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ORU Graduate Running for President

✘ She's in. And she says she's a bold choice.

She's Rep. Michele Bachmann, a Christian voice with a Lutheran background who has officially declared her candidacy for president of the United States. And she's off to a good start.

Bachmann, an Oral Roberts University graduate, is neck and neck with former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney in the *Des Moines Register* Iowa poll, garnering 22 percent of the vote.

Mizzou Football Team Helps Joplin Bounce Back

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On the Mizzou football field, he lives in the trenches.

But the redshirt freshman, who spent his elementary school years growing up in Joplin, Mo., could hardly imagine the physical labor that it would take to clean up and rebuild the city many of his family members still call home.

“It almost brought tears to my eyes as I was driving around, having to hold it back,” Hill said. “Road after road, just gone.”

Surprise Flash Mobs Highlight Happy (Traditional) Marriages

☒ Surprise flash mobs. That’s one strategy to demonstrate a commitment to traditional marriage—and that’s just what Worldwide Marriage Encounter couples from across North America are doing in the month of July.

“It is our hope that this flash mob activity is another way to place a positive emphasis on couples committed to marriage,”

explain Jose and Marilyn Garcia and Mitch Walters, the North American Ecclesial Team for WWME. “This reach out effort demonstrates

that marriages can last and be happy. It is the perfect time to

capitalize on a phenomena that is spreading across North America.”

Why We Should Still Honor

America

As the turbulent '60s concluded and a new decade began, Billy Graham appeared at a July 4 event in Washington, D.C., called "Honor America Day."

More than 400,000 people attended, while millions watched on television or heard it on the radio in 123 other countries.

Bob Hope, Dinah Shore, Jack Benny, Glen Campbell, The New Christy Minstrels and Teresa Graves were among those who performed that day.

According to liner notes on the album, Honor America Day was denounced by the extreme right and the extreme left, but was supported by ordinary Americans, "rich and poor, black and white, Republicans and Democrats, Christians and Jews."

Christians Threatened, Abused in Asia

Throughout South Asia, many of Jesus' followers—especially those who have recently committed their lives to Him—face persecution from their communities. Within the past year, the following Christians have experienced threats and abuse because they claim the name of Jesus.

Man's New Infectious Faith Provokes Village Unrest

Kantimoy once devoutly followed the religion traditional to his people group. He, his wife and their three children got up early every day to worship their deity. Kantimoy was even in charge of maintaining the property of the temple in his

village.

But the gods and goddesses he worshipped couldn't heal his three children. His 10-year-old son, Jugnu, suffered from seizures, his 8-year-old daughter had a hole in her heart and his youngest daughter experienced night terrors that disrupted his entire household, robbing them of sleep.

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