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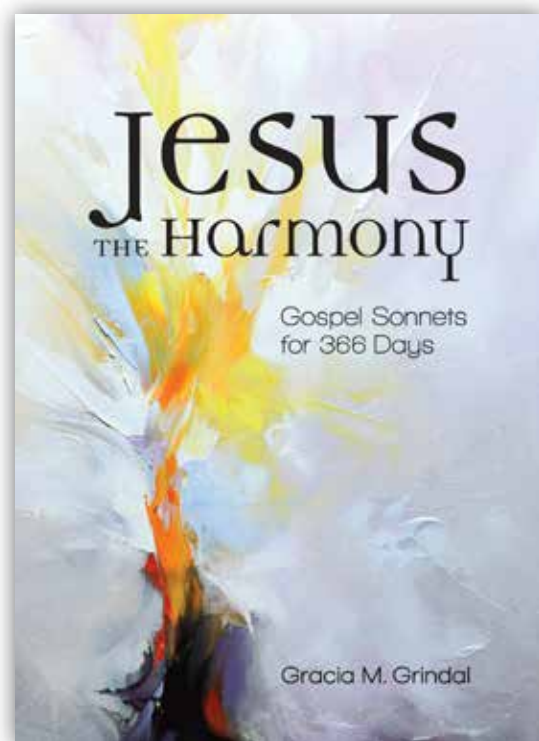
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Gracia Grindal, professor emerita at Luther Seminary, has recently completed *A Treasury of Faith*, a series of over 700 hymn texts on the lessons of the Revised Common Lectionary. In 2019, Alice Parker and Grindal published an English version of thirty of Heinrich Schütz's settings of the Becker psalter. Hallgrím Church in Reykjavik will publish her translation of Hallgrím Pétursson's *Fifty Passion Hymns*.

Jesus the Harmony

Gospel Sonnets for 366 Days

Gracia M. Grindal

Sonnets for reflection,
meditation, and study of the
life of Jesus

In this one-of-a-kind volume, author and poet Gracia Grindal has written 366 sonnets based on the life and ministry of Jesus to inspire meditation and reflection. Each poem entry is based on a specific biblical connection and relates to a holy day or season. The book's introduction provides historic background on Gospel harmonies, tells the story of how the author created the sonnets, and offers suggestions for using this unique devotional volume.

The author describes the project as a "holy obsession." Grindal uses a Harmony of the Gospels by Johannes Thorbjörnson Ylvisaker (1845-1917) to guide her selection of lessons to set in sonnet form. Traditional lists of texts have been used devotionally by the church over the centuries to tell the story of Jesus. (The reading of the Passion story on Palm/Passion Sunday, for example, is traditionally called a harmony.) Ultimately, the goal is to encourage creative reflection on these texts.

The author compares this distinctive collection to work of French painter James Tissot, who painted some 350 paintings depicting the story of Jesus. The poems are written accessibly but often have a twist or metaphor at the end, to cause readers to be moved or surprised and to make connections with the rest of life, the Bible, and the reader's own story.

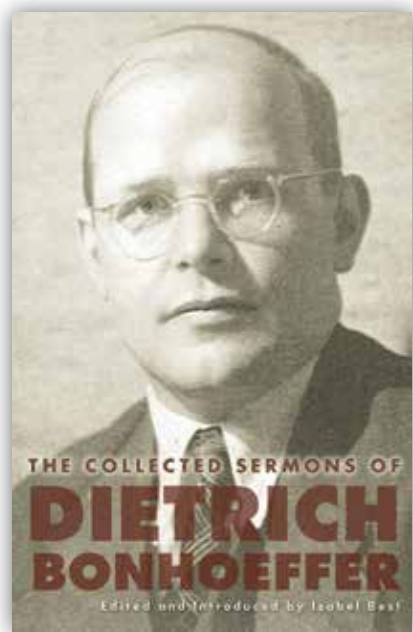
These poems may be used one per day as a devotional meditation, or as readings in sermons, teaching, or worship.

"Gracia Grindal's sonnets are like a string of pearls, or prayer beads, each unique in its simplicity and beauty, one leading to the other and opening up the width, length, and depth of the love and peace of Christ that transcends all understanding."

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The Collected Sermons of Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Isabel Best, ed.

In his preaching, Bonhoeffer's strong, personal faith shines in the darkness of Hitler's Third Reich and in the church struggle against it. Though not overtly political, Bonhoeffer's deep concern for the developments in his world is revealed in his sermons as he seeks to draw the listener into conversation with the promises and claims of the gospel—a conversation readers today are invited to join. Offered here are thirty-one of Pastor Bonhoeffer's sermons, in new English translations, which he preached at various times of the year and in a variety of settings.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a theologian, pastor, and Christian martyr. He was executed by the Nazis for his role in the German resistance movement.

Isabel Best has contributed translations to a number of volumes in the English language series of Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works published by Fortress Press. She was also the translator of Ferdinand Schlingensiepen's *Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1906–1945: Martyr, Thinker, Man of Resistance* (2010).

Connecting Like Jesus

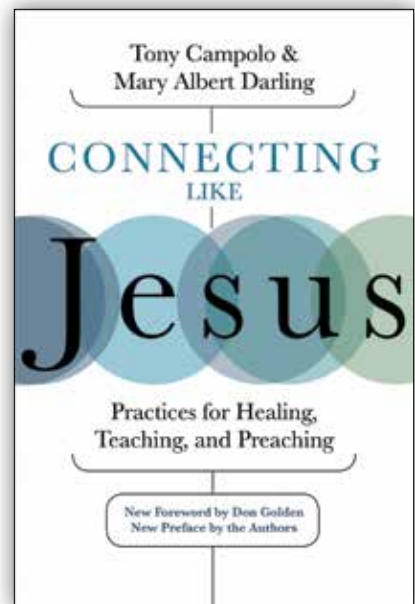
Practices for Healing, Teaching, and Preaching

Tony Campolo and Mary Albert Darling

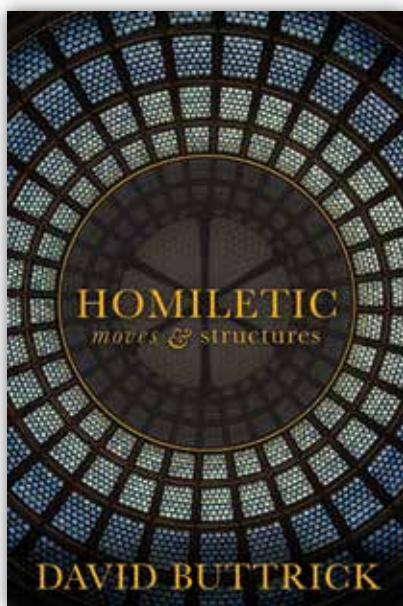
Tony Campolo and Mary Albert Darling have teamed up to explore the dynamic connection that occurs when spirituality/spiritual practices are combined with effective communication practices. This important, practical guide will reveal Campolo's preaching secrets and Darling's wise counsel as a professor of communication.

Tony Campolo is professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern University. For forty years, he led the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education, an organization that he founded to create and support programs serving needy communities. More recently, Campolo has provided leadership for Red Letter Christians as well as for the Campolo Center for Ministry. He has written more than thirty-five books.

Mary Albert Darling is a professor whose teachings in communication, spiritual formation, and justice have taken her outside the United States to Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mary is a spiritual director trained in Ignatian spirituality, a certified Enneagram teacher, and coauthor of *Connecting Like Jesus*.



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Moves and Structures

David Buttrick

In 1987, famed scholar and historian Martin Marty said of David Buttrick's *Homiletic*: "It's too good a book to limit to people who preach." Buttrick does indeed cover the waterfront in his encyclopedic volume on hermeneutics and preaching. But embedded within this structure are keen observations about the ways words communicate. He calls this "speaking in moves." Rather than discussing the preaching pattern as "points," which imply fixed truths, he talks about the *movement* of language. Sermons involve a sequence, or structure, but really sermons are a movement of language from one idea to another. The ideas in Buttrick's classic volume will reward those who open its pages for the first time.

David Buttrick was the Drucilla Buffington Professor of Homiletics and Liturgics Emeritus at Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, Tennessee.

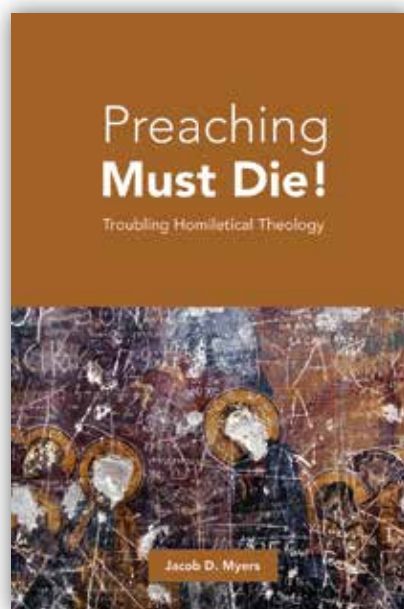
Preaching Must Die!

Troubling Homiletical Theology

Jacob D. Myers

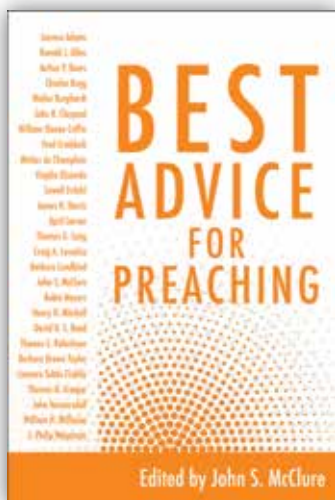
The real question for homiletics in our increasingly postmodern, post-Christian contexts is not "How are we going to prevent preaching from dying?" but "How are we going to help it die a good death?" Preaching was not made to live. At most, preaching is a witness, a sign, a crimson X marking a demolition site. The church has developed sophisticated technologies in modernity to give preaching the semblance of life, belying the truth: preaching was born under a death sentence. It was born to die. Only when preaching embraces its own death is it able to truly live.

Jacob D. Myers teaches preaching, biblical and theological interpretation, and postmodern culture at Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia. He holds a PhD from Emory University and is an ordained Baptist minister. He is the author of *Making Love with Scripture* (Fortress Press, 2015).



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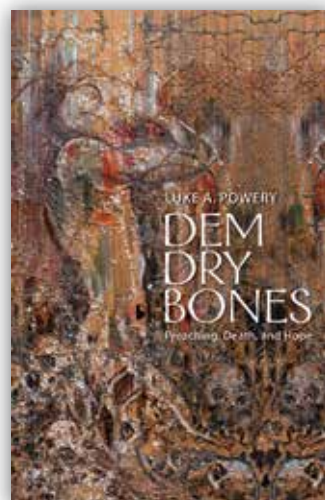
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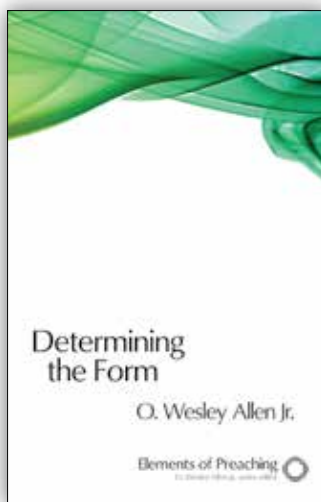
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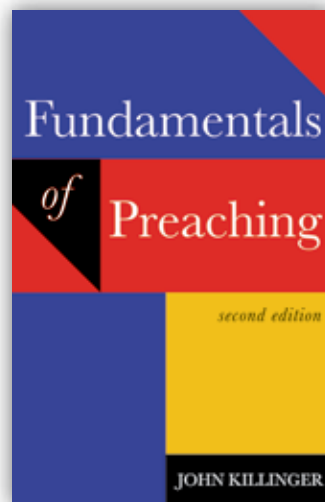
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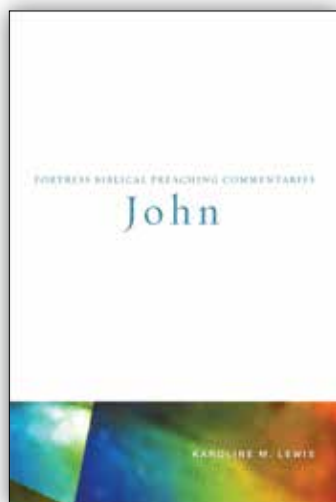
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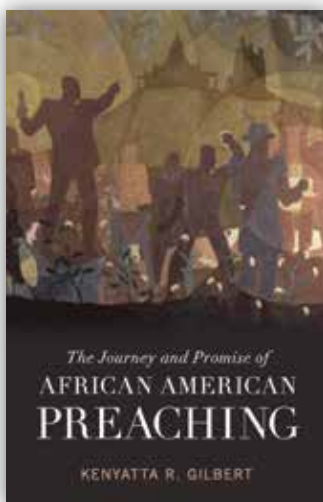


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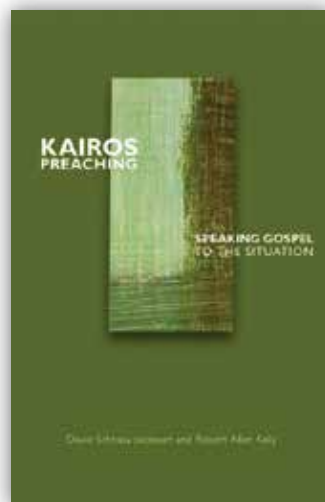
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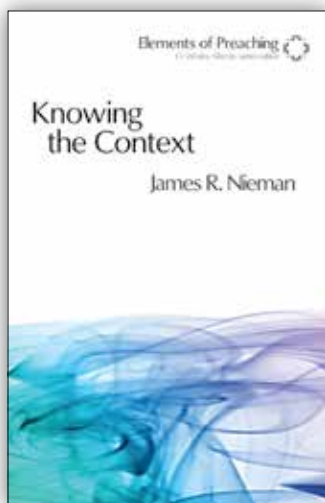
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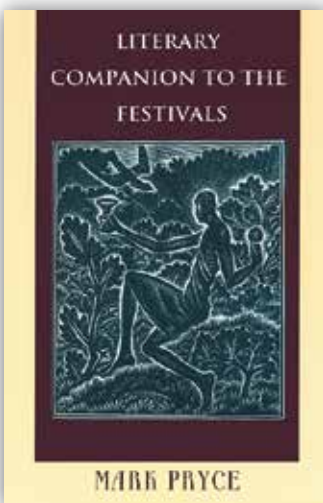
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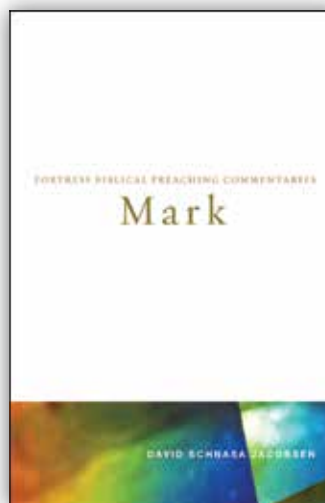
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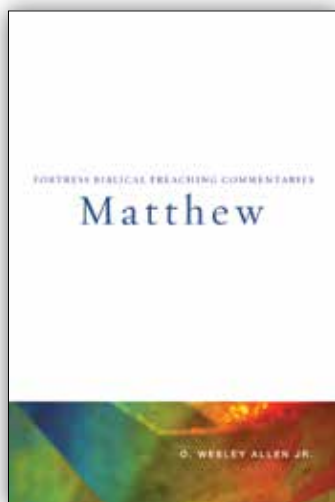
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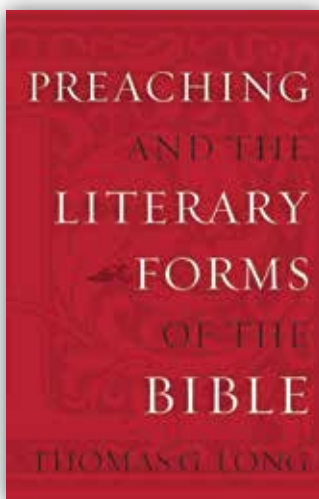
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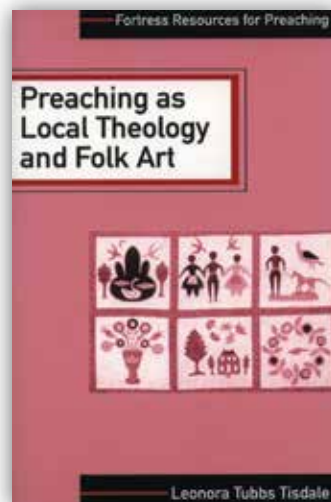
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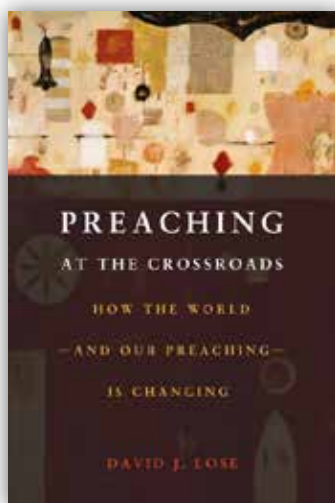
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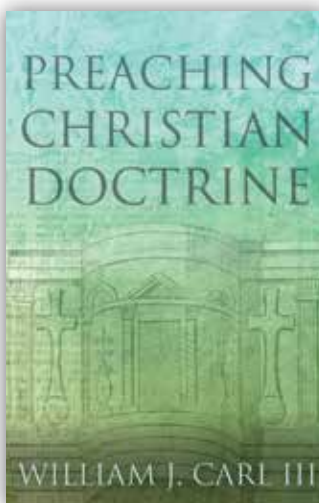
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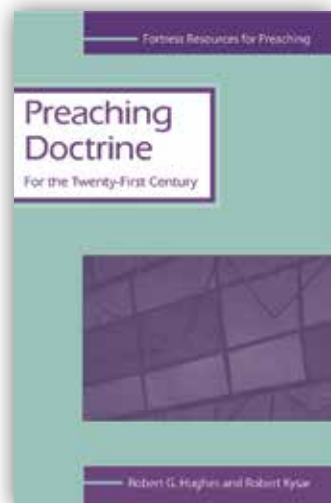
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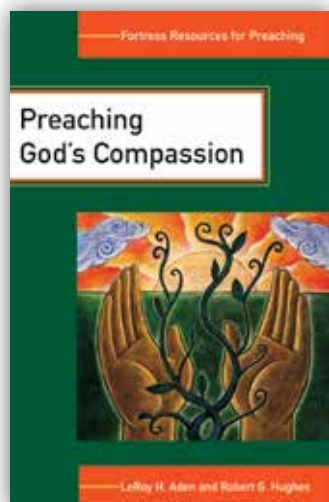
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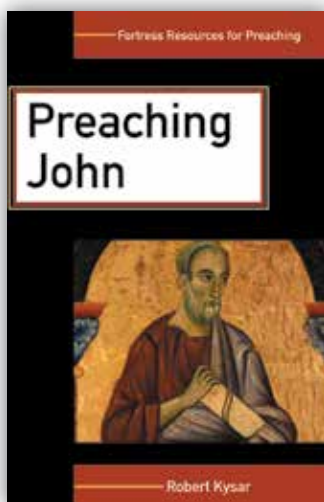


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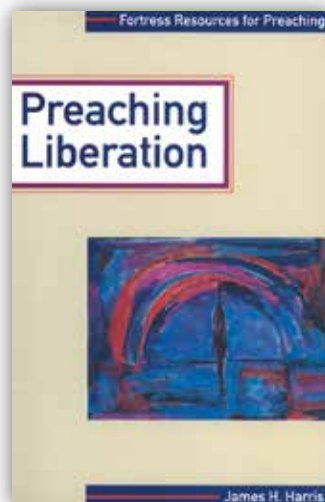
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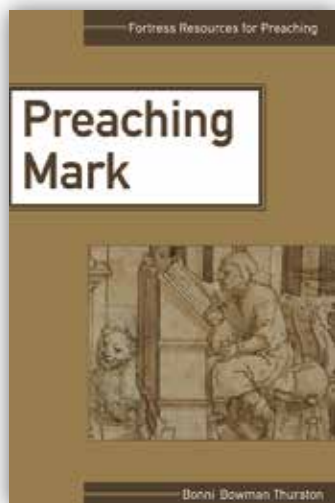
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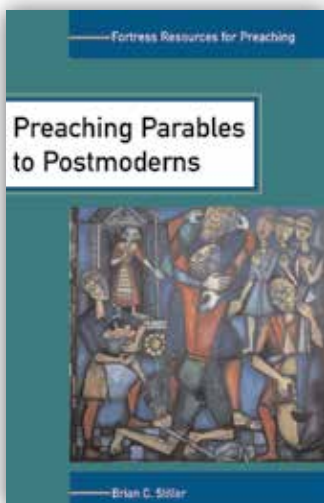
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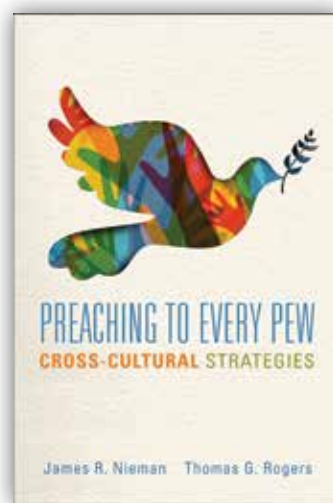
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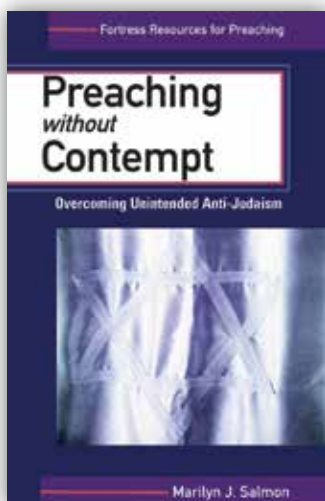
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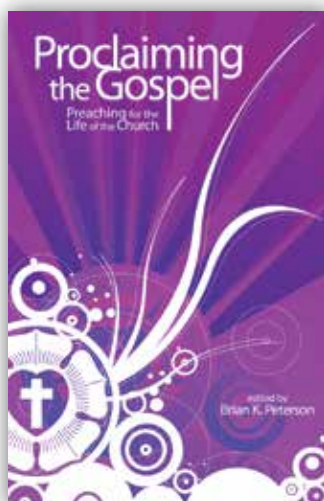


