouble with Forgiveness.”
- Theological Reflection (Doctrinal-Inspirational) – Open, Peter Short, “No more makeovers.”
- Personal Experience (First Person Account) – Open, Lee Simpson, “Aches, pangs and humility.”
- Magazine Front Cover – (1-2 or 3 Colour), Designer Ross Woolford, “Death by Design.”

Second Place

- September, October, November 2007 editions, Editor David Wilson
- In Depth Treatment of a News Event – Magazine, Sarah Boesveld; Mike Milne and Sabitri Ghosh, “The tales the numbers tell;” “Stalled in suburbia;” “What new Canadians think about us;” “Small town, big challenge;” “the lure of oil, the tug of home;” “Know thy numbers.”
- Biographical Profile (living or dead) – Magazine, Jocelyn Bell, “Generation Craig.”

Third Place

- Editorial – Magazine, David Wilson, Observations: “Concern for the environment is one thing we share with U.S. evangelicals.”
- News Story – Magazine, Mike Milne, “An Ethical Enigma called Afghanistan.”
- Interview – Open, David Wilson, “A lot of things leave men feeling excluded and silenced and not valued.”
- Colour Photo Spread – Magazine, Photographer Merle Robillard, “The African Effect.”

Honourable Mention

- Connie denBok and Bob Giuliano; Lee Simpson and Kevin Little; Ken Gallinger and Ruth McQuirter Scott, Everyday Ethics – June, November and December,
- Service Journalism – Open, Marcia Porter; Sarah Boesveld, “When Kids Say ‘No’ to Church: Common Complaints – and Clever Comebacks.”