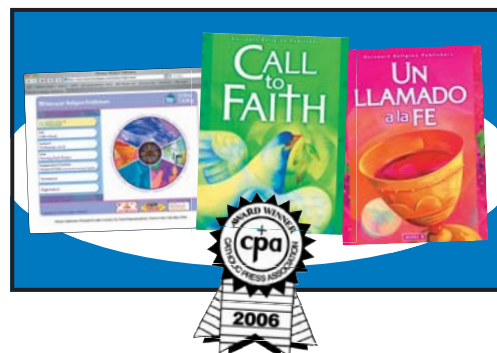


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## Harcourt Religion Publishers Receives Three Catholic Press Awards!

**Orlando, FL, June 11, 2006** – The Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada announced winners of the 2006 Catholic Press Awards on Friday, May 26, 2006, during the closing night of the Catholic Media Convocation at the Loews Vanderbilt Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. Orlando-based company, Harcourt Religion Publishers, was honored with multiple awards, receiving first place in three categories—Educational Books, Spanish Language Titles, and Best Web Site. “It is an honor for us to be recognized by the Catholic Press Association for this prestigious award—not just once, but three times,” commented Diane Lampitt, President of Harcourt Religion Publishers.

This year, for the first time ever, the CPA commissioned its judges through the American Press Institute. This prestigious national awards ceremony honors top-notch publishers annually. Awards focus on books, newspapers, magazines, and Spanish materials. All winners are featured in the June Awards issue of *The Catholic Journalist*.

Harcourt Religion Publishers was granted awards for:

- ***Call to Faith*** K-6 Religion Program, *Student Editions* (First Place, Educational Books) “*We simply love these student workbooks. . . The concept and presentation are superb, very informative; each contains a great deal of interesting information that invites you to discovery. . . Very practical and hands-on!*”
- ***Un llamado a la fe*** (First Place, Spanish Language Titles) “*This K-6 bilingual religious education program provides an alternative for the Catholic faith formation of Latino children in the U.S. . . activities and prayers help the children to understand and live their faith and offer useful ways for catechists to present the material . . . a good tool to use in the catechesis of the children’s families.*”
- **www.harcourtreligion.com** (First Place, Best Web Site) “*This site is both lively and practical. . . colorful and fun to look at, while at the same time packed with information and valuable resources . . . clear and easy to navigate. A first-class website that deserves recognition.*”

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Harcourt Religion Publishers has been making a buzz in Catholic publishing. They recently completed their 2006 conference season where they showcased innovative and comprehensive new programs and resources for lifelong faith formation including the all-new *Call to Faith* Religion Program for Grades 7 & 8; *Call to Celebrate* Sacrament Preparation programs for Baptism, Reconciliation, and Eucharist; *Un llamado a celebrar* Bilingual Sacrament Preparation programs; and more!

For additional information on Harcourt Religion Publishers, visit [www.harcourtreligion.com](http://www.harcourtreligion.com) or call Customer Service at 1-800-922-7696.

**ABOUT Harcourt Religion Publishers** Driven by a vision of lifelong catechesis, Harcourt Religion Publishers strives to involve all members of the parish faith community through resources that are age-appropriate, systematic, and intentional. Featuring programs and resources for Preschool, K-6, Junior High, Intergenerational, Sacrament Preparation, Bilingual, Vacation Bible School, High School, Adults, DREs and Pastoral Leaders, and more!

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