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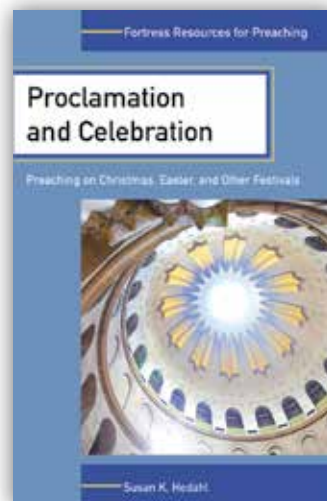
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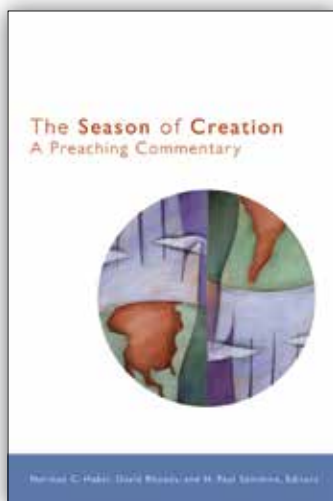
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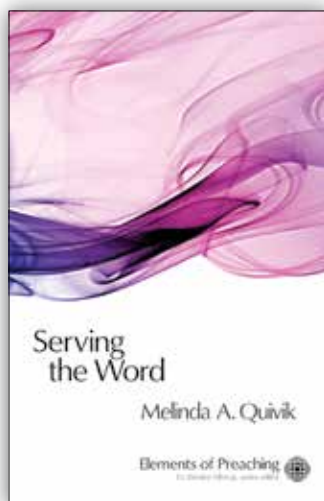
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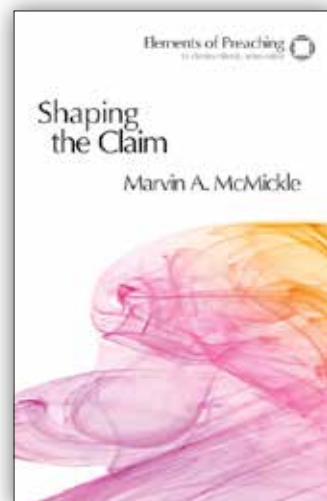
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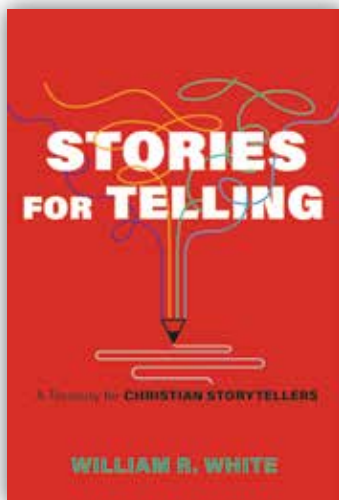


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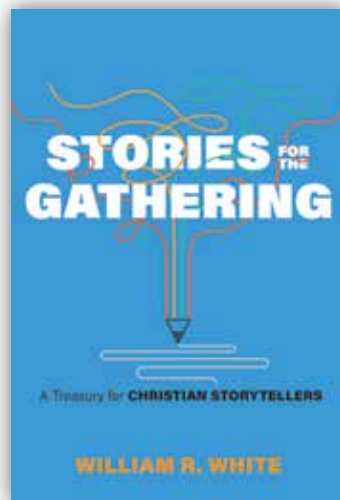
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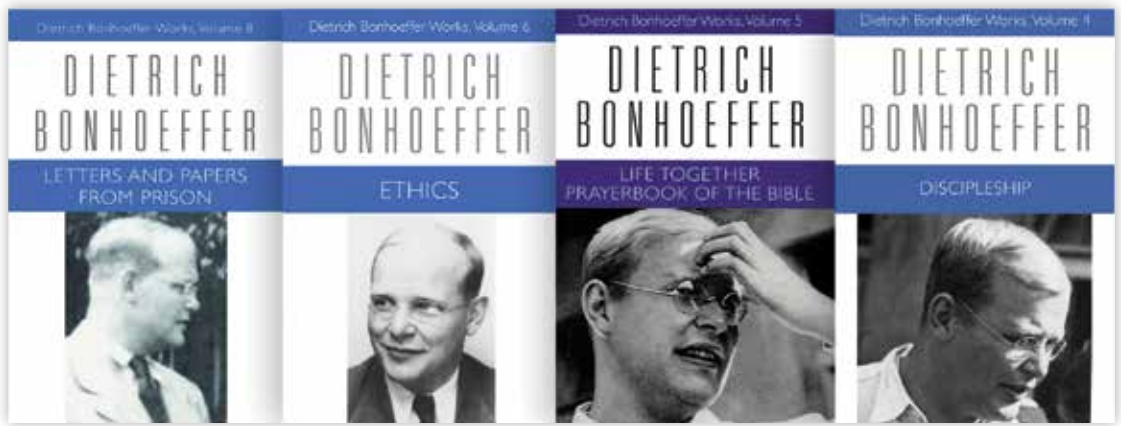
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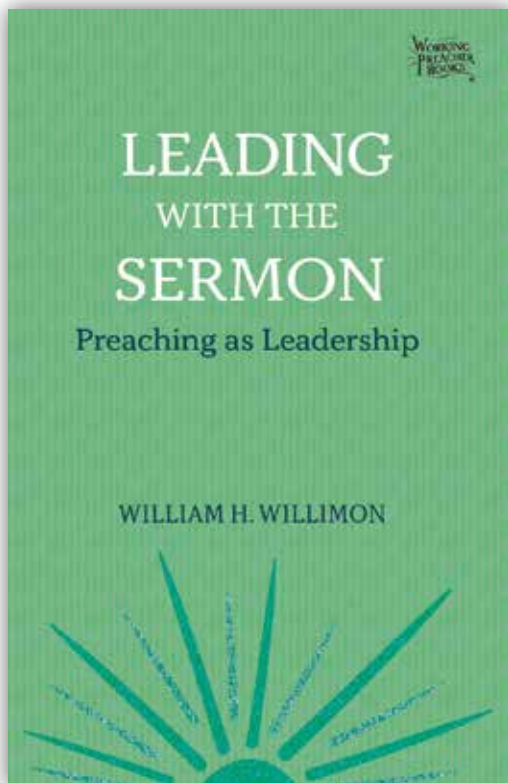
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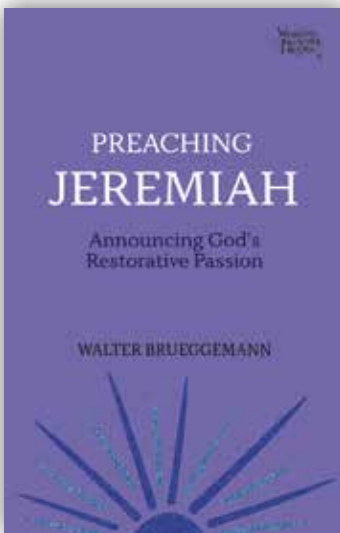
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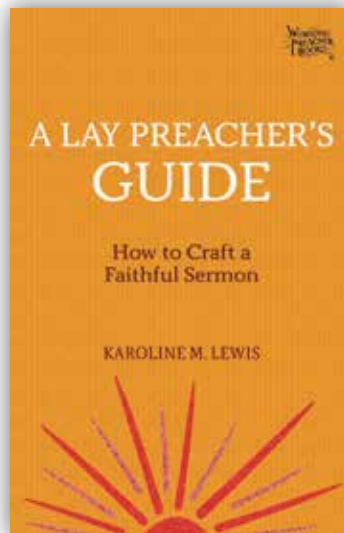
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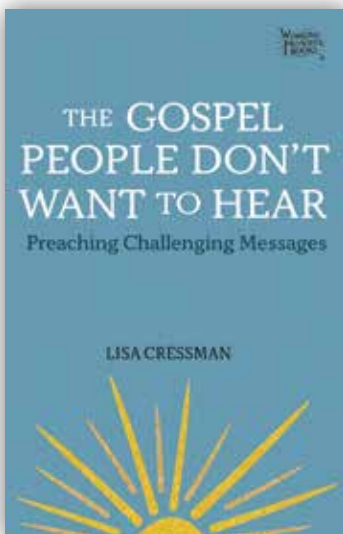
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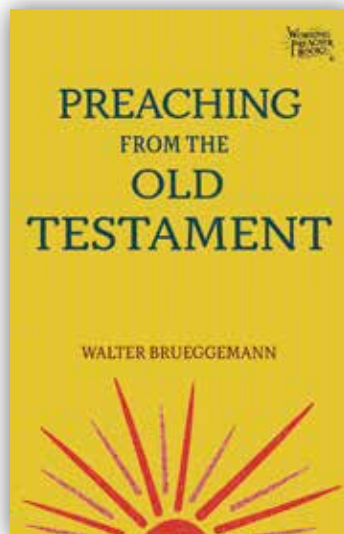
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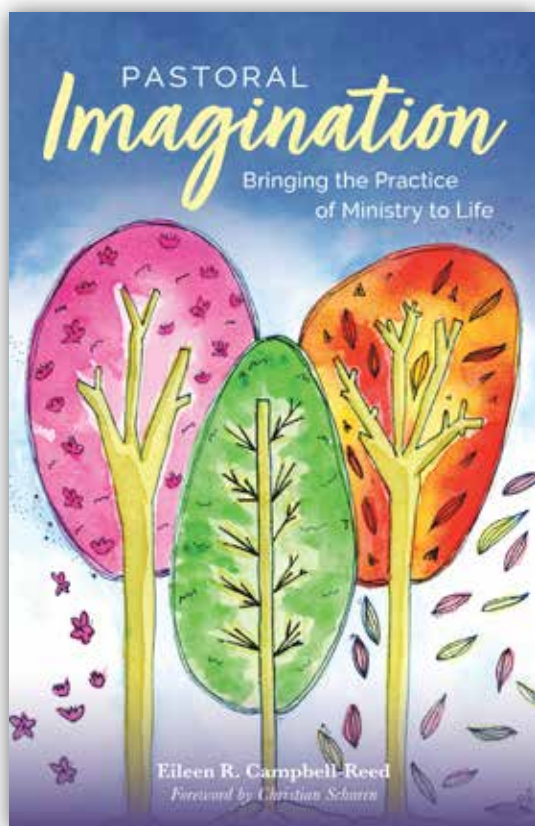
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Pastoral Imagination

Bringing the Practice of Ministry to Life

Eileen R. Campbell-Reed

Fifty lessons for personal and professional growth

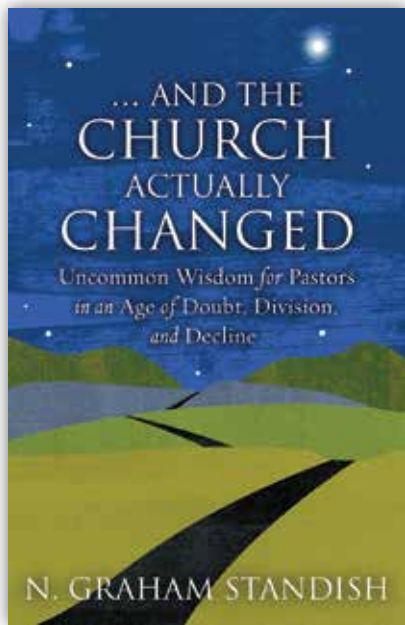
In *Pastoral Imagination*, Eileen R. Campbell-Reed informs and inspires the practice of ministry through slices of “on the ground” learning experienced by seminarians, pastors, activists, and chaplains and gathered from qualitative studies of ministry. Each of the fifty chapters explores a single concept through story, reflection, and provocative open-ended questions designed to spark conversation between ministers and mentors, among ministry peers, or for personal journal reflections. The book provides a framework for understanding ministry as an embodied, relational, integrative, and spiritual practice.

Pastoral Imagination is closely integrated with the author’s Three Minute Ministry Mentor web resource, which introduces the topics in the book through brief video presentations. The book serves as a coaching guide and a ministry mentor in its own right by expanding on these topics through the author’s reflections, observations, and questions. Addressing the importance of the practice of ministry, Campbell-Reed states: “Ministry itself, like most professions and complex practices, is dogged and driven by a rush to achieve. Yet to focus on achievement can be disastrous, especially if we skip over the steps for learning. To learn the practice of ministry—a multifaceted professional and spiritual practice—takes time and preparation, risk and responsibility, support and feedback.”

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N. Graham Standish is the executive director of Samaritan Counseling Guidance Consulting in Sewickley, Pennsylvania. Standish is an adjunct professor in the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary doctor of ministry program and has taught in its Certificate in Spiritual Formation Program, as well as in Toronto in Tyndale Theological Seminary's doctor of ministry program, focusing in the areas of spirituality and congregational leadership. He is the author of seven books and has contributed to five others.

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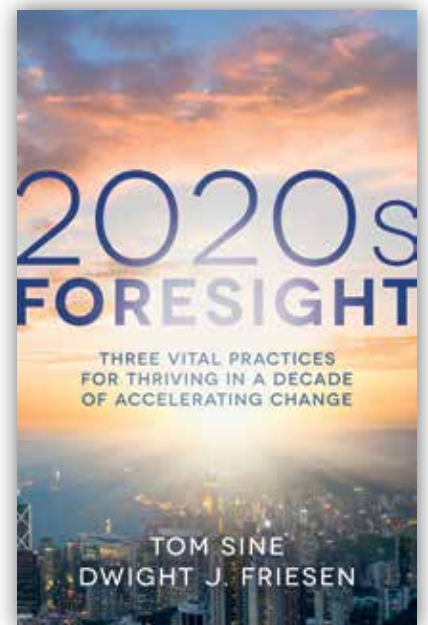
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Tom Sine is author of ten other books and many articles. He has also served as a futures innovation consultant with organizations like Habitat for Humanity, Tear Fund UK, and InterVarsity, as well as with numerous mainline denominations.

Dwight J. Friesen is a practical theologian and professor at The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology. He also serves with Parish Collective. He is the author of four other books.



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Making Church Mergers Work

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In *Better Together, Expanded and Updated: Making Church Mergers Work*, church merger consultant Jim Tomberlin and award-winning writer Warren Bird provide a complete, practical, hands-on guide for church leaders of both struggling and vibrant churches, so they can understand the issues, develop strategies, and execute merger for church expansion and renewal—ultimately, so they can reinvigorate declining churches and create a thriving new entity.

Jim Tomberlin is an ordained minister who has served in a variety of ministries, including pioneering the multisite strategy at Willow Creek Community Church in Chicago. Through The Unstuck Group, he helps churches get “unstuck” and multiply through multisite and merger coaching.

Warren Bird is vice president for research and equipping at the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). His research has been cited in mainstream media, *Christianity Today*, and numerous other religious forums.

Boundary Leaders

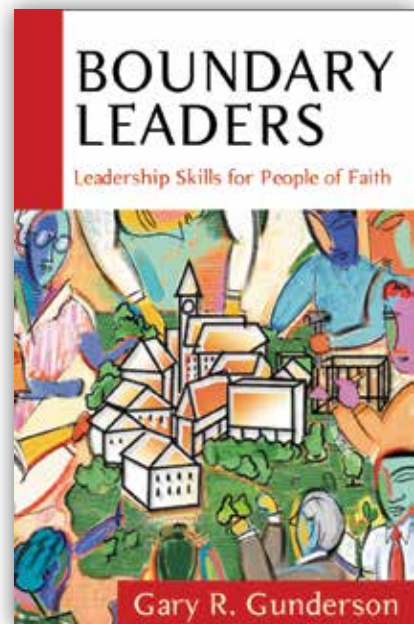
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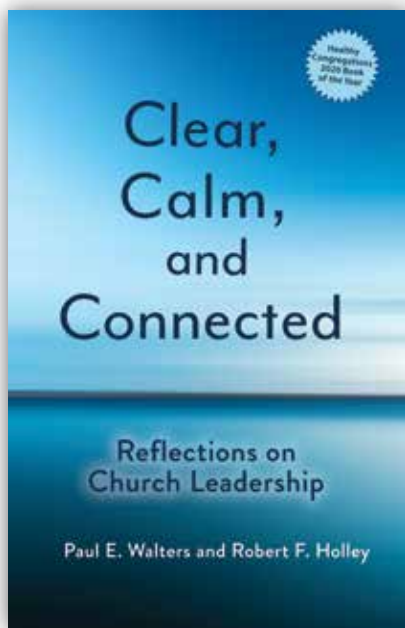
A major challenge for religious communities today lies in harnessing the commitment and energy of religious people to address larger societal issues. Key to such efforts are people who are willing to live and learn “at the boundaries” where secular meets religious, public meets private, and subcultures meet each other.

Writing for clergy and lay people and other community groups, Gunderson employs his expertise from years of leading and coordinating work at the Carter Center and elsewhere to improve the quality of life in local communities. He discusses the five important traits leaders must cultivate, centered on knowledge, commitment, integrity, relationship, and the future.

Gary Gunderson is Vice President of Faith and Health Ministries at the Medical Center Administration at Wake Forest School of Medicine. He is responsible for a national program mobilizing faith groups around a broad range of health issues.



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Clear, Calm, and Connected offers wisdom on leadership drawn from common ministry scenarios, family systems thinking, and Scripture. Paul E. Walters and Robert F. Holley provide insights and tools to help ministry leaders serve congregations more effectively and conduct their personal life with more grace. The book is an excellent leadership training tool for boards, committees, or teams and for leaders working to discern mission, define roles, and respond to conflict.

Paul E. Walters lives in Troy, Michigan, where he serves as pastor of Lutheran Church of the Master. An ordained ELCA pastor for more than 15 years, Paul has served churches large, small, and newly restarting.

Robert F. Holley is Pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, Staunton, Virginia, and is a trained "Healthy Congregation" Facilitator and "Bridge Builder" Consultant.

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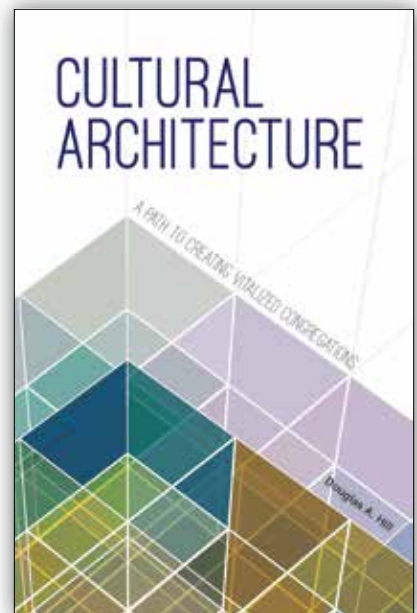
Cultural Architecture

A Path to Creating Vitalized Congregations

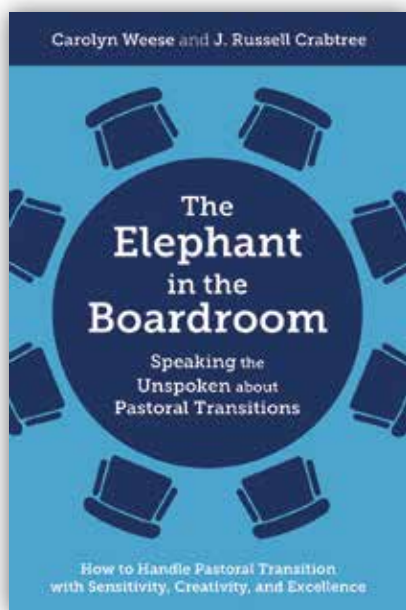
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Cultural Architecture: A Path to Creating Vitalized Congregations serves to assist pastors and leaders as they guide their congregations through the painstaking and intensive process of redevelopment. It provides hands-on tools to guide congregational leaders in creating vision, core values, and strategic plans. Although Hill's approach is grounded in his experiences within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, his systems for cultural architecture can be applied to congregations of any denomination.

Rev. Dr. **Douglas A. Hill** is lead pastor of Abiding Hope Church in Littleton, Colorado. He has served in ordained ministry for over twenty-five years in various settings. He currently serves on the Executive Team of the ELCA Larger Church network and is an innovator of the Anchor Church movement within the ELCA's Division for Domestic Mission. Hill is often enlisted to speak at events, seminars, conferences, and congregations regarding congregational vitality.



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The Elephant in the Boardroom

Speaking the Unspoken about Pastoral Transitions

Carolyn Weese and J. Russell Crabtree

Carolyn Weese and J. Russell Crabtree—experts in the field of church leadership—have written a nuts-and-bolts guide to developing a succession plan for smooth pastoral transitions. Filled with strategies and solid advice, this handy resource is based in solid research and the authors' many years of experience working with churches in a wide variety of denominations. Weese and Crabtree clearly show that leadership succession should be part of every church's planning process.

Carolyn Weese formed Multi-Staff Ministries in 1984 to help churches fulfill their vision more effectively, grow spiritually, and develop stronger leaders based on solid biblical principles and good business management practices. She wrote *Eagles in Tall Steeples: What Pastors and Congregations Wish They Knew about Each Other*.

J. Russell Crabtree has served small, midsize, and large churches in New York and Ohio. He founded Holy Cow! Consulting in Columbus, Ohio, a company that offers organizational development services for religious, government, and nonprofit organizations, and is currently retired.

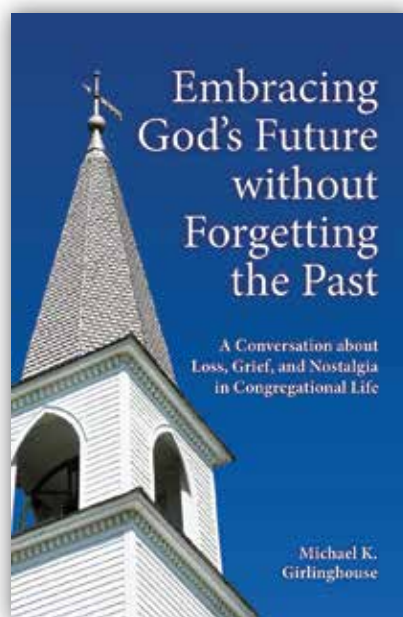
Embracing God's Future without Forgetting the Past

A Conversation about Loss, Grief, and Nostalgia in Congregational Life

Michael K. Girlinghouse

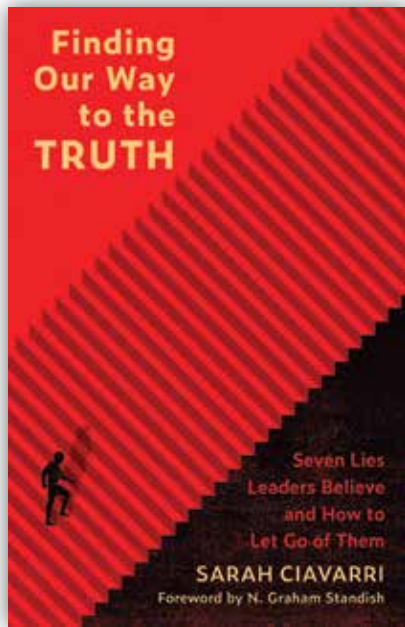
Embracing God's Future without Forgetting the Past helps congregations, leaders, and members alike process the grief and loss in their congregational system and use what they have learned to adapt creatively to the changing realities they face in mission and ministry. Congregations who work through their grief over change and loss and redefine their relationship with their past can draw strength and encouragement from their memories and step boldly into God's good future with confidence.

Bishop **Michael Girlinghouse** has served congregations and campus ministries in Wisconsin, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Oklahoma and has taught as an instructor at the university level. He currently serves as the bishop of the Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod, ELCA. Bishop Girlinghouse is a devotional writer and has led a variety of workshops and retreats. He is married and has an adult daughter.



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Finding Our Way to the Truth

Seven Lies Leaders Believe and How to Let Go of Them

Sarah Ciavarrri

In *Finding Our Way to the Truth*, Sarah Ciavarrri explores lies that masquerade as truths. They aren't obvious. They can be benign, even helpful. Through engaging personal stories, Ciavarrri helps leaders recognize seven common lies, such as "People must like me" and "I'm responsible for it all." She then demonstrates a three-step process for unmasking each lie—pay attention, examine, apply the learning. When we let go of the lies, well-being and hope take their place.

Sarah Ciavarrri is founder of This Wholehearted Life, LLC, and is a Certified Facilitator of all of Dr. Brené Brown's curricula: Dare to Lead; Daring Greatly; Bold; and The Gifts of Imperfection. A graduate of Luther Seminary, she has facilitated over 200 workshops on Dr. Brown's research and has supported thousands of leaders to develop a courage practice. Sarah is a Professional Certified Coach with the International Coaching Federation.

