

Charisma Starts New Year With Focus on Forgiveness

"When the Vow (Almost) Breaks." "Forgiveness That Transcends." "The Devil in Pew No. 7." Those are just a few of the impactful headlines in the January 2011 issue of Charisma magazine.

The new year is all about starting with a clean slate, says Charisma Editor Marcus Yoars. Beyond the resolutions that are likely to fade by the end of the month, he says, New Year's represents a chance to start over again. That's why the January 2011 issue of Charisma focuses on the theme of forgiveness and its power in giving people a second chance.

"Our cover story highlights a remarkable couple who, through the power of forgiveness, overcame infidelity and an unexpected pregnancy to now counsel thousands of couples each year," Yoars says. "We also tell the incredible account of about a family who paid the highest price to forgive a man obsessed with making their lives a living nightmare. Those stories, along with some challenging teachings on forgiveness from respected pastors Brian Zahnd and R.T. Kendall and an entire section devoted to celebrating the 'Year of the Bible,' make this an issue readers will find useful beyond the pages."

Other articles in Charisma's January issue include "How Did We Get the Bible?" in which Bible scholar Craig S. Keener explains the history and canonization of the Word in laymen's terms. Meanwhile, freelance writer Ken Walker looks at ministries translating the Bible in record time for the world's most remote cultures in an article entitled, "When God Doesn't Speak Your Language." And Charisma marks the one-year anniversary of Haiti's devastating earthquake with a special report on how Christian organizations continue to offer hope and healing as the country rebuilds.

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