



Praying the Headlines

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful in what it can achieve." —James 5:16











The Lord is king forever and ever . . . You hear, O Lord, the desire of the afflicted. Psalm 10:16-17





O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through your Son. Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred that infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and through our struggle and confusion, work to accomplish your purposes on earth; so that, in your good time, every people and nation may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

- from the Book of Common Prayer





We pray for the world.



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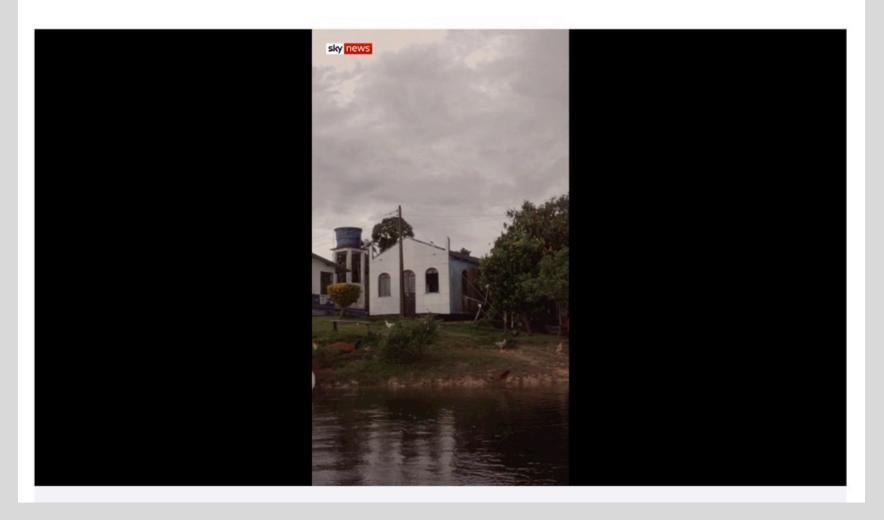


'They died in the exact same way': How the Floyd killing reignited fury around the world



Remote Amazon communities engulfed by COVID-19

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9-year-old Kenyan wins presidential award for building wooden handwashing machine

By Aisha Salaudeen, CNN

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9-year-old receives award for building wooden hand-washing machine 01:28

(CNN) — A 9-year-old Kenyan boy who made a wooden hand washing machine to limit the spread of Covid-19 received a presidential award on Monday.

More from CNN



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We pray for the Church.





Nigerian pastor and Calvin Seminary grad gunned down with his wife on their farm

BY SAMUEL SMITH

A Nigerian Christian pastor who graduated from Calvin Theological Seminary in Michigan was gunned down along with his wife Monday while working on their farm in the Taraba State of Nigeria. The couples leave behind eight children ages 1 to 19.





Christian Abraham / Hearst Connecticut Media

Members of the Milford Clergy Association lie in the prone position on the ground for more than eight minutes Thursday during a prayer vigil on Milford Green. The time on the ground commemorated the length of time police held George Floyd down before his death in Minneapolis. About 50 people gathered with the clergy to pray for the country in light of deepening racial tensions.

'Our prayer for the nation'

Milford clergy lie silently to commemorate George Floyd's last minutes





We pray for the helpers.





Flagstaff Police Chief Kevin Treadway, center, takes a knee Thursday afternoon with a protestor during a Black Lives Matter gathering at Flagstaff City Call.

A 'part of the healing'



Officials look to expand mental health response

By Sawyer D'Argonne sdargonne@summitdaily.com

KEYSTONE — The Summit County Sheriff's Office is looking to expand its mental health response team to help address growing calls for assistance in the months since its adoption in the area.

The SMART team otherwise known as a Systemwide Mental Assessment Response Team — began operating in January with a single group consisting of a deputy, behavioral health specialist and a case manager. The team responds to a number of mental health related cases — including suicide threats, welfare checks and more — to try to stabilize the person involved and de-escalate the situation.

The group has seen a steady increase in cases over the past few months.

"We did a soft launch in January and put together some training modules," Sheriff Jaime FitzSimons said. "We've been test driving within the Sheriff's Office primarily, just trying to work out all the bugs. And they have been overwhelmingly busy." In February, the team

responded to three "SMART calls," a broad term that serves as an

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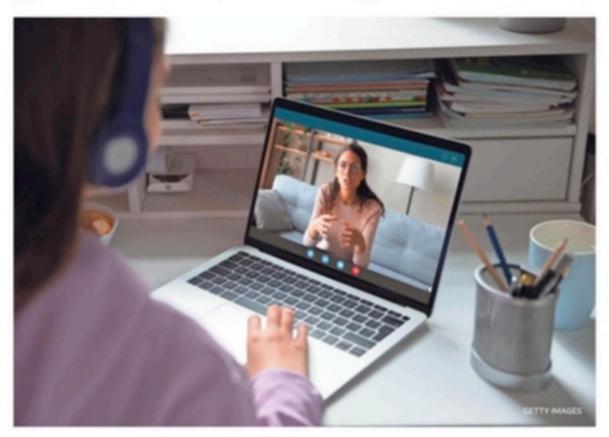


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Summit County's SMART team, from left: Lt. Daric Gutzwiller, clinician Andrew Brottman, case manager Yirka Platt and technician Ashley Thomas.



Teachers help kids process the protests



Delaware educators teach students about the death and aftermath that's shaken the country





We pray for our community.



In one of state's whitest cities, calls for racial justice



Hundreds kneel Thursday on the athletic fields in front of Crestline Elementary School in Mountain Brook. Connor Sheets, csheets@al.com





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Cathy Hall, marketing and communications director, looks at blueprints for the renovations going on around her Thursday in the main campus of the Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Joseph County in South Bend.

SUMMER CAMP WITH CARE

Programs reworked in pandemic



Protests now infused with peaceful passion



Santiago Meja / The Chronicle

Sisters Michelle (left) and Ashley Monterrosa hold a portrait of their brother Sean, 22, who was fatally shot by Vallejo police.





We now invite you to offer your personal prayer requests to the Lord.





Lord, you listen to the desires of those who suffer. You steady their hearts; you listen closely to them, to establish justice for the orphan and the oppressed, so that people of the land will never again be terrified. Psalm 10:17-18



Go in peace.





"Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good, because his faithful love endures forever."

—*Psalm* 107:1



