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Pope Francis made an historic speech during a week-long trip to Canada in late July, apologizing for the Catholic Church's "damaging" involvement in running abusive residential schools for Indigenous children.

Gay woman wins battle against US bishops to become foster parent
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Ruby Baker was the first woman to become a foster parent to welcome children. But Baker still feels like she's "on trial."

Climate-concerned voters ready to bring faith to midterm polls
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Catholic hospitals struggle to aid collapsing Zimbabwe system
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Public hospitals in Zimbabwe have experienced significant labor shortages in recent months, with staff at many hospitals going on strike to protest pay cuts in a country where the rate of currency inflation has reached 100 percent.

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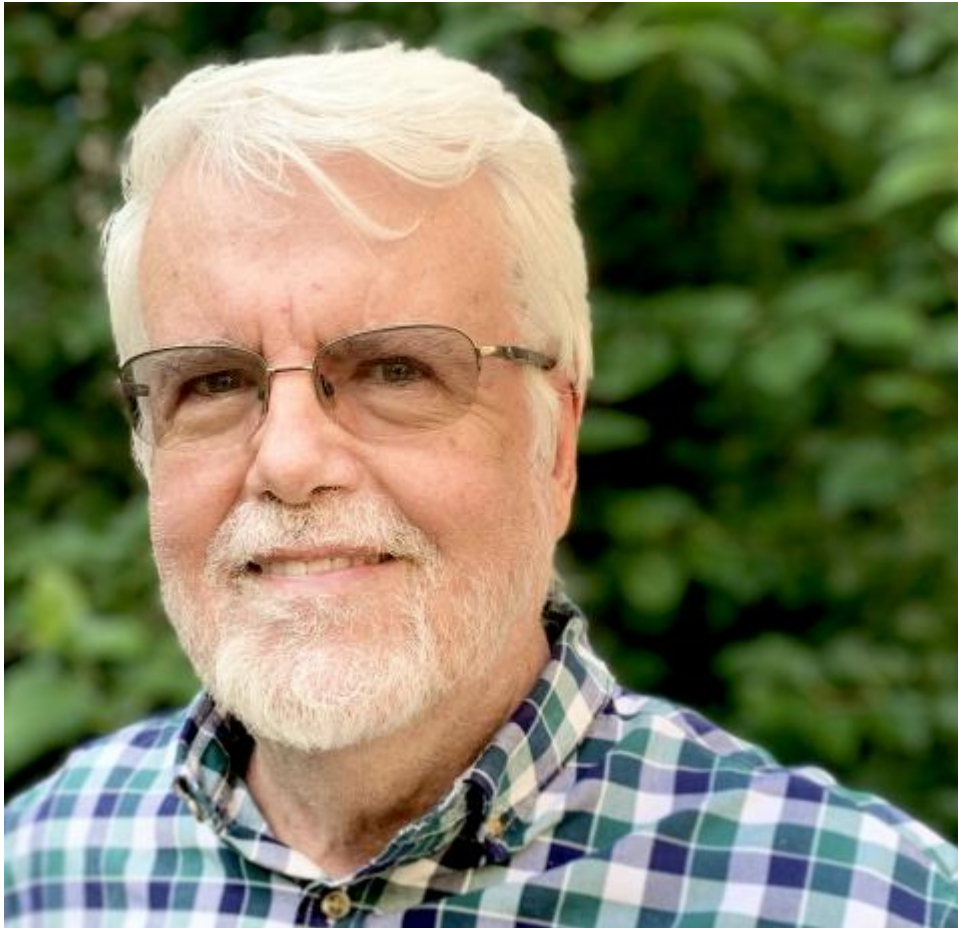
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