

# Profiles in Goodwill: Michael Leathers

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## **1. Where did you grow up?**

Fairview Heights, Illinois, near St. Louis, Missouri.

## **2. What is your favorite Bible verse, book or story? Why?**

Proverbs 18:17.

This verse reminds me to always look for all sides of a story when reporting, which has guided my career in journalism, including my time as an editor of a state Baptist newspaper.

## **3. What is your favorite movie? Why?**

“Life is Beautiful” (the subtitled version, not the dubbed one).

It is a reminder that even in the most difficult circumstances, God’s providence is still at work.

## **4. Who are three of the people you admire?**

Henrik Ibsen (playwright), Helen Keller and Pope Francis.

## **5. What is one little known fact about yourself?**

While a student at Belleville East High School, I was a member of the Mexican-

American folk-dancing troupe.