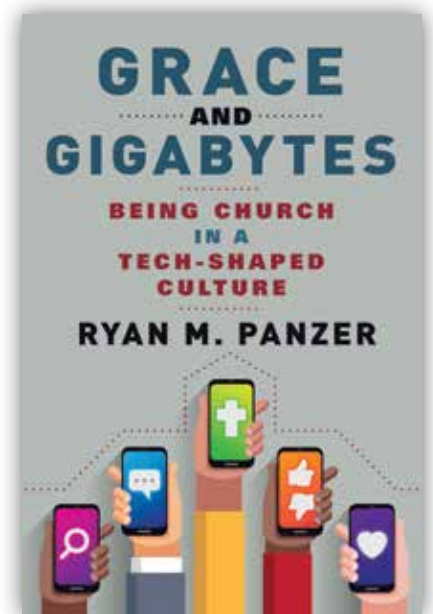
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Being Church in a Tech-Shaped Culture

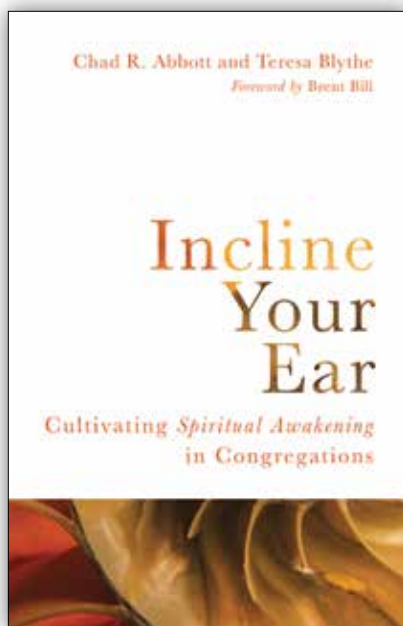
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Grace and Gigabytes explores the intersection of technology, culture, and church. Examining digital technology not as a set of tools, but as a force for cultural transformation, Ryan M. Panzer explores the networked values of the digital age: questions, connection, collaboration, and creativity; demonstrates the need for the church to change if it is to realize its mission; and makes recommendations for the practice of ministry today.

Ryan M. Panzer (M.A., Luther Seminary) is a learning and leadership development professional in the technology industry. A student of digital media and its influence on our lives, he is especially interested in the intersection of faith and technology.



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Incline Your Ear

Cultivating Spiritual Awakening in Congregations

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Incline Your Ear: Cultivating Spiritual Awakening in Congregations introduces faith communities and individuals to the centuries-old practice of spiritual direction. Authors Chad R. Abbott and Teresa Blythe explore ways to become more aware of the presence of the Holy, deepen our relationship with God, discern where God is leading, share our spiritual gifts, and evaluate these fruits of the Spirit. Readers will find new ways to be in love with God and listen to the Spirit.

Chad R. Abbott is a conference minister in the United Church of Christ in Indiana and Kentucky. Having served congregations in both the United Methodist and United Church of Christ traditions, he is a pastor at heart, passionate about local churches, pastors, and spirituality.

Teresa Blythe is a spiritual director, writer, conference keynote speaker, and experienced leader of spirituality circles and small groups in the Christian tradition. She received her master of divinity and spiritual direction training at San Francisco Theological Seminary and has facilitated group spiritual direction in a variety of projects.

Leading Congregational Change

A Practical Guide for the Transformational Journey

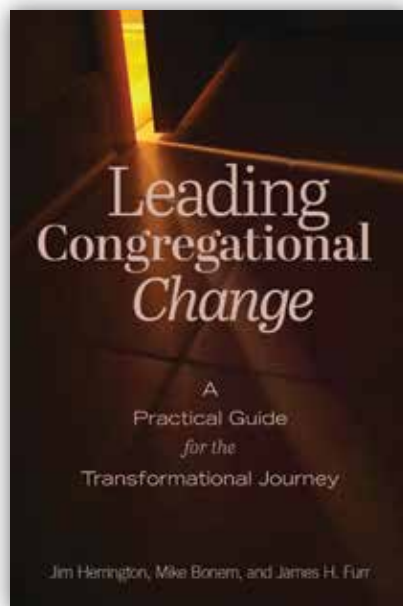
Jim Herrington, Mike Bonem, and James H. Furr

With this much-needed handbook, the authors brilliantly combine their experience guiding dozens of churches through the change process with both the study of Christian disciplines and the sophisticated understanding of such important business thinkers as John Kotter on leading change, and Peter Senge on learning organizations. In this eminently readable book, the authors have distilled their insights and practices into simple but powerful concepts for leading congregations, whether long established or recently formed, through profound change.

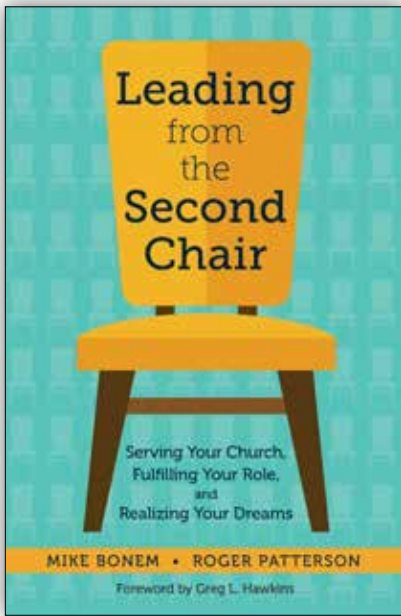
Jim Herrington is a leadership coach and consultant, author, husband, father, and grandfather. Jim has a doctor of ministry degree from Houston Graduate School of Theology.

Mike Bonem is a consultant, coach, author, husband, and father. Mike has an MBA from Harvard and a breadth of experience in ministry and business.

James H. Furr is an educator, trainer, and consultant for faith-based leaders and organizations. He currently serves as president of Houston Graduate School of Theology, where he is also Professor of Church and Culture.



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Leading from the Second Chair

Serving Your Church, Fulfilling Your Role, and Realizing Your Dreams

Mike Bonem and Roger Patterson

Leading from the Second Chair offers an invaluable resource to leaders who serve in second-chair roles, enabling them to become more productive, proactive, and fulfilled. The book reveals the paradoxes of second chair leadership. These leaders must be subordinate to the top leader yet lead in their own right. They should be deep in their expertise but wide in perspective. And they must be content in their jobs yet remain enthusiastic about their dreams for the future. Bonem and Patterson share their own and others' experiences of failure and success in this vital role. They offer support and practical advice for reshaping the way second-chair leaders can serve well and improve the overall performance of their church or organization.

Mike Bonem is a consultant, coach, author, husband, and father. He loves to help ministries and their leaders reach their God-given potential. He has written four books on ministry leadership and has spoken across the country. Mike has an MBA from Harvard and a breadth of experience in ministry and business.

Roger Patterson is the senior pastor of West University Baptist & Crosspoint Church, a multisite congregation in the heart of Houston, Texas. Roger enjoys spending time with his family, coaching youth sports, and working out.

The Missional Leader

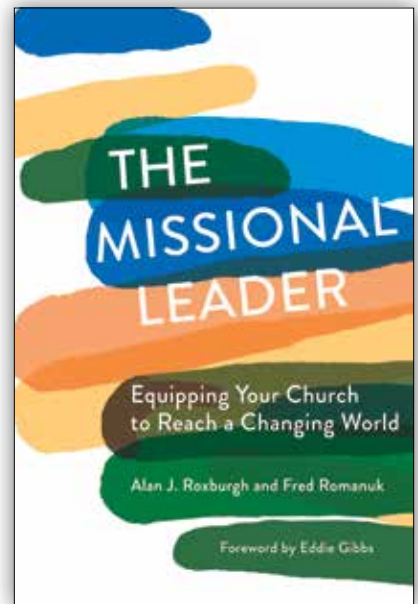
Equipping Your Church to Reach a Changing World

Alan J. Roxburgh and Fred Romanuk

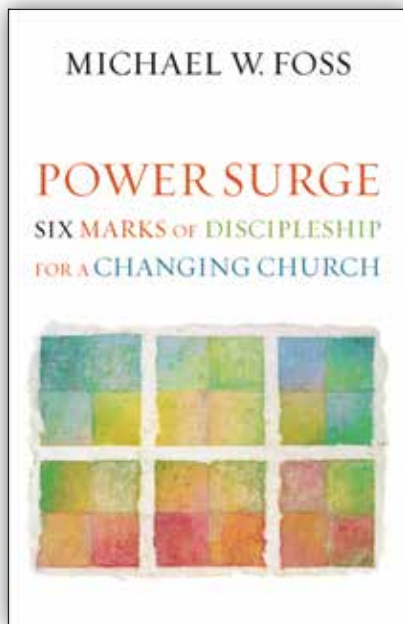
In *The Missional Leader*, consultants Alan Roxburgh and Fred Romanuk give church and denominational leaders a clear model for leading the change necessary to foster a missional church focused outward to spread the message of the gospel into the surrounding community. It emphasizes principles rather than institutional forms, shows readers how to move from "church as usual," and demonstrates what capacities, environments, and mindsets are required to lead a missional church.

Alan J. Roxburgh is a pastor, teacher, writer, and consultant with more than thirty years' experience in church leadership, consulting, and seminary education. He works with the Allelon Missional Leadership Network in the formation of leaders for the missional church.

Fred Romanuk is an organizational psychologist who has led strategic planning initiatives for many large organizations in Canada and the United States. He has also worked with senior executives in assessing and developing the capabilities of people in leadership roles.



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Power Surge

Six Marks of Discipleship for a Changing Church

Michael W. Foss

Drawing on his experience at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Burnsville, Minnesota, Foss makes the case for transforming congregations from a membership model to a discipleship model of church affiliation. The book begins with a careful analysis of recent patterns in church membership/demographics that argue for this paradigm shift. Subsequent chapters detail the unique leadership and organizational needs of a discipleship model, explore the building and maintaining of fundamental trust in God and in God’s people as the cornerstone of the model, and provide practical helps for assessing the present and strategies for moving into the future.

Michael W. Foss is pastor emeritus and teaching pastor of St. Mark Lutheran Church in West Des Moines, Iowa. He is a graduate of Wartburg Theological Seminary. Foss has authored several books for Fortress Press including *A Servant’s Manual*; *Real Faith for Real Life*; and *The Disciple’s Joy*.

Shepherd Leadership

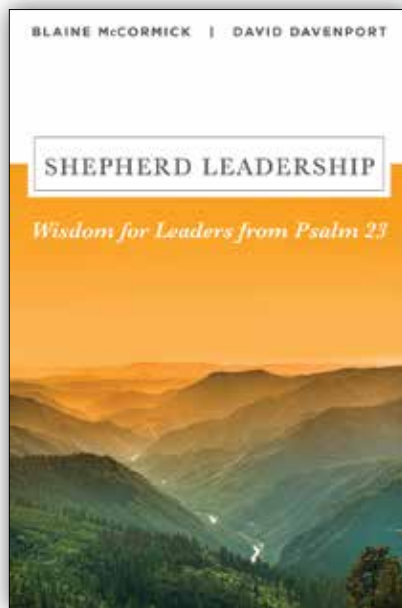
Wisdom for Leaders from Psalm 23

Blaine McCormick and David Davenport

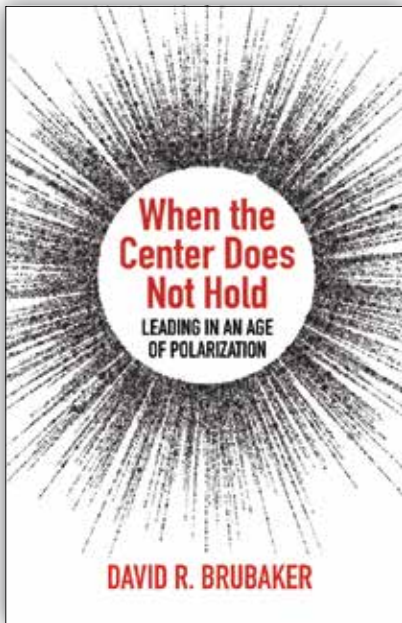
Shepherd Leadership offers a much-needed lens through which to consider our own leadership as well as the leadership of those around us. This book teaches us important lessons about leadership: we can be vigilant without being adversarial, we can serve without being passive, and we can guide without commanding. *Shepherd Leadership* offers a visionary new model for transforming leadership practices in both corporate and small business settings. This is whole-person leadership.

Blaine McCormick is an award-winning professor at the Hankamer School of Business at Baylor University where he has served as both associate dean and department chair. He is the author of several books and a wide variety of academic articles, and is a published poet.

David Davenport is the former president of Pepperdine University and is currently Distinguished Professor of Public Policy and Law at Pepperdine University. He writes a column for Scripps Howard News Service, and his writings have appeared in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *USA Today*, and the *Christian Science Monitor*.



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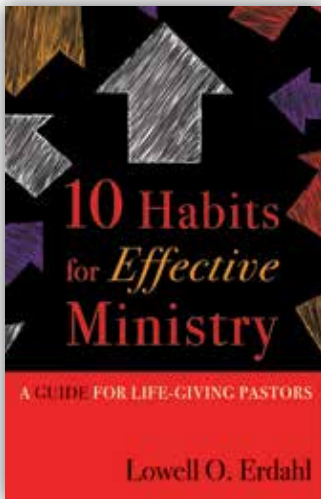
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Leading in an Age of Polarization

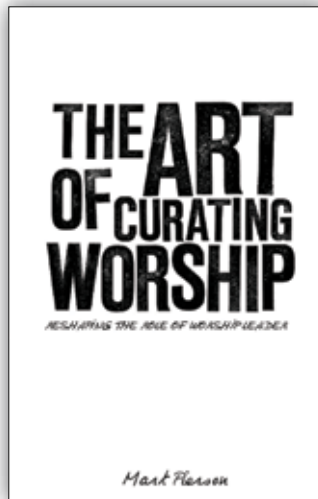
David R. Brubaker

Over the past forty years, polarization has permeated nearly every level of American life, including the intimate spheres of faith and interpersonal relationships. In *When the Center Does Not Hold*, David Brubaker, with contributions by colleagues, offers relevant, practical mentorship on navigating polarized environments, equipping leaders to both manage themselves and effectively lead others in highly polarized and anxious systems. In this book, readers will find hope.

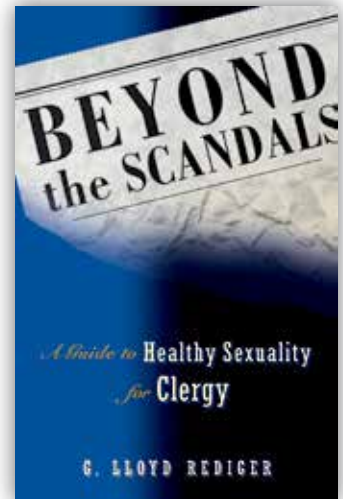
David R. Brubaker has more than thirty years of organizational consulting and workplace mediation experience and has consulted with more than one hundred organizations and congregations since 1987. He holds an MBA degree and a PhD in sociology from the University of Arizona, with concentrations in organizations and religion. He writes a regular blog post for the Congregational Consulting Group.



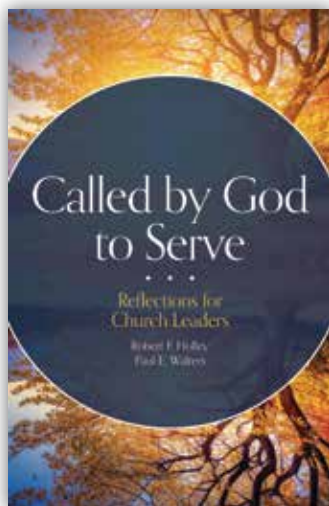
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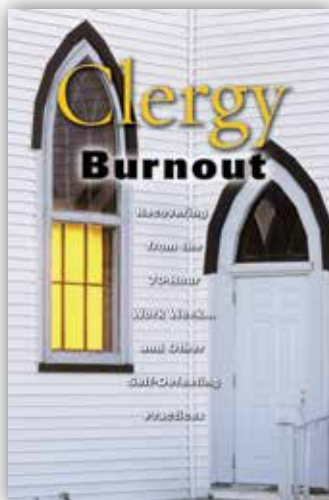
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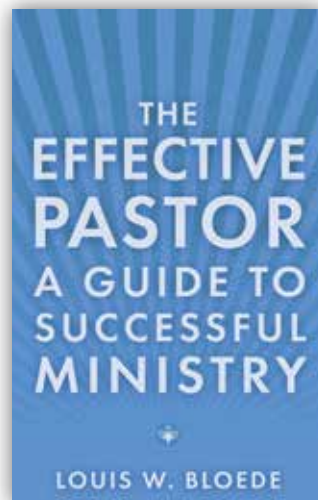
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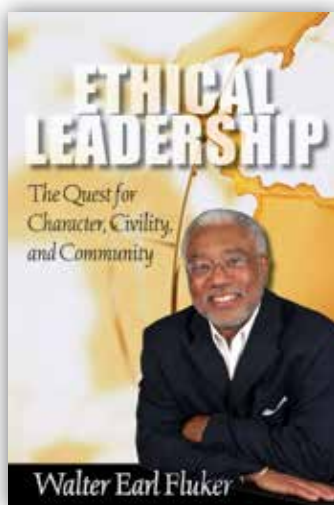
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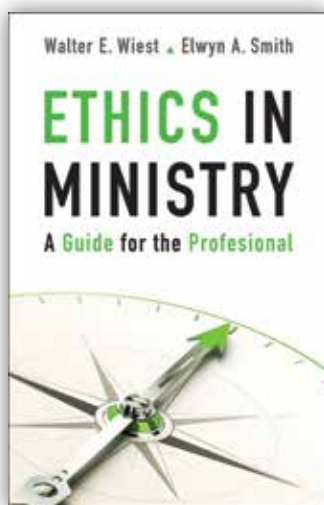
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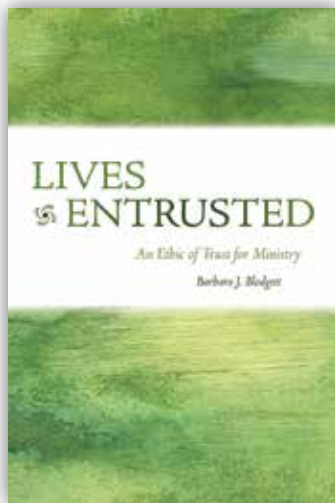
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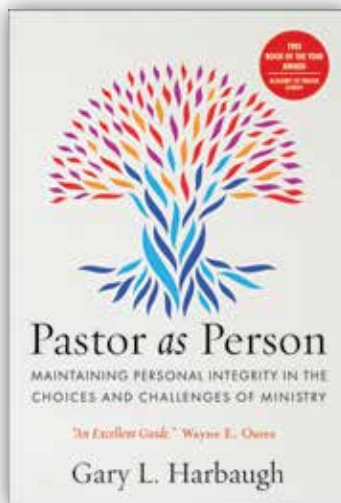
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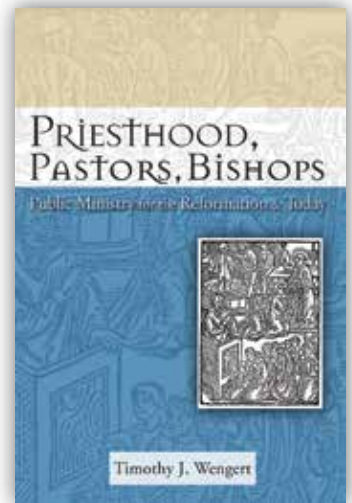
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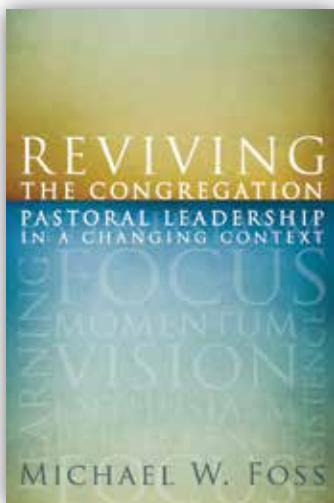
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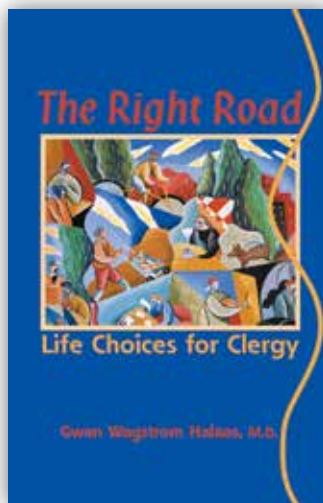
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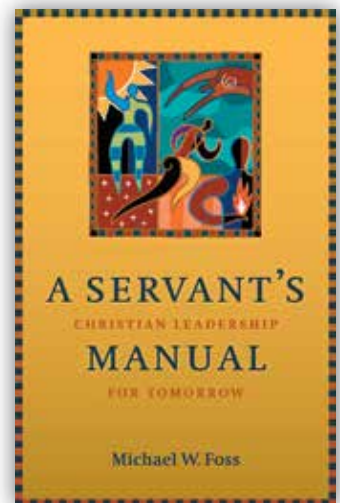
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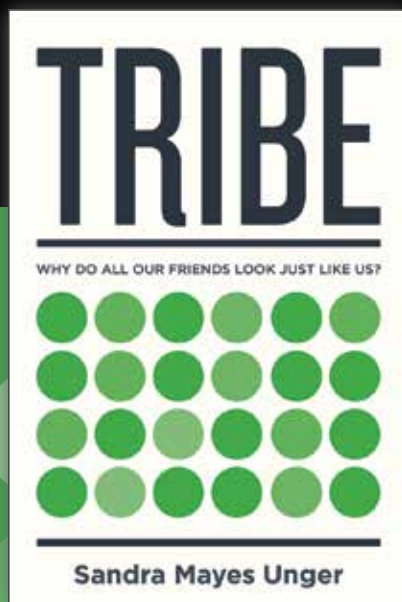


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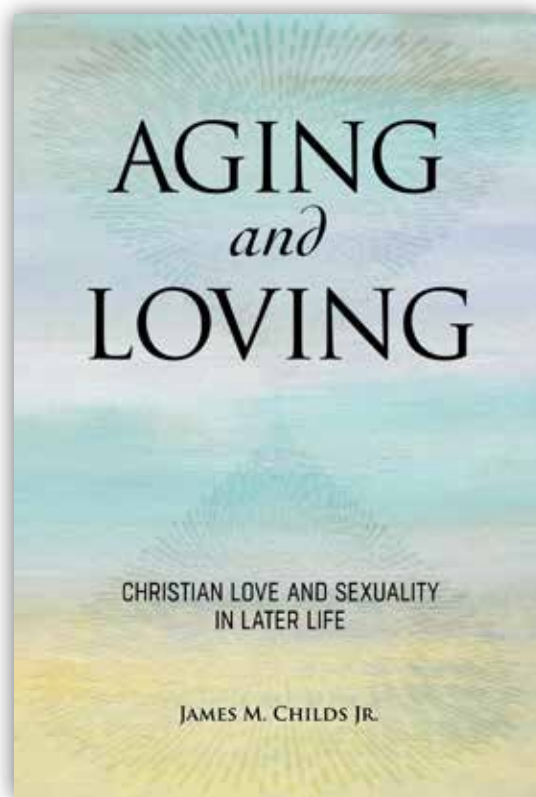


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Aging and Loving

Christian Love and Sexuality in Later Life

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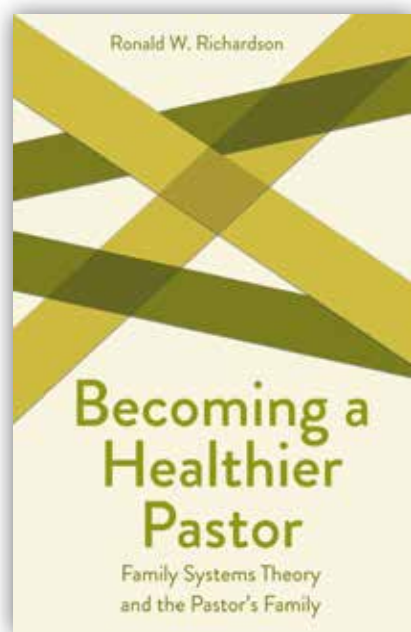
Aging and Loving aims to address the social, ethical, physical, and spiritual issues related to sexuality and aging. The book is written for various professionals who minister to the aged (pastors, chaplains, other care providers), for the aging and aged themselves, and for their families. The focus is on people sixty-five years old and older. This is the age group whose sexuality is most vulnerable to being dismissed by those around them. It is also the age group that experiences new challenges to their sexual lives as age brings physical and sometimes psychological changes as well as changes in living circumstances.

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“Life is holy from start to finish. Not only does love entail respect for that in terms of care for the physical and spiritual well-being of the aged but also their needs for intimacy so integral to life itself. The bonding of love with another in acts of sexual intimacy is an essential part of life’s wholeness and vitality. To dismiss sexual expression in later life as non-essential or even disgusting fails the test of love’s commitment to the triumph of life in its fullness.”

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Ronald W. Richardson is former Clinical Director of the North Shore Counseling Center, pastoral counselor, author of many books on family systems theory, and currently a retired pastor living in West Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

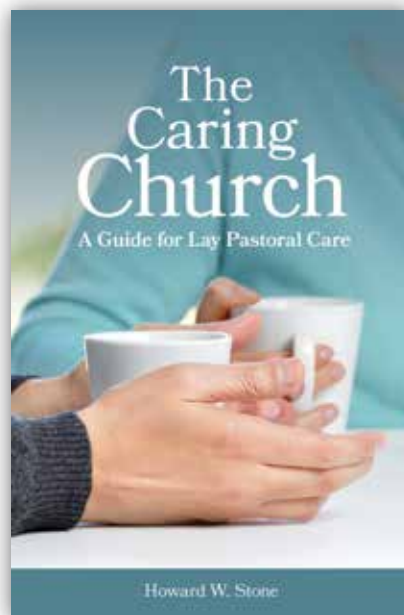
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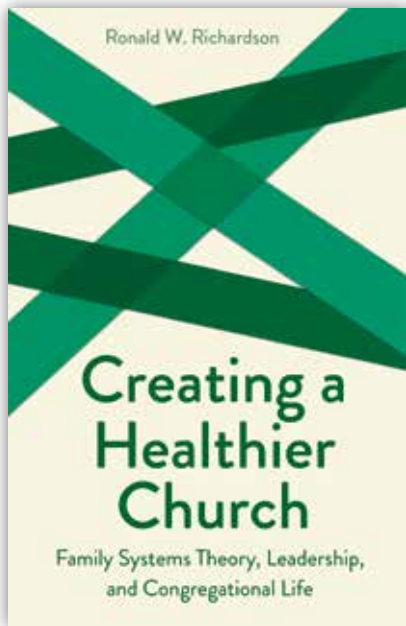
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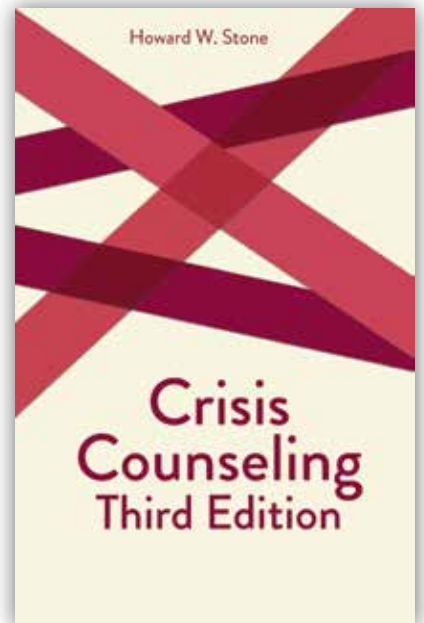
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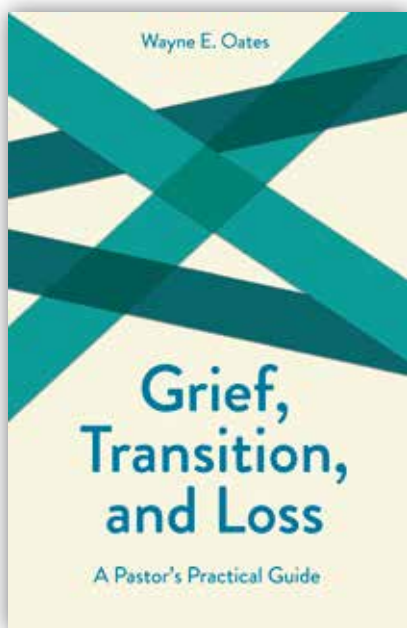
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Wayne E. Oates (d. 1999) was professor emeritus of psychiatry and behavioral science at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. Author of numerous publications, he was for many years professor of psychology of religion at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

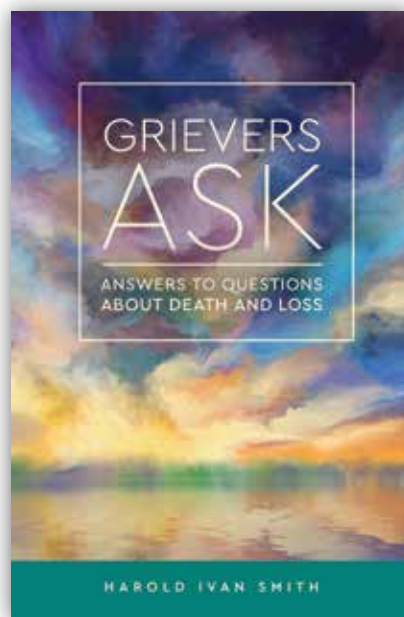
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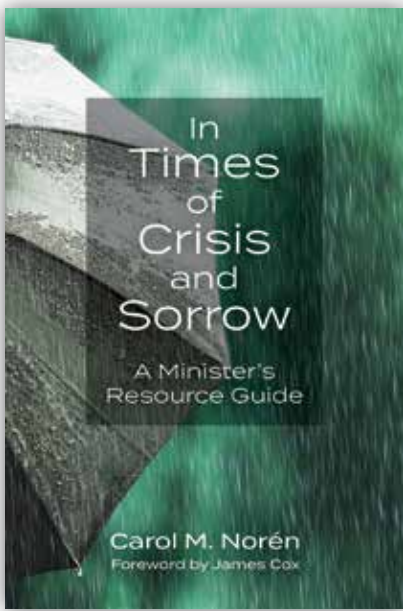
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Harold Ivan Smith is the author of many books including *On Grieving the Death of a Father*; *Grieving the Death of a Friend*; *Singles Ask*; and *I Wish Someone Understood My Divorce*. A former funeral director, he is a member of the Association for Death Education and Counseling, and leader of seminars on grief and spirituality. He lives in Kansas City, Missouri.



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Carol M. Norén is professor emerita of preaching at North Park Theological Seminary in Chicago. She previously served on the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary and Duke University Divinity School, and was visiting professor of homiletics at Stockholm School of Theology in Stockholm, Sweden, and Theological Hall in Melbourne, Australia. Ordained in the United Methodist Church, she has served urban and suburban churches in Illinois and in Manchester, England, and has preached, held workshops, and lectured around the world.

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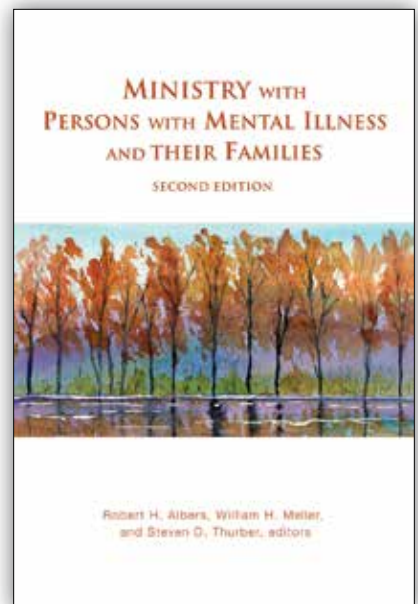
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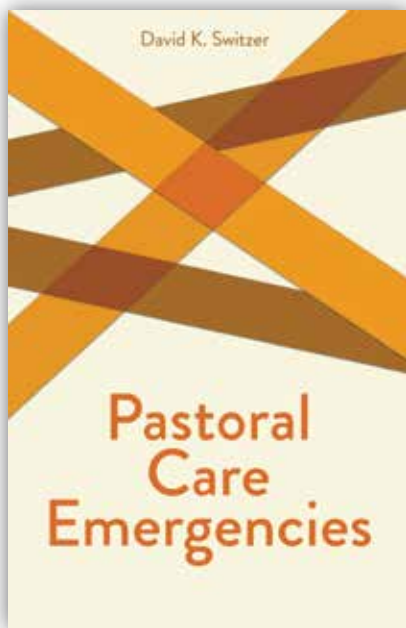
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David K. Switzer is emeritus professor of pastoral care and counseling, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

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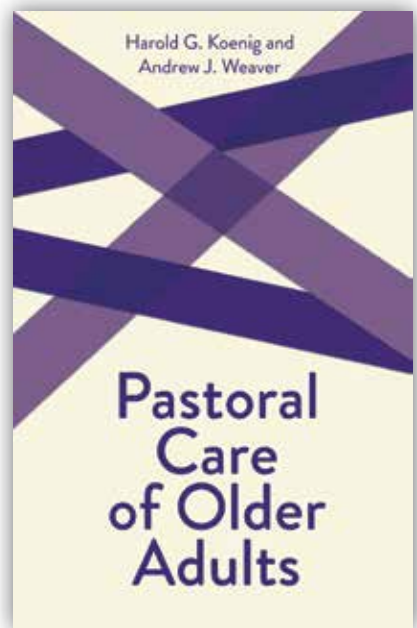
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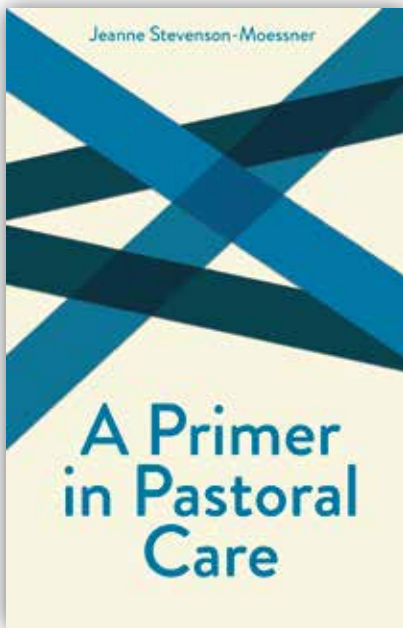
Currently, more than half of mainline Protestants are over the age of fifty. Older adults have special needs to which many pastors are not adequately prepared to minister. *Pastoral Care of Older Adults* addresses such problems, many of which were identified in an extensive survey of clergy. The book provides practical guidance for parish pastors, and other counselors, to deal with such issues as Alzheimer's disease, the chronically ill, relocation, health crises, grief, depression, anxiety, gender differences, poverty, and the issues faced by the children of older adults.

Harold G. Koenig, MD, is professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, associate professor of medicine, and founding co-director of Duke's Center for Spirituality, Theology, and Health.

Andrew J. Weaver, PhD (d. 2008) was a licensed clinical psychologist; licensed marriage, family, and child therapist; and ordained minister of the United Methodist Church. He was the director of pastoral research at The HealthCare Chaplaincy.



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Stevenson-Moessner sees pastoral care as the interconnection and interplay of love of God, love of neighbor, and love of self. Her brief book engenders confidence and caring in the initiate and assuages the fear and anxiety that naturally occur when one accompanies people in life-changing pain and travail. Through biblical parables and stories from her own experience, Stevenson-Moessner imparts genuine wisdom and meaningful support to those who courageously dare to offer caregiving ministry in whatever situation or through whatever method or paradigm.

Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner is professor of pastoral care and pastoral theology at Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, Texas. She is editor of *Women with 2020 Vision: American Theologians on the Voice, Vote, and Vision of Women*, and two pioneering books in pastoral care, *Through the Eyes of Women: Insights for Pastoral Care* and *Women in Travail and Transition: A New Pastoral Care*, and author of *In Her Own Time: Women and Developmental Issues in Pastoral Care*.

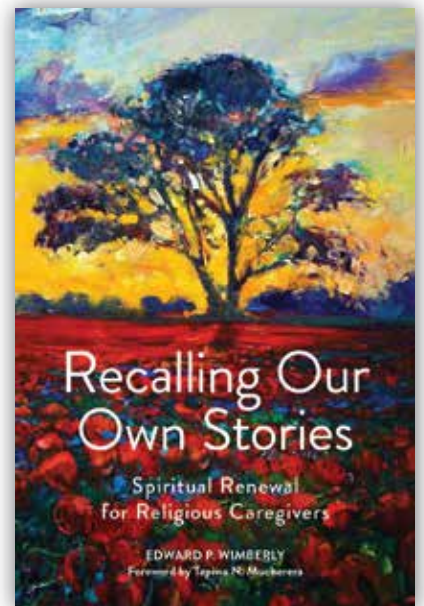
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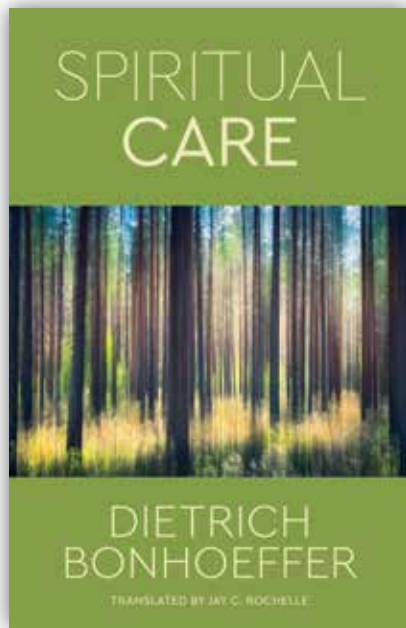
Recalling Our Own Stories, which author Edward P. Wimberly describes as “a spiritual retreat in book form,” is designed to help clergy and religious caregivers face the challenges of ministry. It is also a valuable resource for practitioners who assist these clergy and caregivers in meeting the challenges of their work. Wimberly offers a way to renew one’s motivation for ministry by reconnecting to one’s original call.

Edward P. Wimberly taught in theological education for forty-three years at three theological schools, most recently the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, and has lectured and led workshops at universities and seminaries throughout the world. He is interested in how cultural myths affect the functioning of individuals, couples, families, and organizations and how to intervene in their stories.



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Bonhoeffer says spiritual care is a function of the congregation and that it is an aspect of the broader, more encompassing activity of proclamation. In *Spiritual Care*, we are confronted with the awesome truth that in speech God's presence is known and that speech is also our own; in silence God's presence is known and that silence is also our own. The text demands that we consider how the gospel message is brought to people in the midst of their personal lives, and Bonhoeffer's message and counsel use the tools given within the traditional life of the church so that such grace becomes enacted, enfleshed, and incarnate in the Christian community.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a theologian, pastor, and Christian martyr. He was executed by the Nazis for his role in the German resistance movement.

Jay C. Rochelle is an author and former professor of worship and dean of the chapel at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

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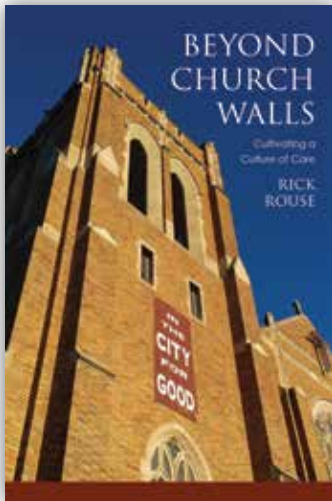
Jeffry R. Zurheide

When a religious caregiver visits a person who is suffering and dying or who is grieving a tragic death, questions arise concerning faith in God's goodness and power. This book deals with the pastor's preparation to deal with personal and cosmic issues of suffering and justice. Zurheide includes suggestions for conducting conversations with the dying.

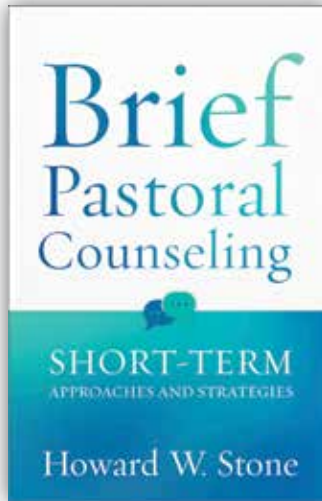
Jeffry R. Zurheide (d. 2009), was pastor of Wilton Baptist Church in Wilton, Connecticut. A former hospital chaplain, he held a DMin in pastoral care and counseling from Brite Divinity School and was a member of the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education.



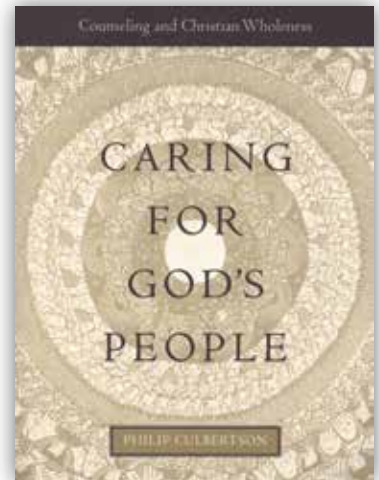
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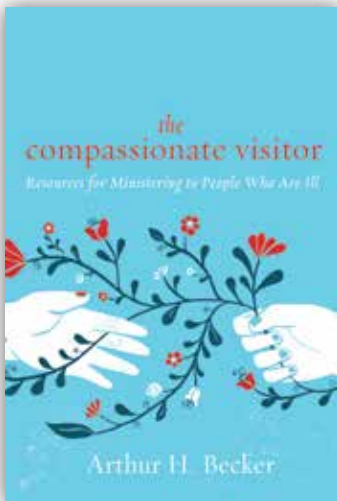
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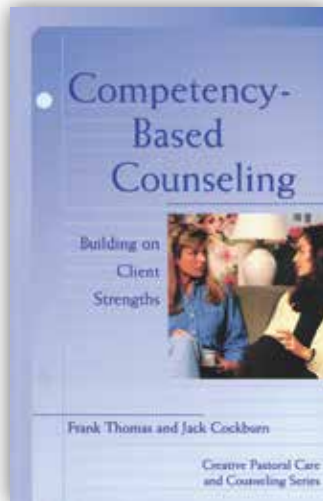
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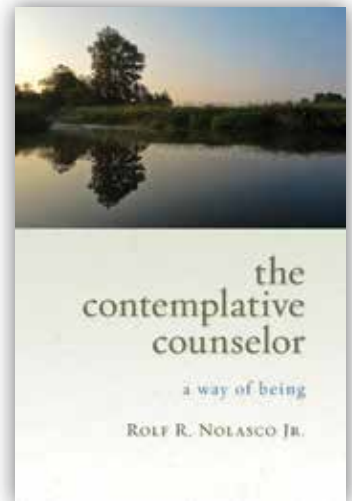
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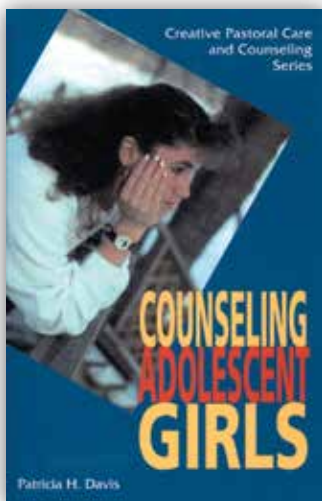
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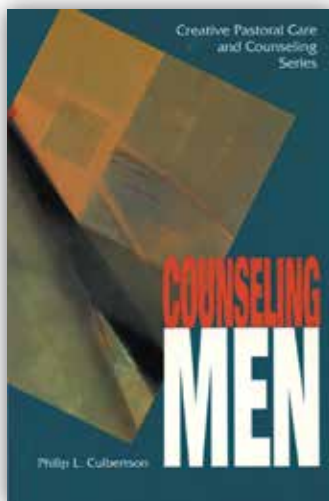


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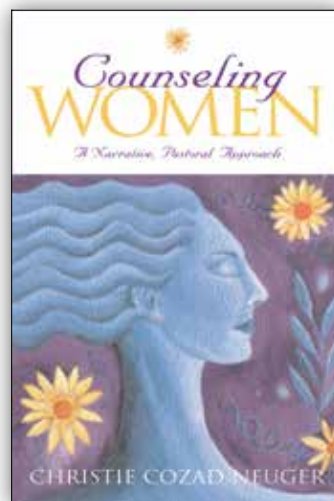
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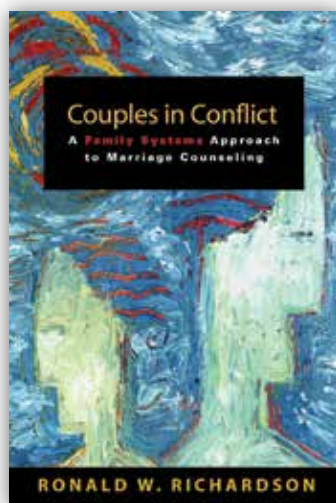
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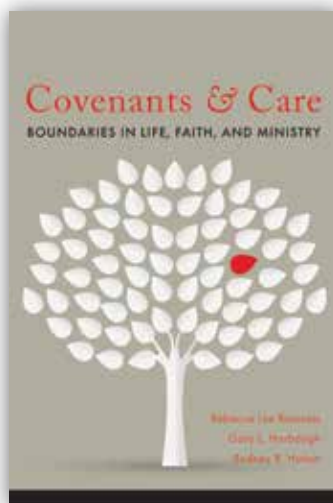
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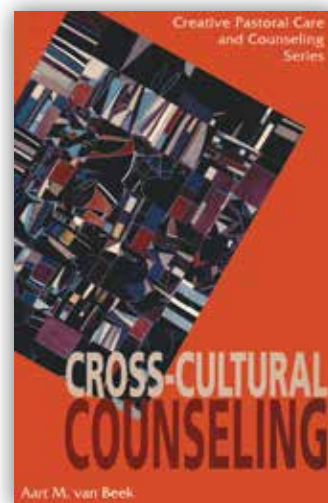
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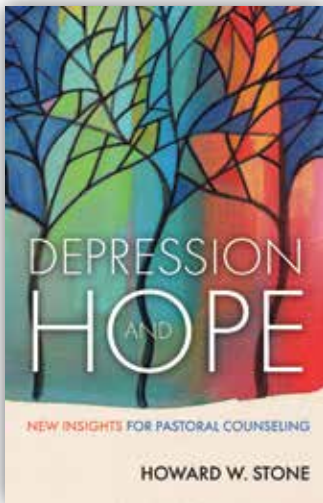
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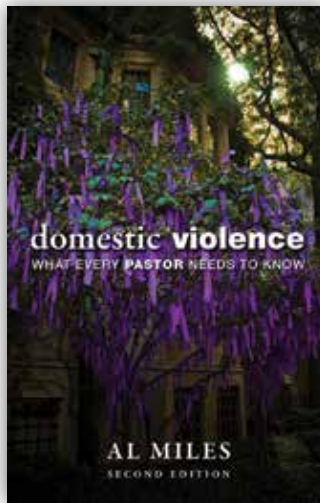
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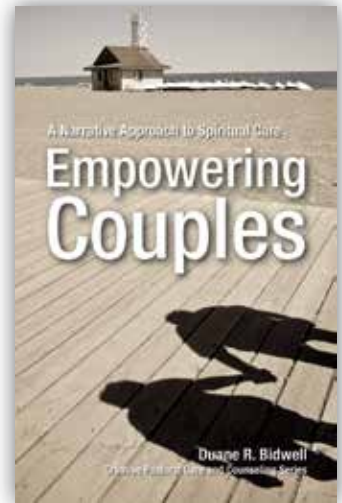
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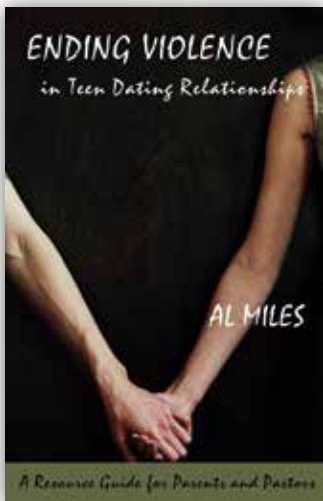
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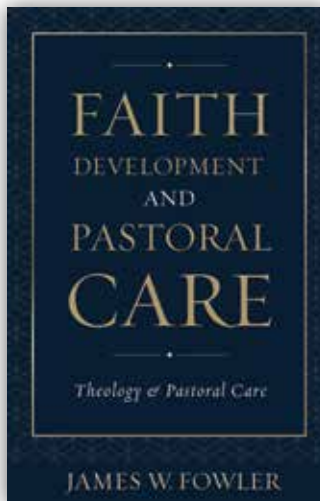
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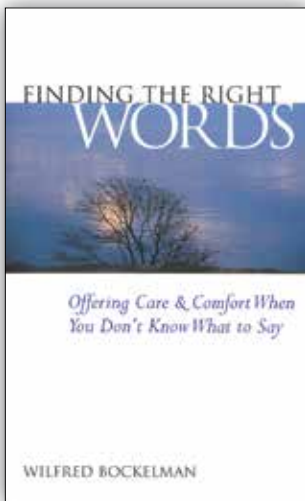
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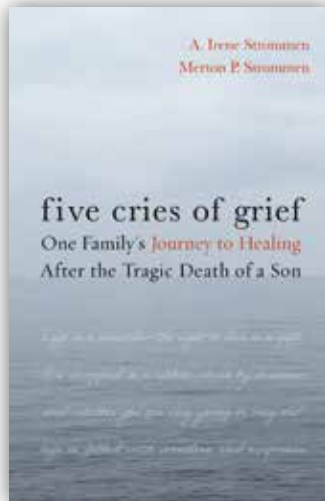


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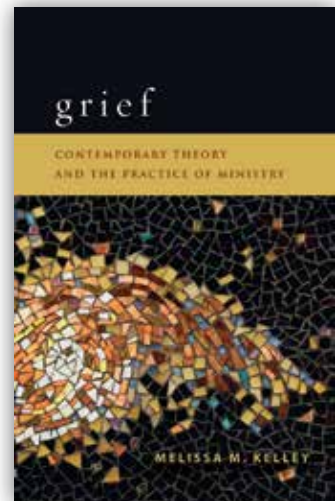
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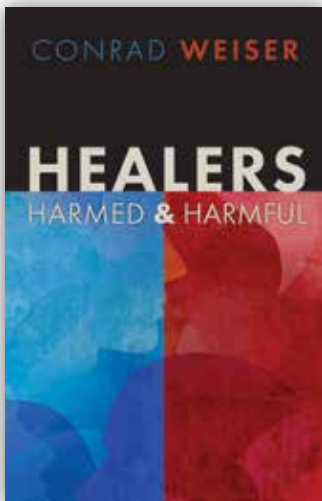
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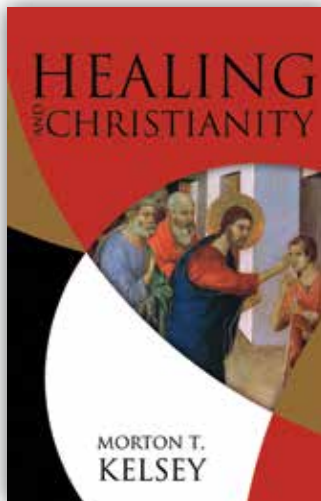
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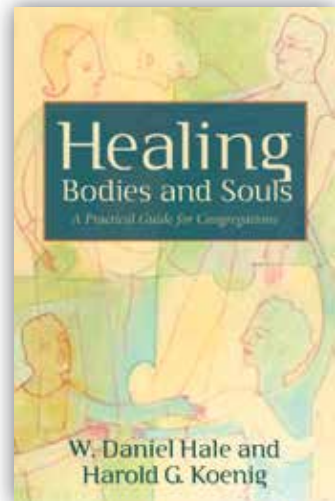
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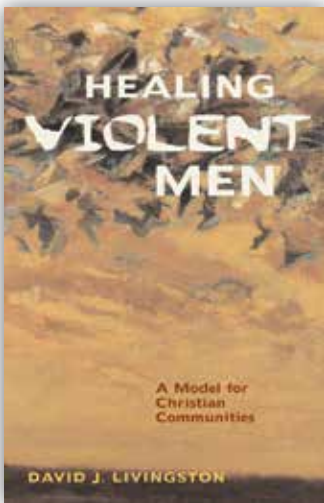
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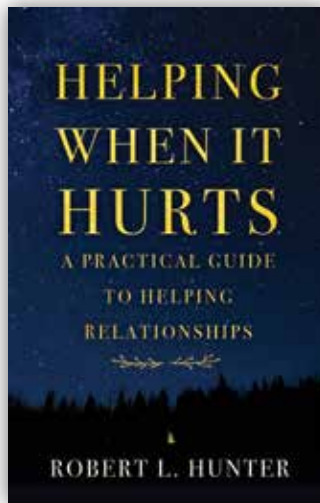
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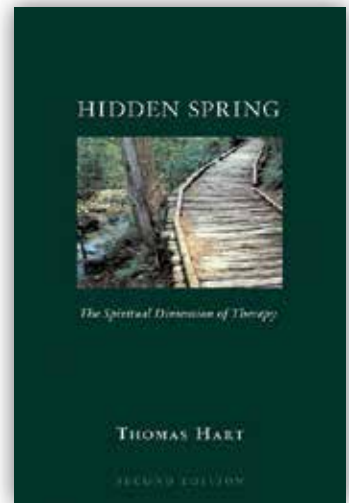
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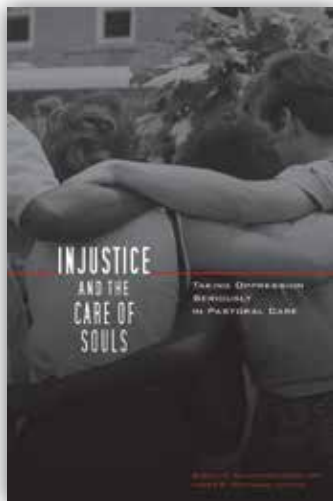
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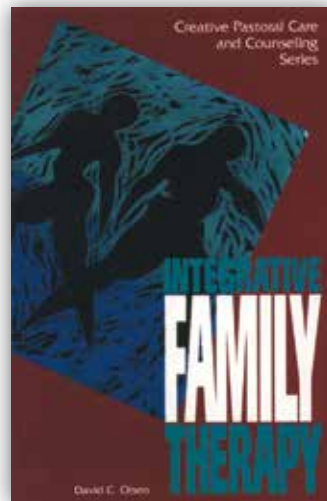
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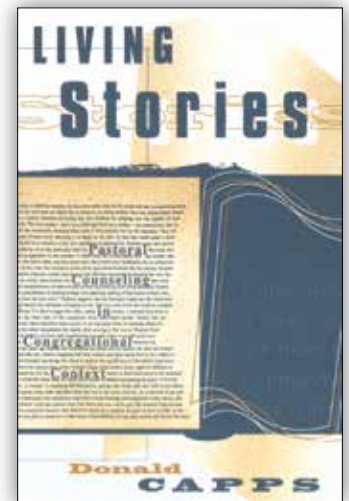
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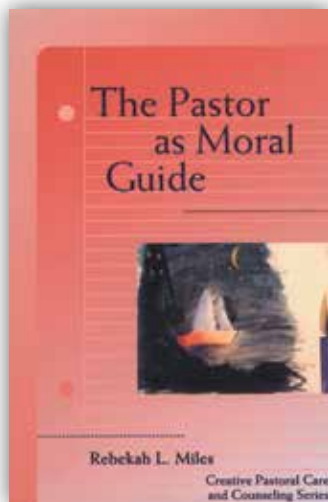
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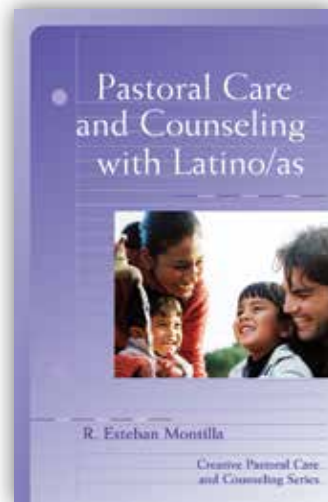
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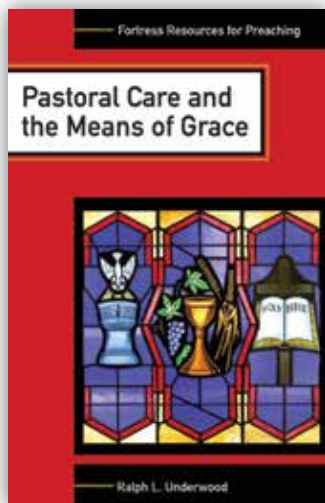
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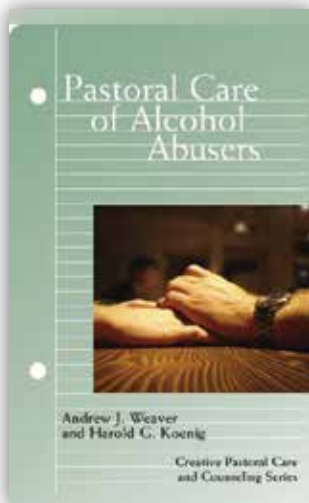
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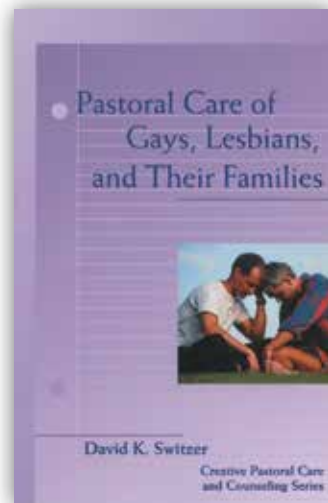
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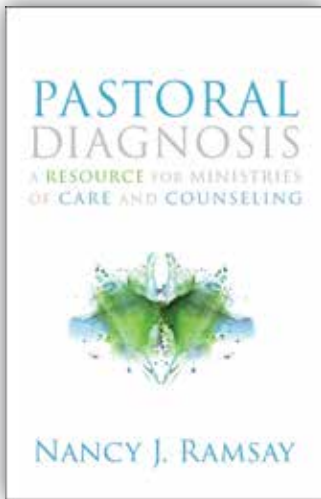
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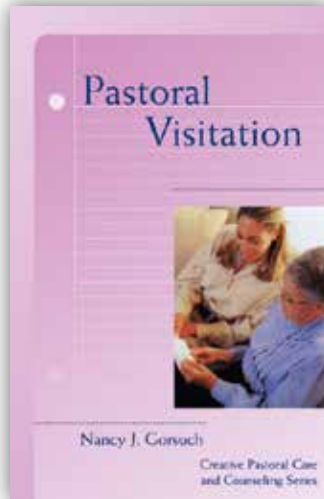
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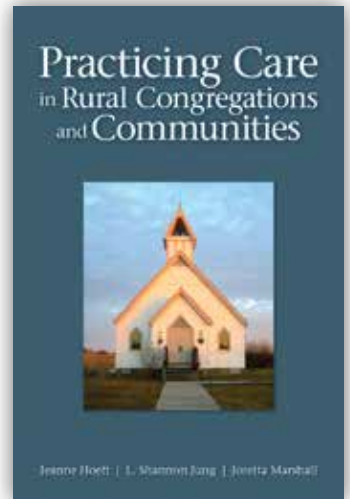
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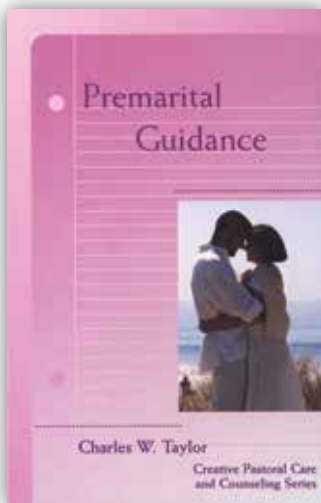
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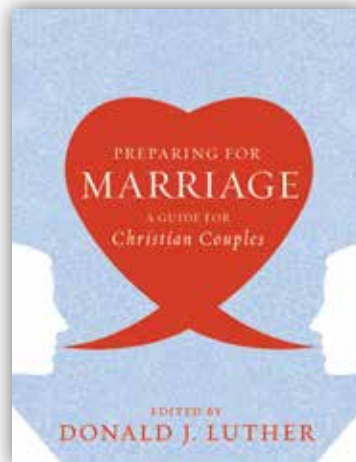
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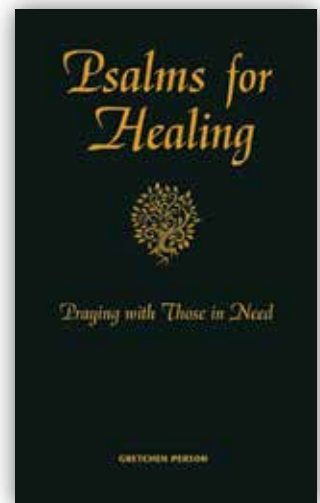
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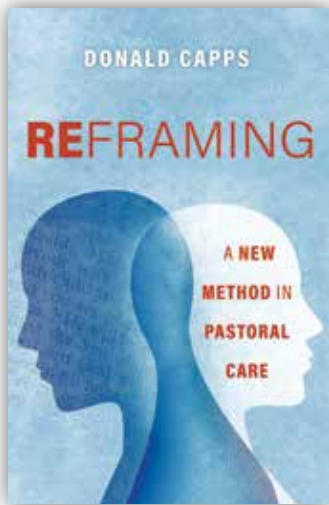
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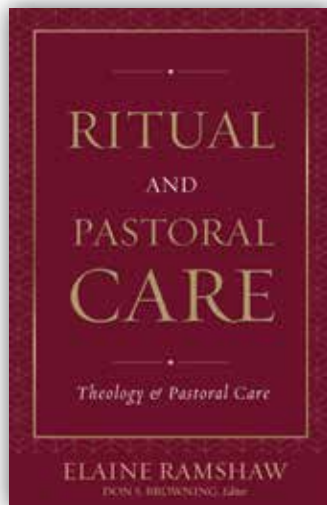
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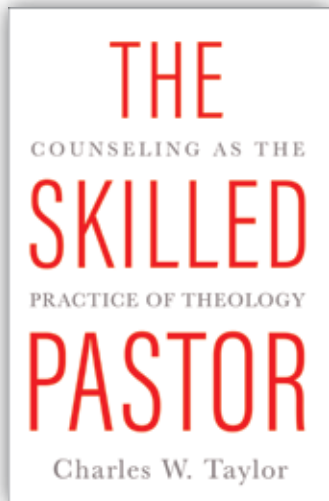
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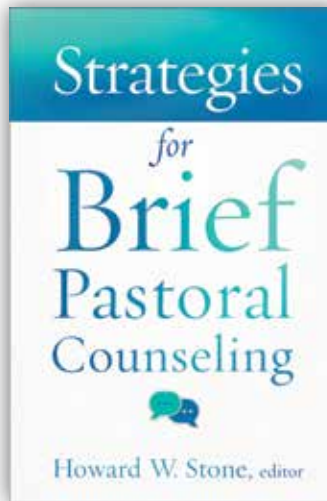
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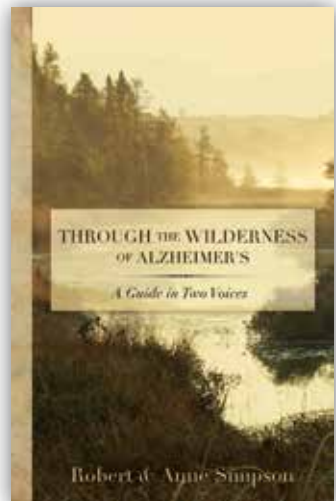
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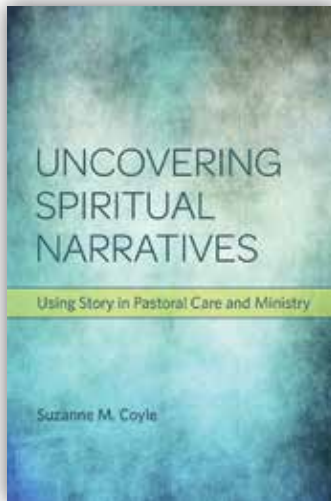
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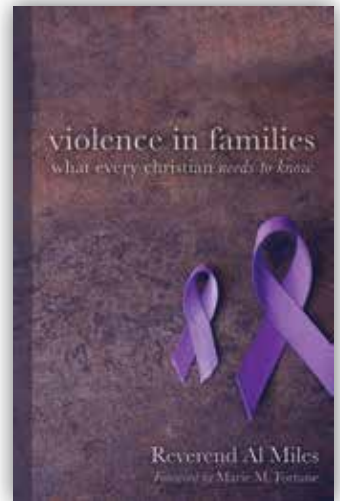
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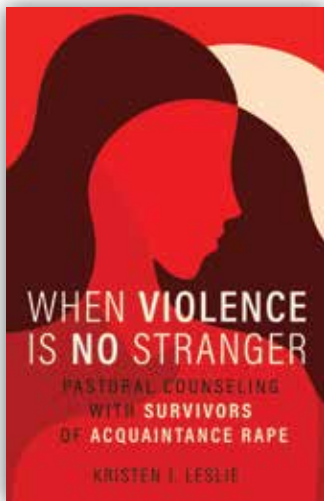
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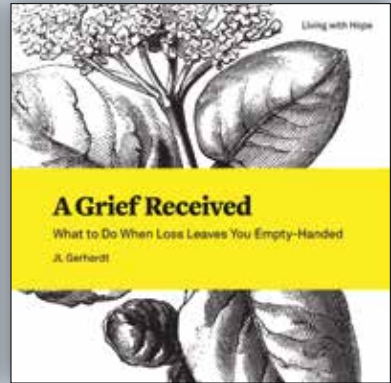
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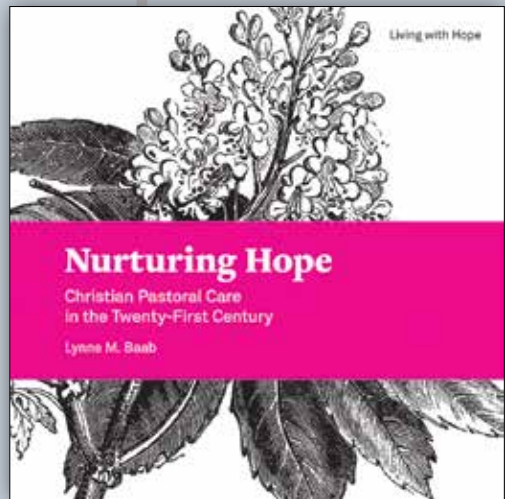
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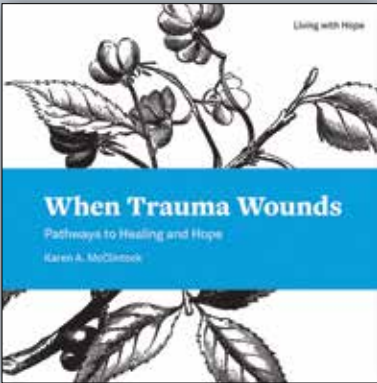
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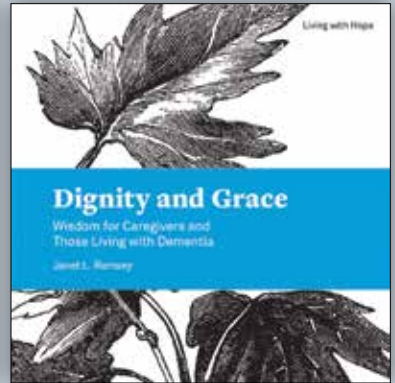


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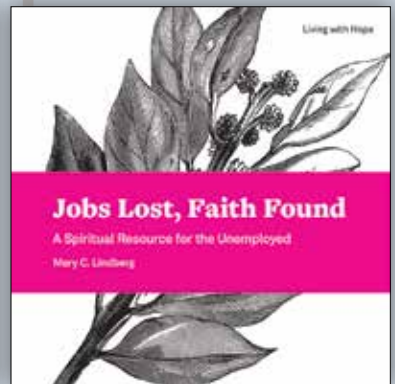
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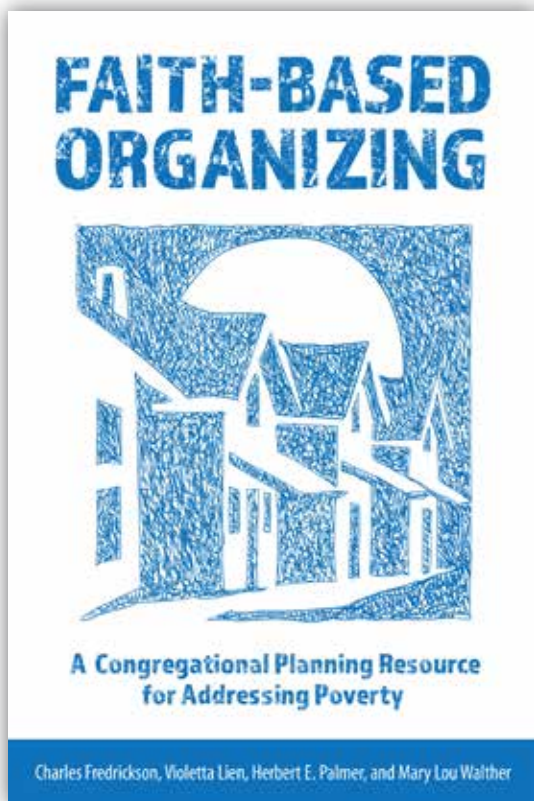
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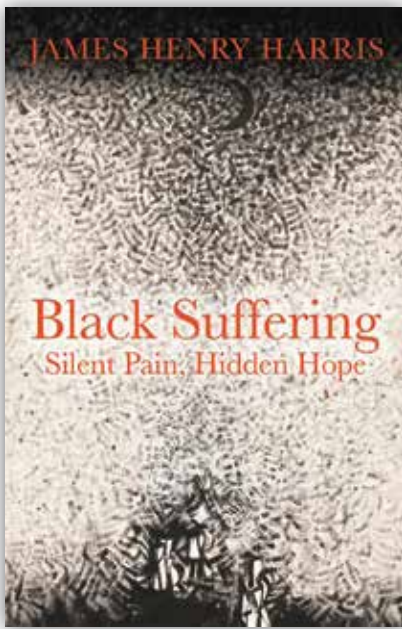
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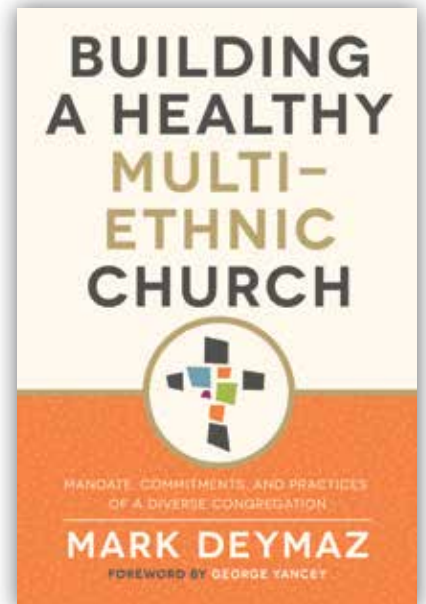
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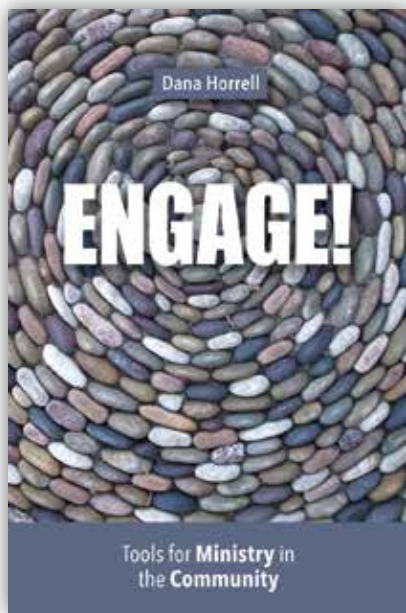
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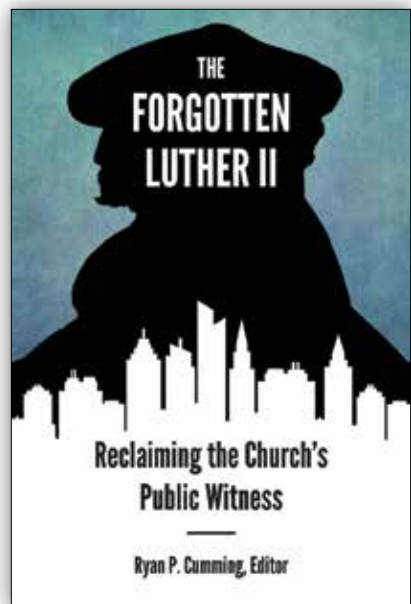
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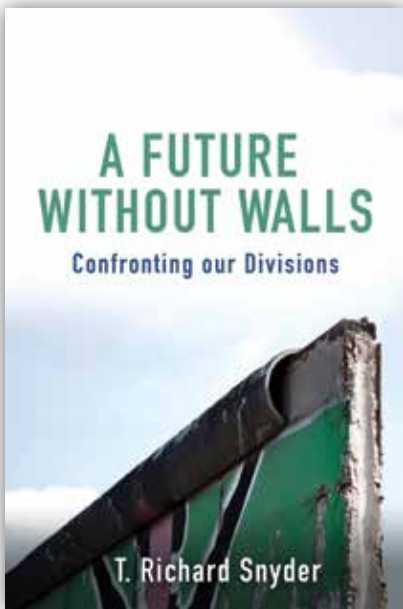
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Ryan P. Cumming is program director for hunger education with ELCA World Hunger. His area of research focuses on Christian social ethics, just war theory, and social justice.

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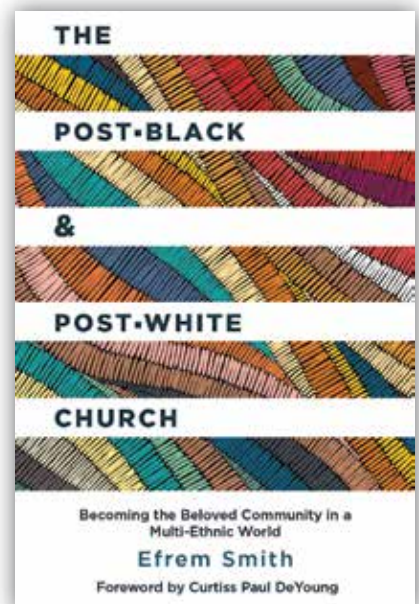
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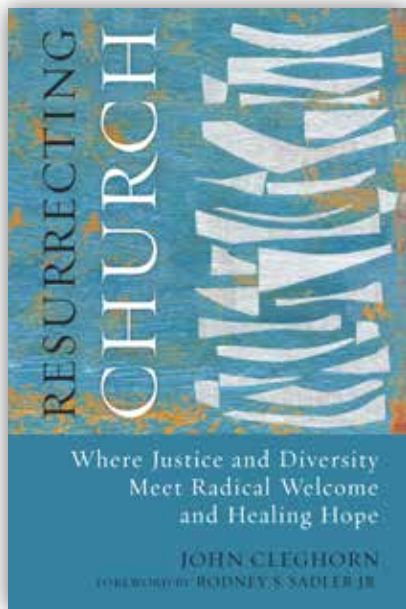
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Efrem Smith is the co-senior pastor of Bayside Church Midtown, located in Sacramento, California. He is also the co-owner of Influential LLC, a speaking, consulting, and coaching ministry, along with his wife, Donecia Norwood-Smith. He completed a doctor of ministry degree from Fuller Theological Seminary and was granted an honorary doctor of ministry degree from Ashland Theological Seminary. He is the author of *Raising Up Young Heroes; The Hip Hop Church; Jump: Into a Life of Further and Higher;* and *Killing Us Softly*.



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Rev. Dr. John Cleghorn is the head of staff at Caldwell Presbyterian, Charlotte, a congregation that has grown thirty-fold since almost closing its doors in 2008 and is now one of the PCUSA's most diverse, intersectional congregations. Caldwell Presbyterian Church is the author's first and only pastoral call. Prior to entering ministry, he was a senior vice president at Bank of America, where he served in a range of communications and policy roles over eighteen years. Before joining the bank, he was a reporter and columnist for the *Charlotte Observer* for six years, chiefly covering business.

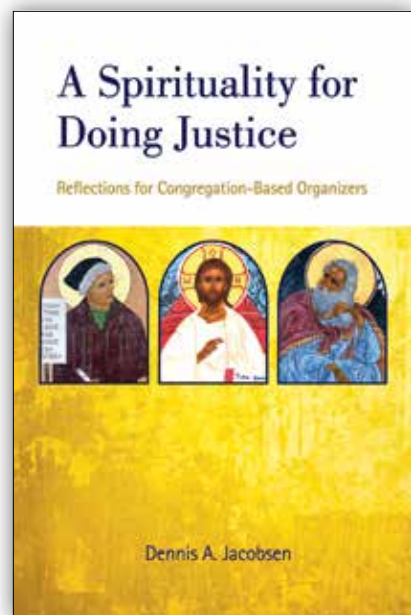
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Dennis Jacobsen pastor at Incarnation Lutheran Church in Milwaukee for twenty-six years and for twenty of those years was Director of the Gamaliel National Clergy Caucus, a network of over one thousand religious leaders. He is an active leader in MICAH (Milwaukee Inner-city Congregations Allied for Hope) and the author of *Doing Justice: Congregations and Community Organizing* (Fortress Press, 2001).



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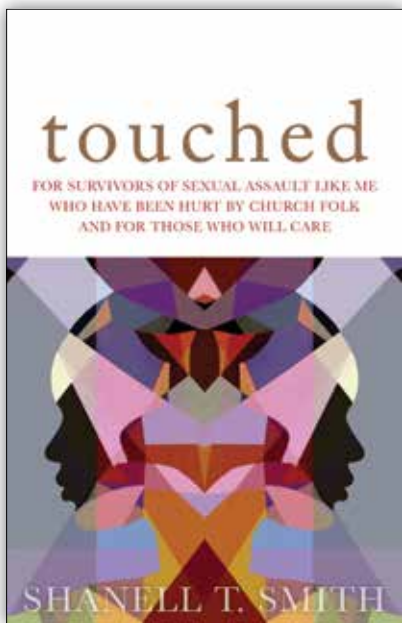
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Stephen Bouman served as a parish pastor in New York City and New Jersey, as bishop of the Metropolitan New York Synod, as Executive Director of Domestic Mission for the ELCA, and on the board of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.

Ralston Deffenbaugh served from 1991–2009 as president of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, one of the nation's leading agencies in welcoming and advocating for refugees and other immigrants.



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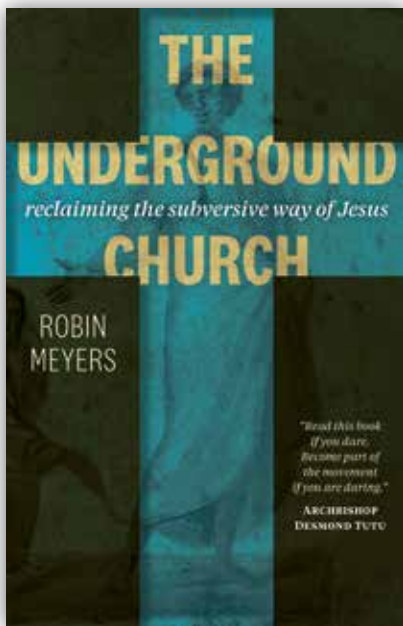
For Survivors of Sexual Assault Like Me Who Have Been Hurt by Church Folk and for Those Who Will Care

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Touched, by Shanell T. Smith, makes visible the often silenced or ignored narratives of survivors of sexual violence. It tells the author's story of her personal traumatic experience with sexual violence by a church leader and focuses on the responses that she received from people in the church (clergy and lay folk) once she "sounded the alarm." *Touched* helps readers learn how to respond to those who seek refuge and care.

The Reverend **Shanell T. Smith** is a teaching elder in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and associate professor of New Testament and Christian origins at Hartford Seminary in Connecticut. She is the author of *The Woman Babylon and the Marks of Empire* (Fortress Press, 2014), and contributor to *Handbook of Gender and Sexuality in the New Testament* (forthcoming). She lives in Hartford, Connecticut.



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The Underground Church proposes that the faithful recapture the spirit of the early church with its emphasis on what Christians do rather than what they believe. Prominent progressive writer, speaker, and minister Robin Meyers proposes that the best way to recapture the spirit of the early Christian church is to recognize that Jesus-following was and must be again *subversive* in the best sense of the word because the gospel taken seriously turns the world upside down.

Robin R. Meyers, PhD, has been senior minister of Mayflower Congregational UCC Church, Oklahoma City, for thirty-five years. He is Distinguished Professor of Social Justice Emeritus at Oklahoma City University, and the author of eight books on religion and culture, including the national bestseller, *Saving Jesus from the Church*, and the forthcoming title, *Saving God from Religion*. He is a columnist and a widely traveled lecturer on the merits of progressive Christianity, whose church is now the subject of an awarding-winning feature-length documentary entitled *American Heretics: The Politics of the Gospel*.

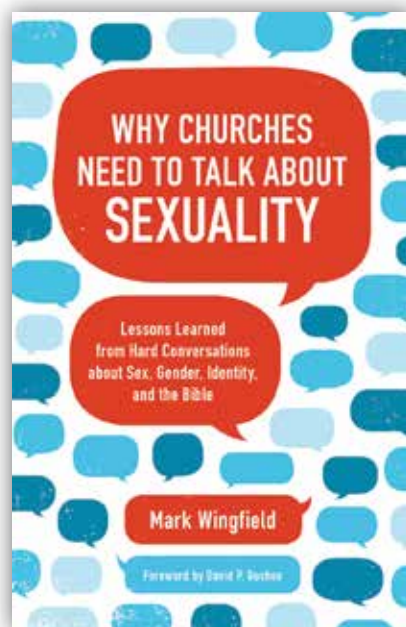
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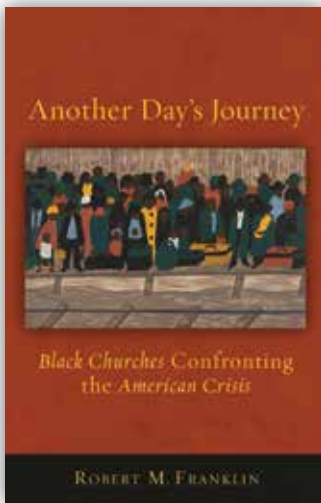
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Journalist and pastor Mark Wingfield describes how the congregation he serves undertook a study of how churches respond to the inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender members. *Why Churches Need to Talk about Sexuality* is for congregational leaders and others who want to understand the debates about human sexuality and who desire to follow a process to discuss the topic and make decisions about how congregations and individuals will respond to these issues.

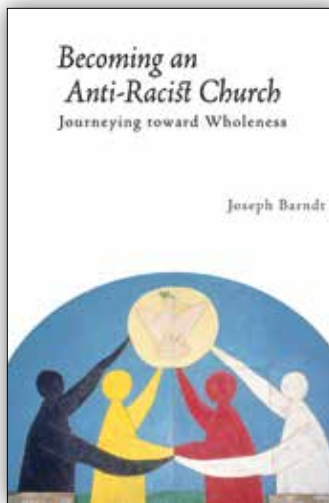
Mark Wingfield is a veteran religious journalist who draws upon his experience as a pastor to write about the intersection of faith and culture, theology and current issues. He is a nationally syndicated columnist and associate pastor of Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas.



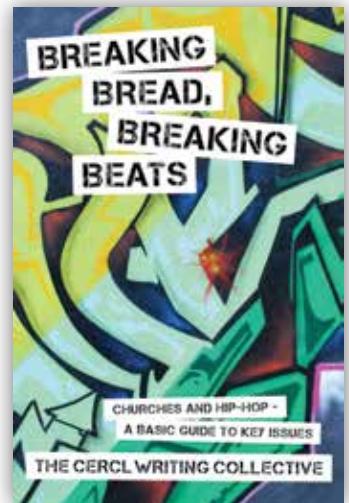
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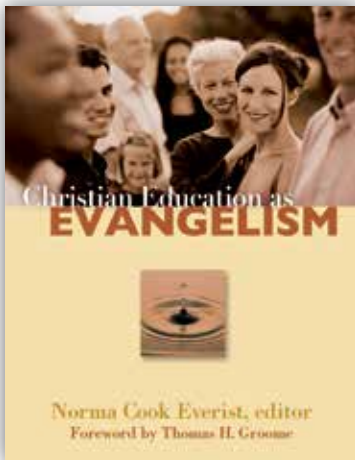
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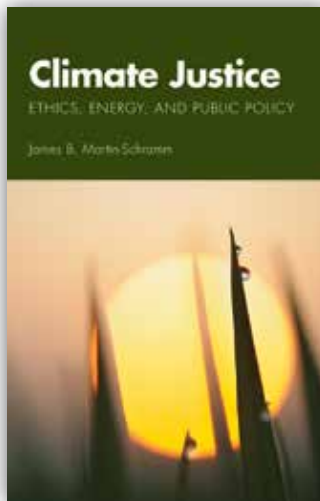
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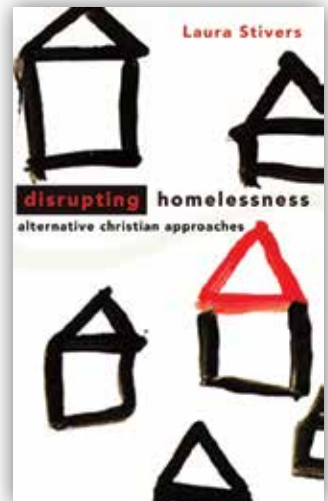
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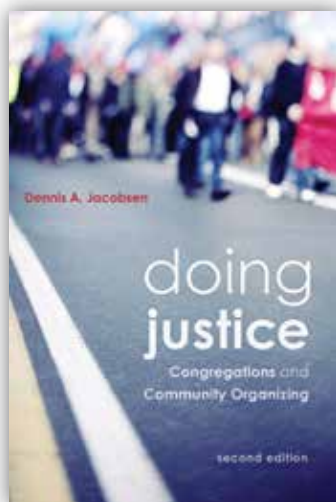
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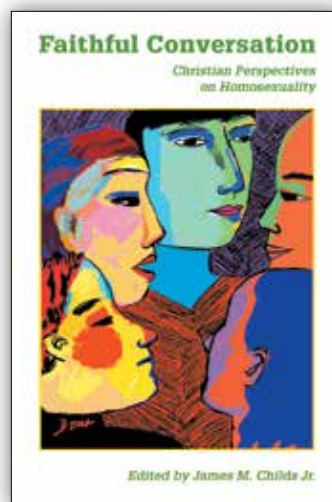
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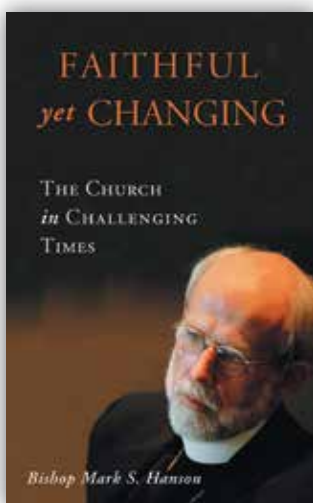
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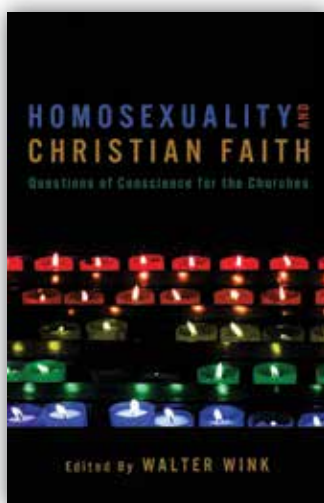
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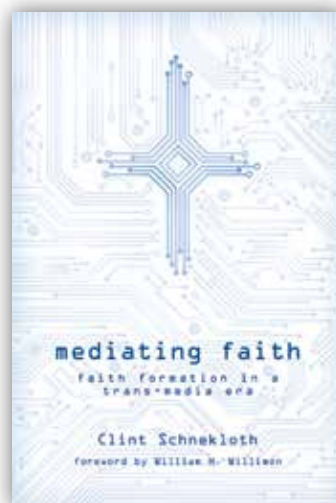
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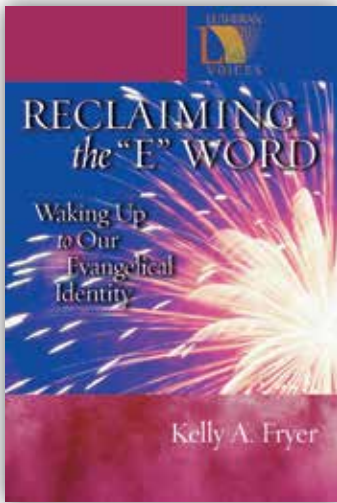
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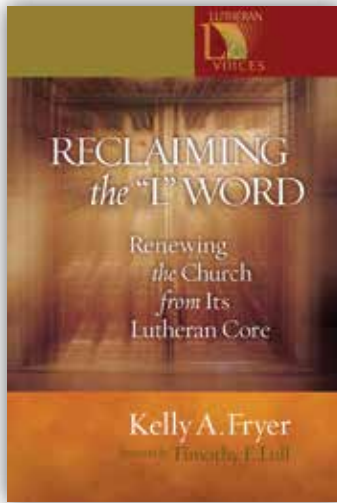
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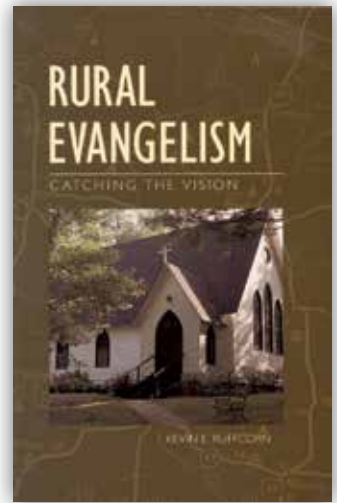
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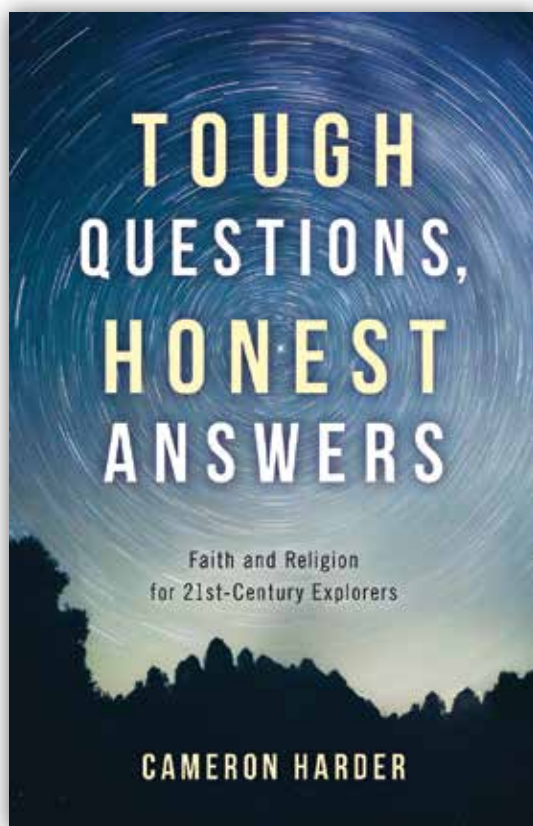
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Tough Questions, Honest Answers

Faith and Religion for 21st-Century Explorers

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Rebuilding Trust in the Way of Jesus

In *Tough Questions, Honest Answers*, Christian theologian Cameron Harder explores pressing contemporary challenges to religion—from religion itself to modern “big ideas” that often confound thoughtful seekers.

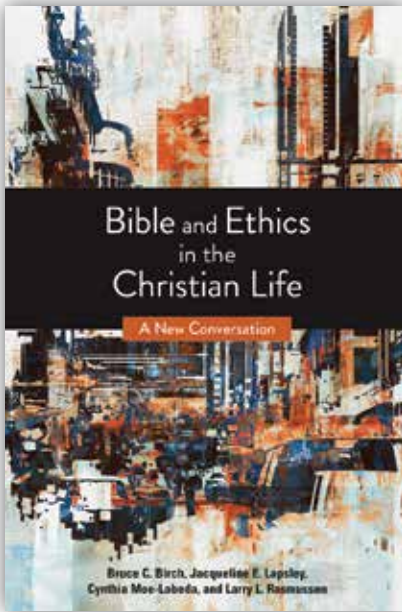
Asking, “Is it good to believe in God?” he examines some of the social costs and benefits of religious commitment. Issues addressed include religion and violence, religion and child sexual abuse, mystery and miracle, the compatibility of science and faith, and God’s role when bad things happen. Harder also reflects on whether there is room for faith and religion in the twenty-first century and shares his own reasons for claiming the Christian faith.

Tough Questions, Honest Answers is an excellent conversation starter for inquirers, skeptics, and faithful doubters. Young parents who are wondering how to nurture their child’s spirituality and older readers who want to rethink their faith in light of what they’ve learned about the world over the decades will appreciate Cameron Harder’s forthright, accessible discussion.

Harder strives in this book to be personally honest with the questions he raises, to push past common platitudes and propaganda others offer in response to them. He acknowledges, “I’m an explorer too—looking for a clearer view of what religion could be, and should not be, for my children and grandchildren.”

“Harder has written an open, honest, and accessible response to the tough questions of faith and religion in our time. It is a must-read for both the faith inquirer and the religious veteran seeking a contemporary understanding of the place of faith and religion in our lives and times. Read alone or in a group setting, *Tough Questions, Honest Answers* is a book many of us have been waiting for.” —**Lorne Calvert**, principal, St. Andrew’s College

“Harder unabashedly takes on some of the most important criticisms facing religion today, and with energy, grace, and humor invites people on the inside and outside of churches to reflect on the pluses and minuses of embracing and rejecting faith. It is a major contribution to dialogue between and within the pro-religious, low-religious, and no-religious sectors everywhere.” —**Reginald Bibby**, professor, University of Lethbridge



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Bruce C. Birch is dean and professor of biblical theology at Wesley Theological Seminary.

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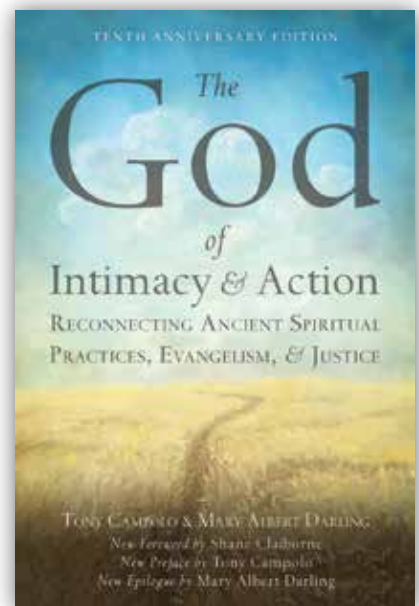
Reconnecting Ancient Spiritual Practices, Evangelism, and Justice

Tony Campolo and Mary Albert Darling

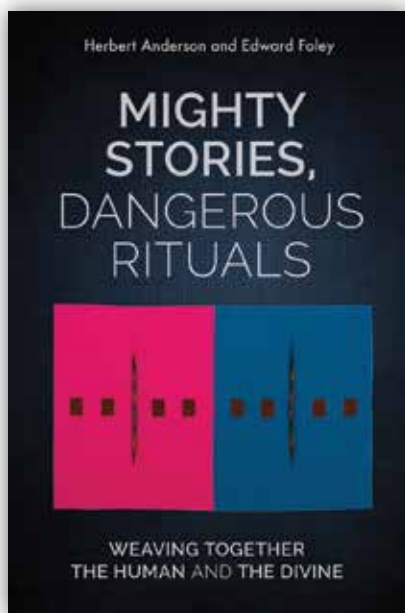
Acclaimed evangelical speaker Tony Campolo teams up with spiritual director and teacher Mary Albert Darling to reveal some gems from the liturgical Christian tradition to Protestants who may be ready for a refreshing change. The authors reclaim practices that have long been considered exclusively Catholic—including centering prayer, along with works by Ignatius Loyola and Catherine of Siena—as excellent spiritual tools to help evangelicals grow in faith and love for the poor.

Tony Campolo is professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern University. For forty years, he led the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education. More recently, Campolo has provided leadership for Red Letter Christians as well as for the Campolo Center for Ministry. He has written more than thirty-five books.

Mary Albert Darling is a professor whose teachings in communication, spiritual formation, and justice have taken her outside the United States to Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mary is a spiritual director trained in Ignatian spirituality, a certified Enneagram teacher, and coauthor of *Connecting Like Jesus*.



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Herbert Anderson and Edward Foley reveal how when stories and rituals work together, they have the potential to be both mighty and dangerous—mighty in their ability to lift us up and help us make connections beyond ourselves, and dangerous in challenging us to learn to live with complexity and contradiction.

Herbert Anderson is professor emeritus of pastoral theology at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where he was a colleague of Edward Foley.

Edward Foley is Duns Scotus Professor of Spirituality, professor of liturgy and music, and the founding director of the Ecumenical Doctor of Ministry Program at Catholic Theological Union.

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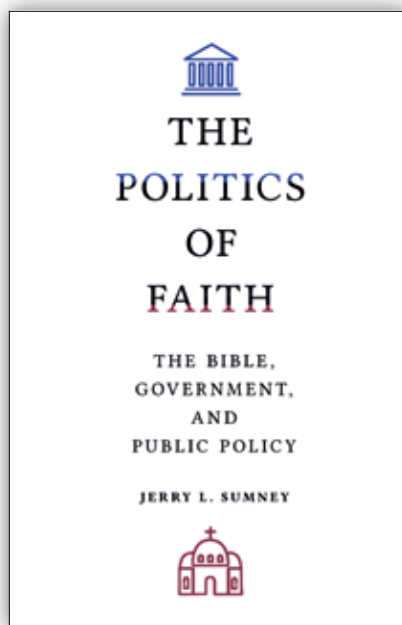
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The Bible, Government, and Public Policy

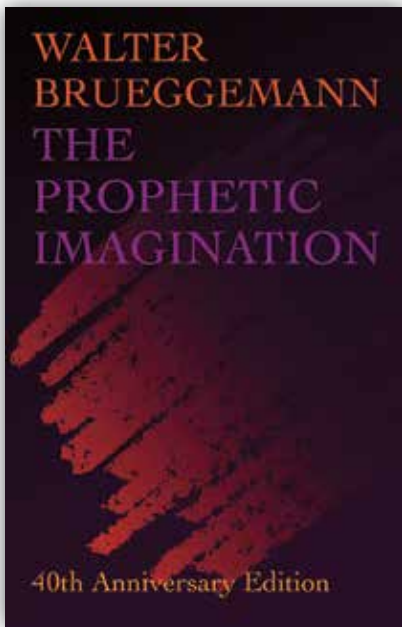
Jerry L. Sumney

The Politics of Faith speaks to Christians and others who seek to discuss the role of the Bible in their decisions about civic politics. This book will help readers talk about how a deeper understanding of Scripture can affect how one votes and the kinds of policies one supports. Each chapter ends with a set of questions for discussion that both review what is in the chapter and provoke discussion about faithful action.

Jerry L. Sumney is professor of biblical studies at Lexington Theological Seminary. He is the author of *Colossians: A Commentary* (2008) and *Identifying Paul's Opponents* (1990). He is also the editor of *Reading Romans* (2012) and the co-editor of *Theology and Ethics in Paul and His Interpreters* (1996) and *Paul and Pathos* (2006).



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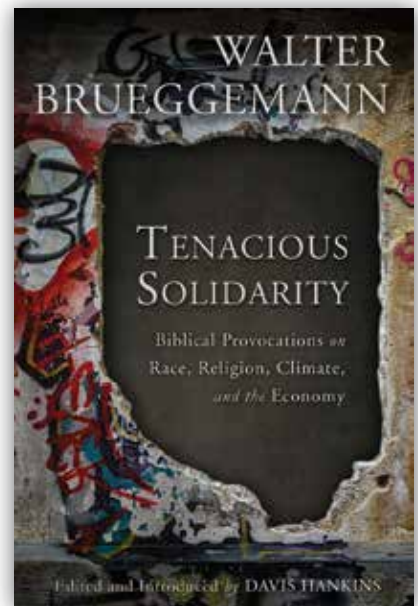
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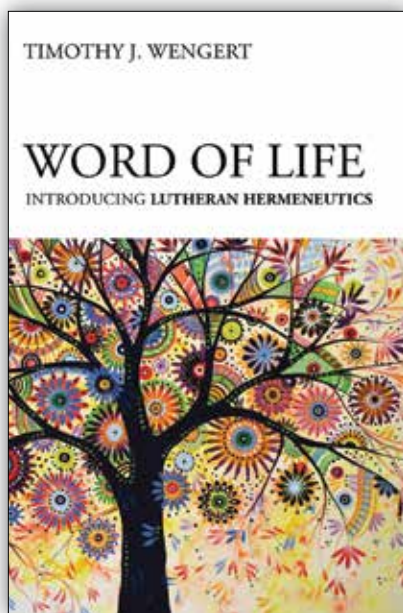
Tenacious Solidarity features essays and new writings from 2014 to 2018. The author brings the “transformative potential” of the biblical texts to bear on critical contemporary contexts, including but not limited to economic disparities, racial injustice and white supremacy, climate and care for creation, the power of memory and mentoring, and his insights on best practices for interpreting the Hebrew Bible texts.

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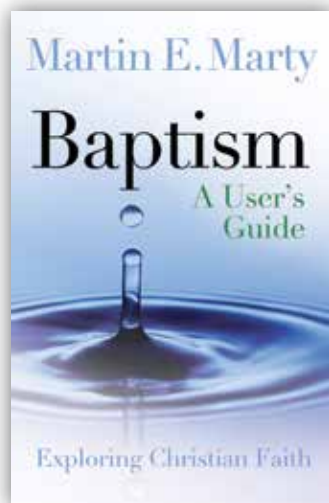
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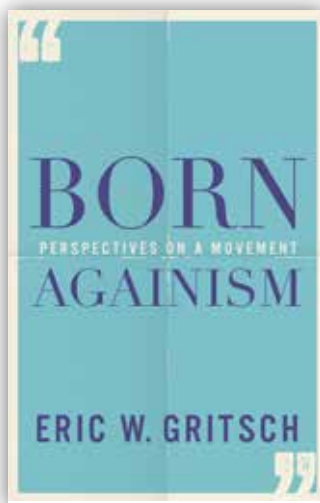
Timothy J. Wengert

Timothy J. Wengert explores the genesis of Lutheran biblical interpretation by tracing the early work and methods of Martin Luther and other Wittenberg exegetes. Their new approach led them to view Scripture in terms they called “law and gospel,” to read and translate the Greek and Hebrew texts, and to focus on a theology of the cross and justification by faith. Wengert then demonstrates how these approaches can be used in preaching and teaching today.

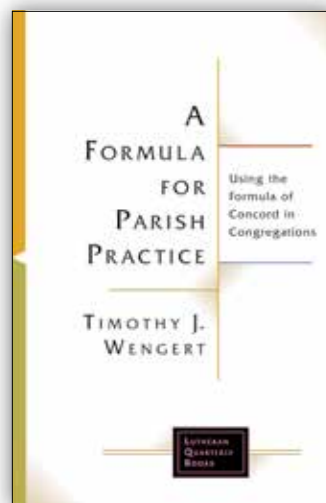
Timothy J. Wengert is emeritus professor of church history at the United Lutheran Seminary. A parish pastor for seven years in Minnesota and Wisconsin with a doctorate from Duke University, he taught on Philadelphia’s faculty from 1989 to 2013. He has written extensively on the Reformation, was coeditor of the English edition of *The Book of Concord* (Fortress, 2000) and translated *Luther’s Small Catechism*, used throughout the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. In addition to books on Philipp Melancthon and Martin Luther, he coauthored with Susan Wood a book on Lutheran/Roman Catholic relations, *Shared Spiritual Journey* (2016), and currently serves on the US Lutheran/Roman Catholic dialogue. He lives in Long Valley, New Jersey.



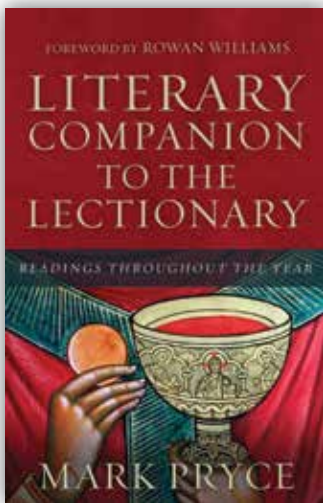
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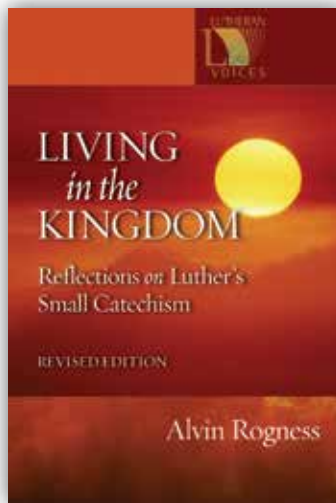
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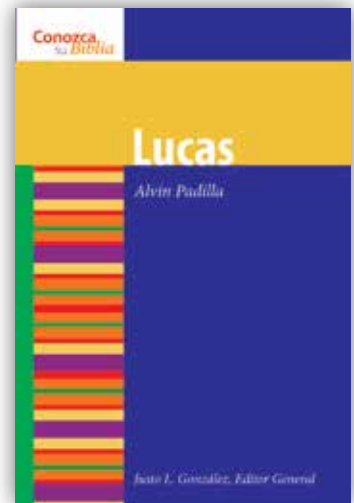
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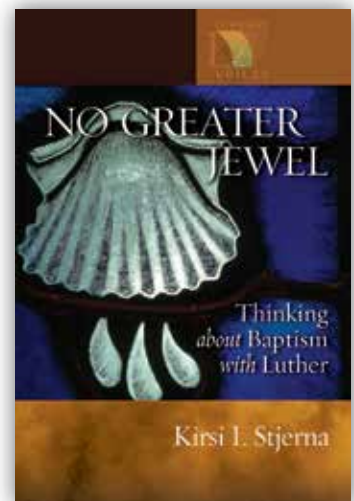
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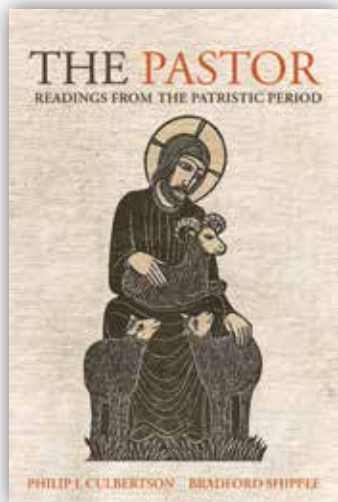
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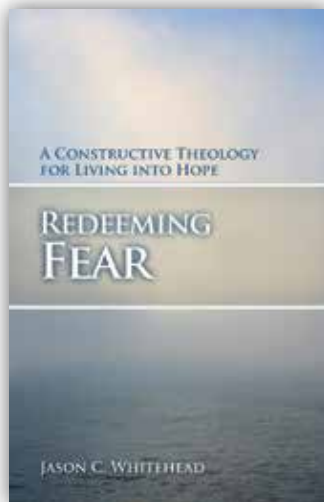
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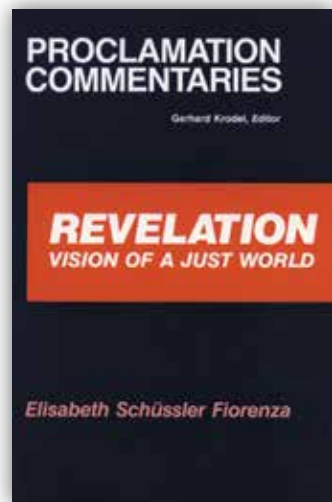
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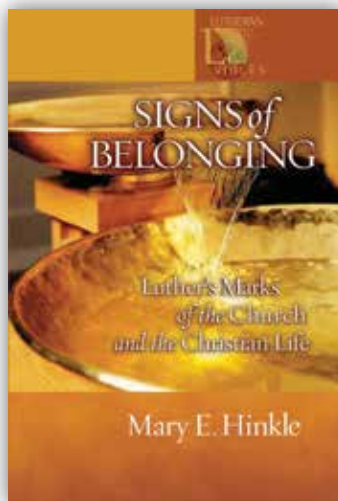
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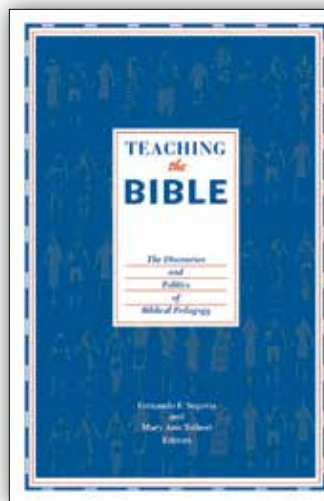
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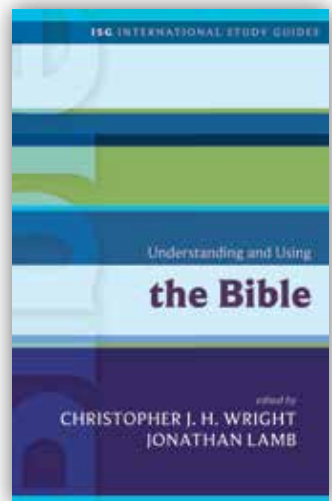
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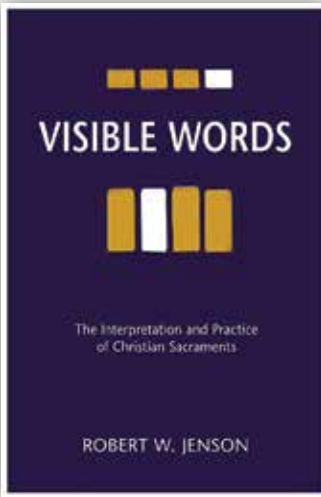
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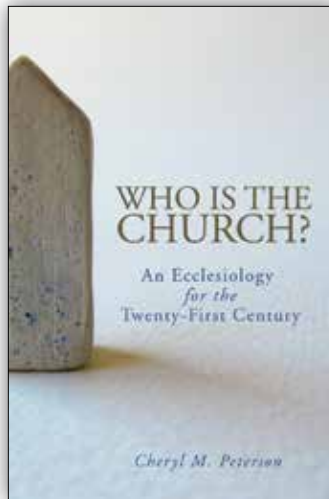


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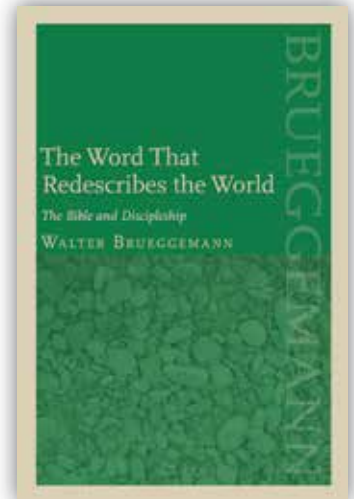
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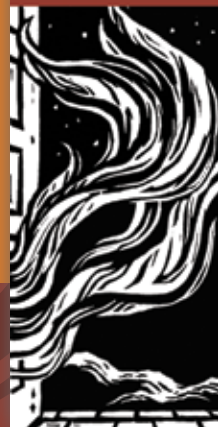
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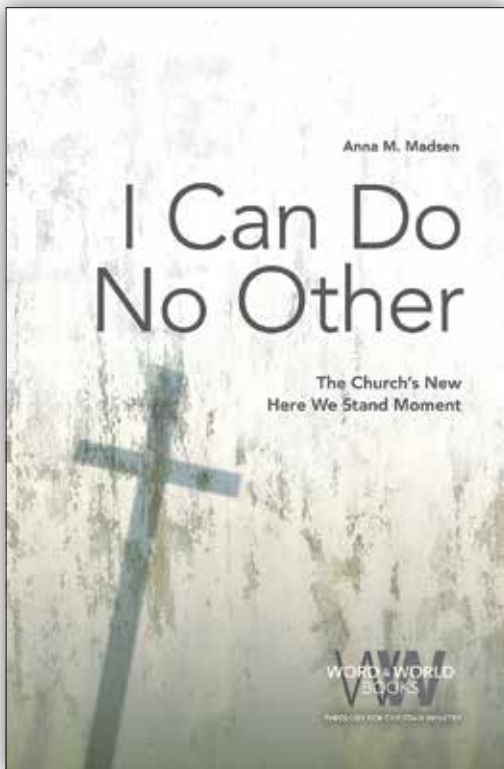
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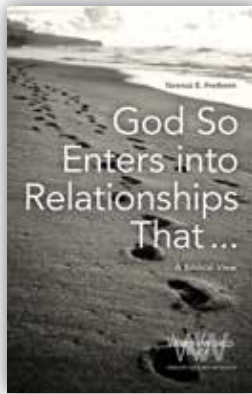


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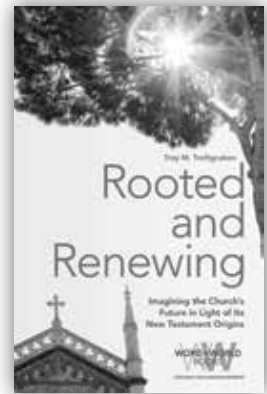


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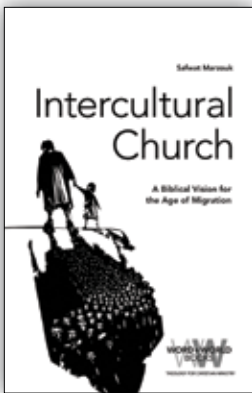


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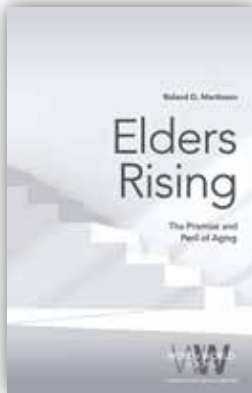


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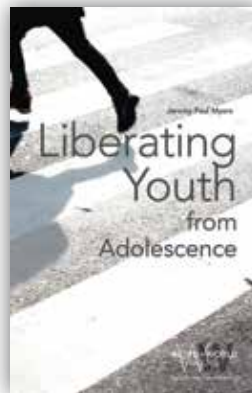


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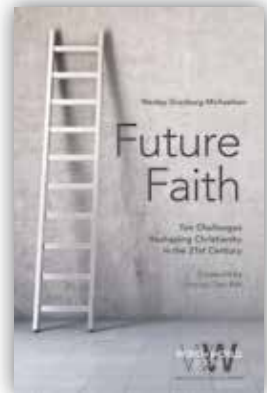
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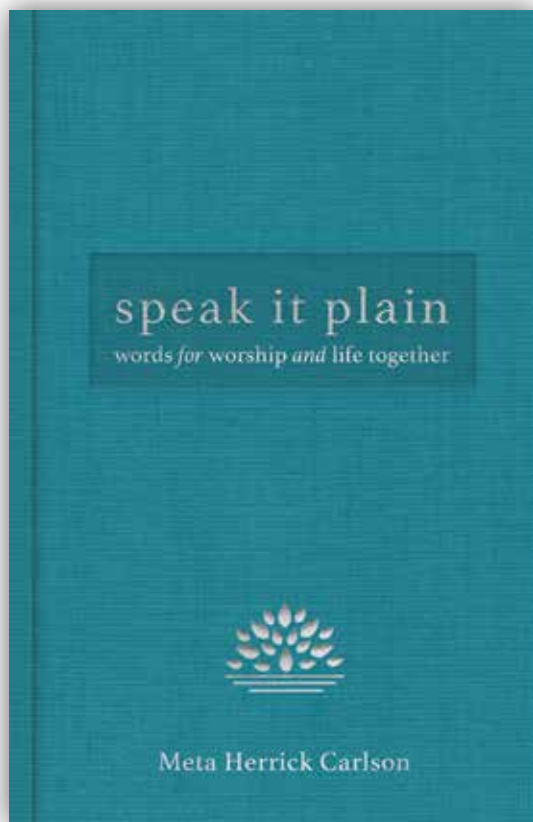


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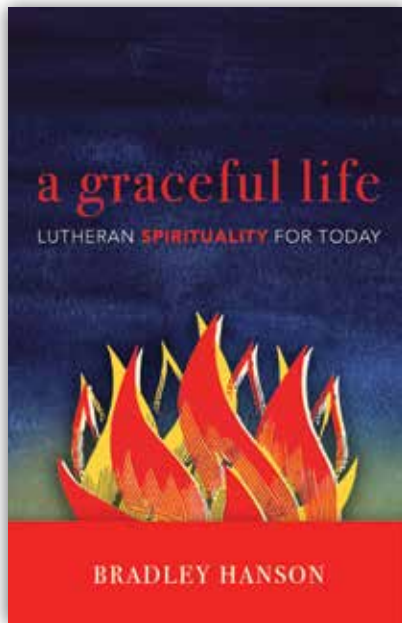
Meta Herrick Carlson is a pastor and writer passionate about building connections and courage in liminal spaces. Her theology has been influenced by work with recovery communities and survivors of sexual violence. Meta serves Bethlehem Lutheran Church Twin Cities as the campus pastor and redeveloper at the Minnetonka campus. She is a co-creator of the podcast *Alter Guild* and author of *Ordinary Blessings: Prayers, Poems, and Meditations for Everyday Life* (Fortress, 2020). She lives in Minneapolis with her husband and three loud, sticky kids.

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Bradley Hanson is professor emeritus of religion at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa.

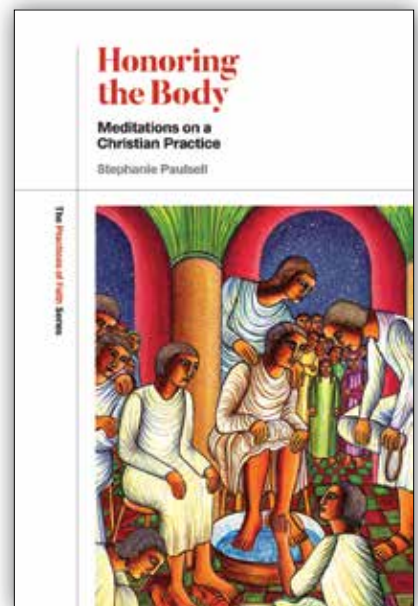
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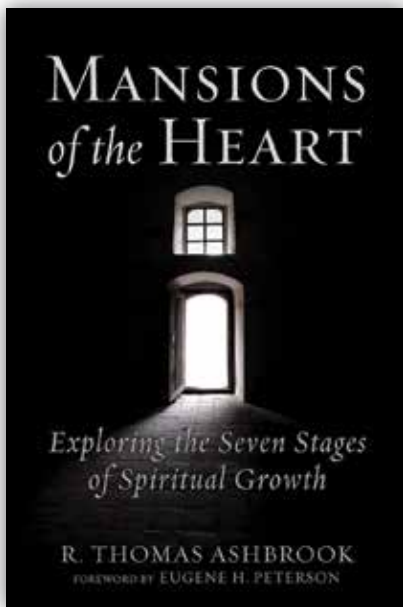
In *Honoring the Body*, Stephanie Paulsell speaks to those who have ever wondered how to celebrate the body's pleasures and protect the body's vulnerabilities in a world that seems confused about both. What we need, she shows, are practices that honor the body. Paulsell invites readers to explore how we might honor the body in daily activities, seeking wisdom from Scripture, history, and contemporary experience, in story and song and poetry.

Stephanie Paulsell is the Susan Shallcross Swartz Professor of the Practice of Christian Studies at Harvard Divinity School. She is a columnist for *The Christian Century*, author of a forthcoming book on Virginia Woolf and religion, and coauthor of *Lamentations and the Song of Songs: A Theological Commentary* (2012). She is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).



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R. Thomas Ashbrook has served as the founder and team leader for the past fifteen years of Church Resource Ministries' international spiritual formation ministry, the Order of *Imago Christi*. He develops spiritual-formation resources and coaches Christian leaders and churches to live and lead with a spiritual authority grounded in loving intimacy with Jesus.

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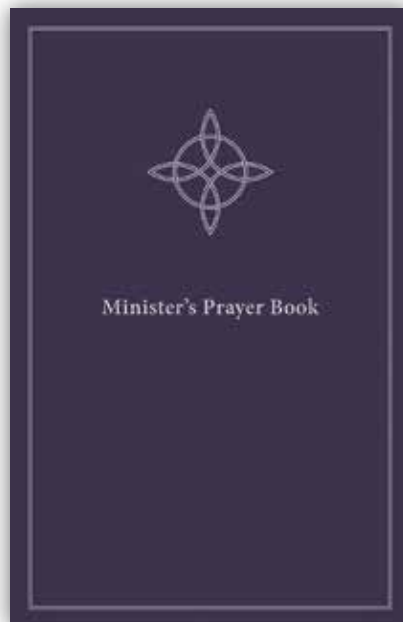
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Timothy J. Wengert is emeritus professor of church history at the United Lutheran Seminary.

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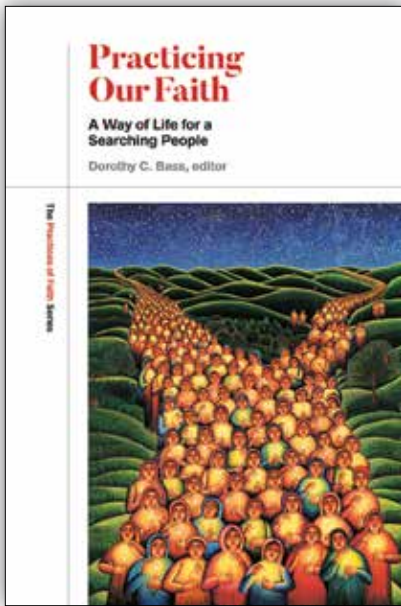
Chris Halverson is the pastor of St. Stephen Lutheran Church in South Plainfield, New Jersey.

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Dorothy C. Bass is a practical theologian and church historian. During twenty-five years as director of the Valparaiso Project on the Education and Formation of People in Faith, a Lilly Endowment project supporting the renewal of Christian theology and life, she wrote, edited, or co-edited more than a dozen books. She has spoken widely on vocation and spirituality.

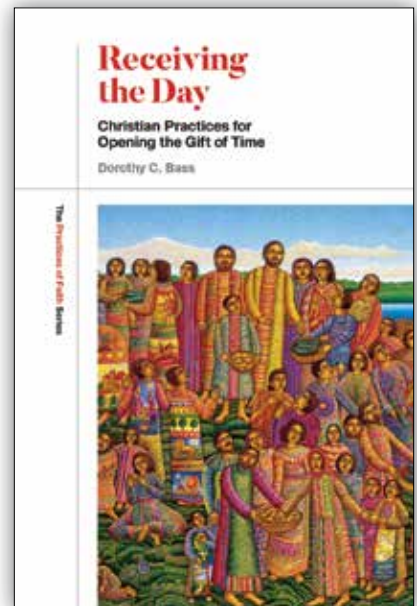
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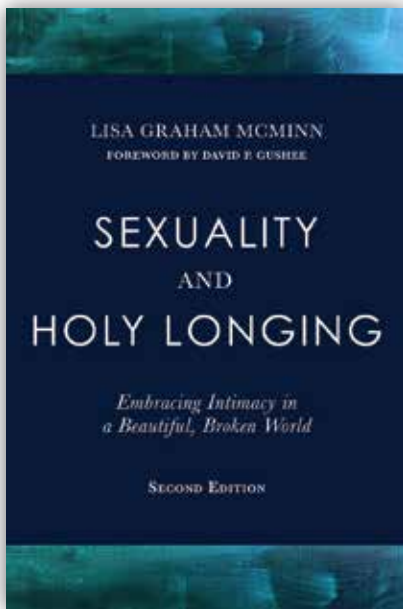
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In *Receiving the Day*, Dorothy C. Bass shows how Christian practices for rest and worship continually welcome us into a way of life attuned to the love of God, neighbor, earth, and self. Through them, we can learn to dwell more graciously, attentively, and faithfully within the hours and days we have and to share the gift of time with others.

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Lisa Graham McMinn is currently a writer in residence at George Fox University. Her other books include *To the Table* (2016), *The Contented Soul* (2006), and *Growing Strong Daughters* (2000). She also describes herself as a farmer, Quaker, beekeeper, and sometimes potter, whose job is to love God's creation—to laugh, hope, nurture, and mostly, to pay attention.

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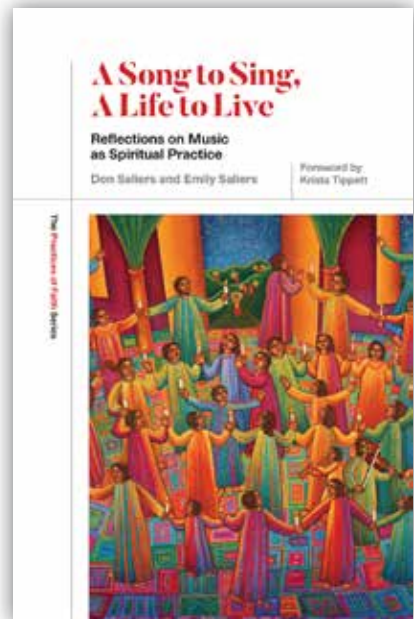
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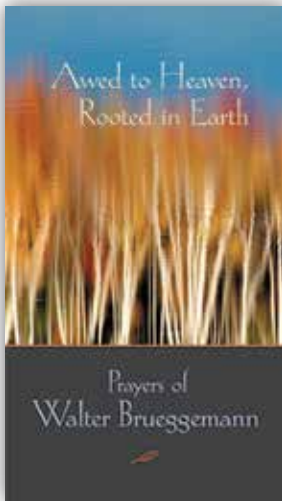
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Don Saliers is theologian-in-residence at Candler School of Theology at Emory University. An accomplished musician and scholar of liturgics, he is the author of fifteen books.

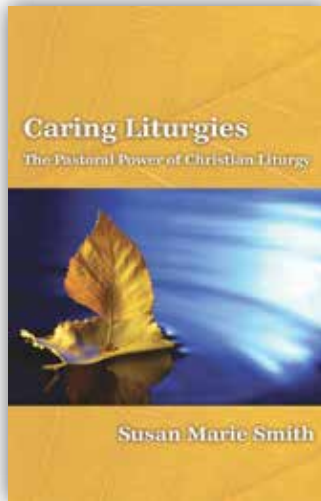
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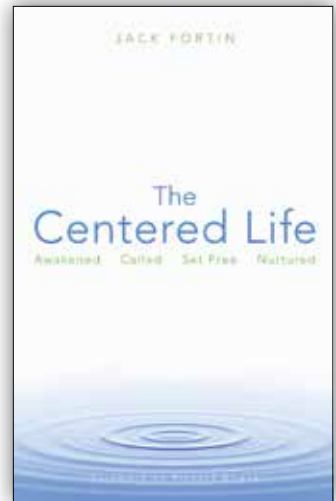
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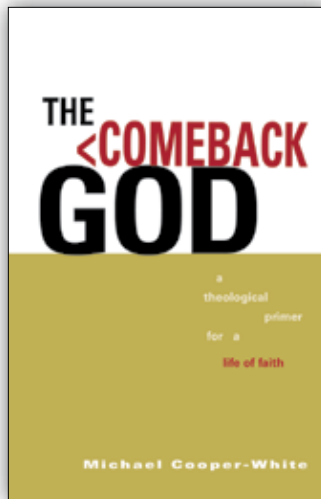
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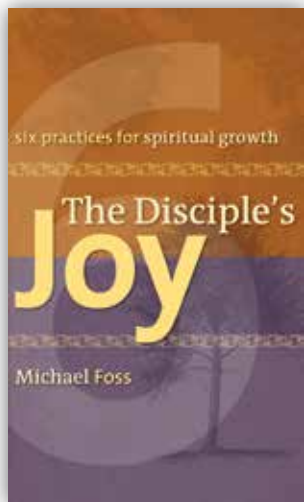
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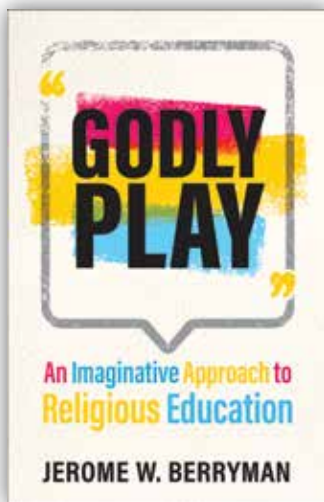
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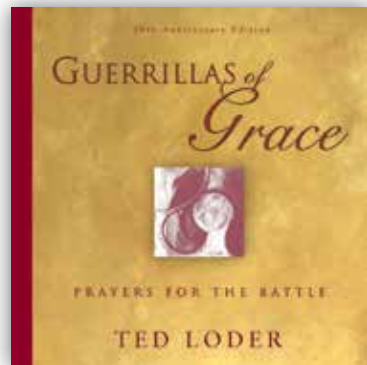
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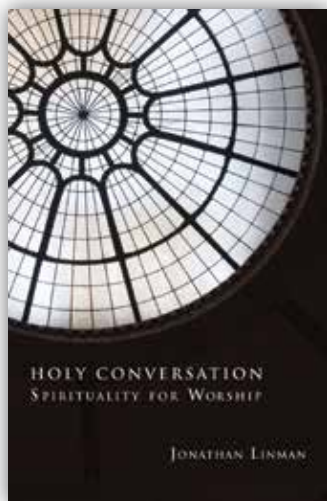
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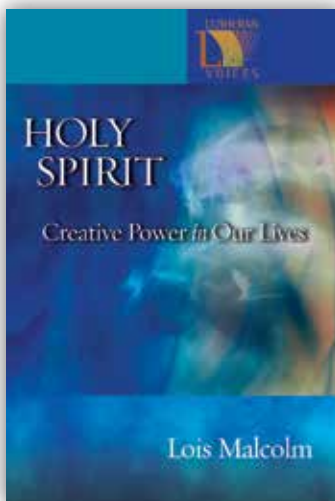
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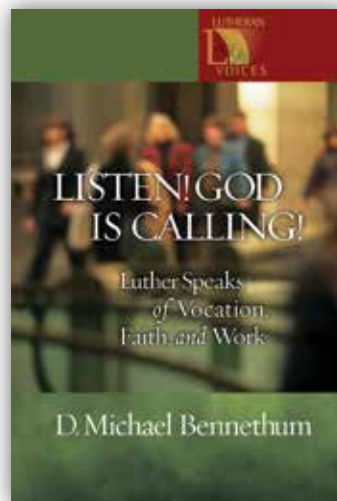
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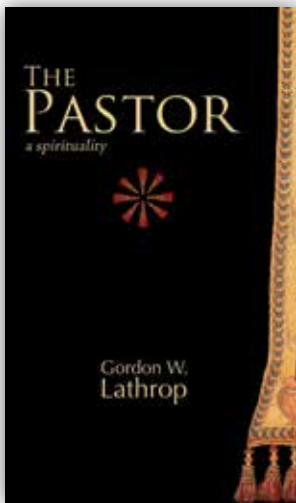
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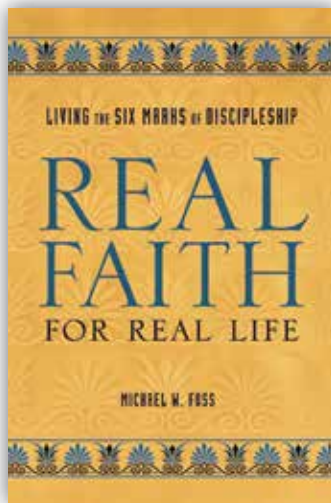
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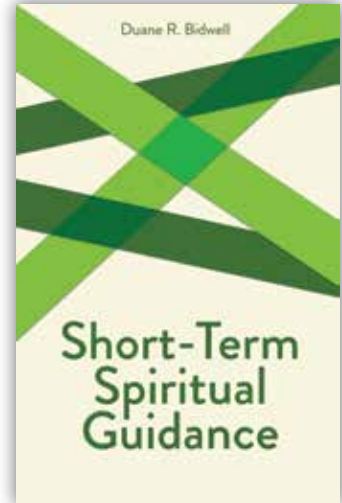
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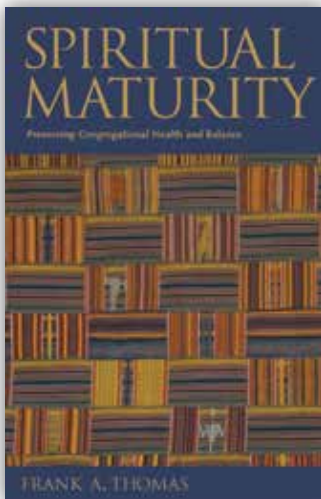
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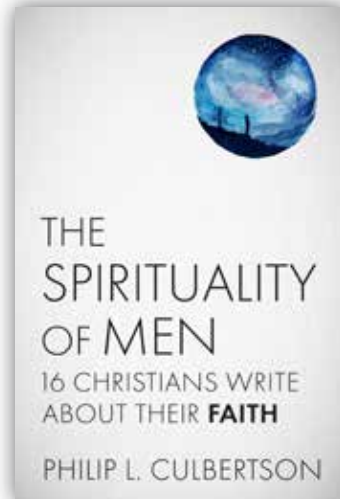
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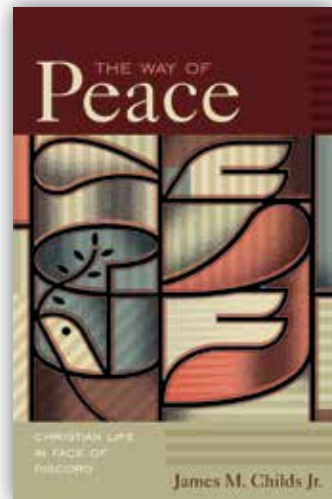
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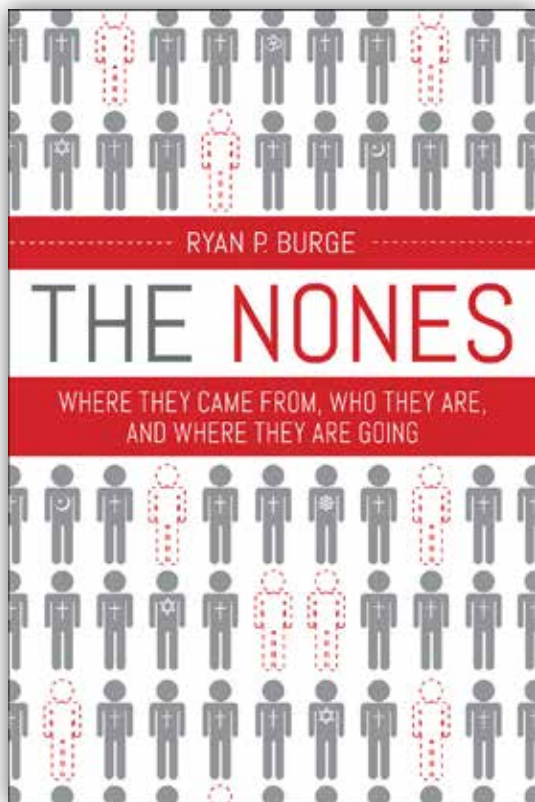
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Where They Came From, Who They Are, and Where They Are Going

Ryan P. Burge

Why the nones are growing, and what that means for the future of Christianity

In *The Nones*, Ryan P. Burge details a comprehensive picture of an increasingly significant group—Americans who say they have no religious affiliation.

The growth of the nones in American society has been dramatic. In 1972, just 5 percent of Americans claimed “no religion” on the General Social Survey. In 2018, that number rose to 23.7 percent, making the nones as numerous as both evangelical Protestants and Roman Catholics. Every indication is that the nones will be the largest religious group in the United States in the next decade.

Burge illustrates his precise but accessible descriptions with charts and graphs drawn from over a dozen carefully curated datasets, some tracking changes in American religion over a long period of time, others large enough to allow a statistical deep dive on subgroups such as atheists and agnostics. Burge also draws on data that tracks how individuals move in and out of religion over time, helping readers understand what type of people become nones and what factors lead an individual to return to religion.

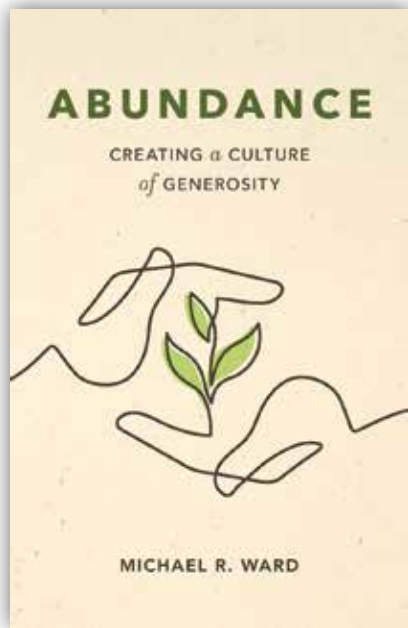
The Nones gives readers a nuanced, accurate, and meaningful picture of the growing number of Americans who say they have no religious affiliation. Burge explains how this rise happened, who the nones are, and what they mean for the future of American religion.

“For pastors and church leaders it is important that we steward well our understanding and use of statistics, especially when it comes to understanding and explaining the rise of the Nones. In this most helpful book, *The Nones*, Ryan Burge provides an aerial view of the American religious landscape as well as an amplified view of the rise of the Nones—America’s fastest growing demographic. When you’re finished reading this book, you will see the American religious landscape as it is—not as you think it is.”

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Michael R. Ward, CFRE (Certified Fund Raising Executive), has served as a parish pastor and a Vice President of Advancement, and is now a partner with Gronlund, Sayther, Brunkow Fundraising. He is currently doing full-time stewardship work for churches, camps, social-ministry organizations, synods, and other church-affiliated institutions. His passions include strategic planning, fundraising, and board development. He lives in Fletcher, North Carolina.

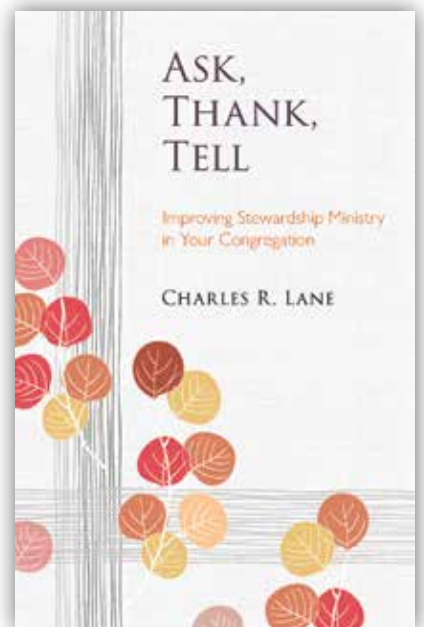
Ask, Thank, Tell

Improving Stewardship Ministry in Your Congregation

Charles Lane

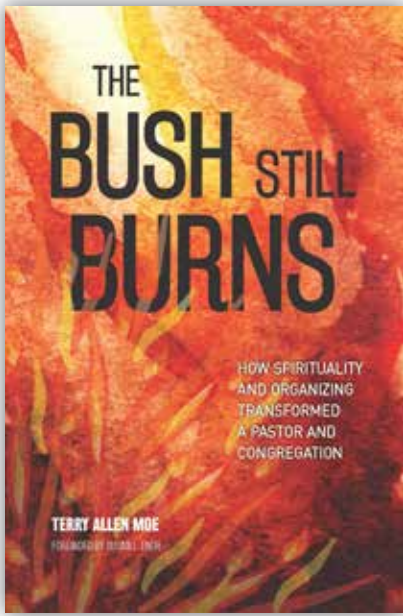
When the Bible talks about stewardships, it almost always talks about the intimate connection between how a person handles financial matters and that person's relationship with God. Stewardship is an intensely spiritual matter that lies close to a disciple's relationship with Jesus. The book is designed especially for use in congregational planning and study. The author makes the convincing case that there is little in life today that can help a disciple grow in relationship with Jesus more than a solid intentional biblical stewardship.

Charles Lane serves as pastor for stewardship and generosity at Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Maple Grove, Minnesota. Previously, he served as director of the Center for Stewardship Leaders at Luther Seminary, director for Stewardship Leaders in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, assistant to the bishop in the Northwestern Minnesota Synod of the ELCA, and pastor of three congregations, one in Pennsylvania and two in Minnesota.



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Terry Allen Moe, is a pastor, leader, and organizer. He served as pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Portland, Oregon, for over thirty years. He recently served as Director of Transformational Leadership, IAF Northwest (2013-2018), and previously as leader for the Portland Organizing Project (1985-2002) and with the Congregation Based Organizing Team at ELCA Churchwide (2000-2007). He holds a Doctor of Ministry degree from Wesley Theological Seminary.

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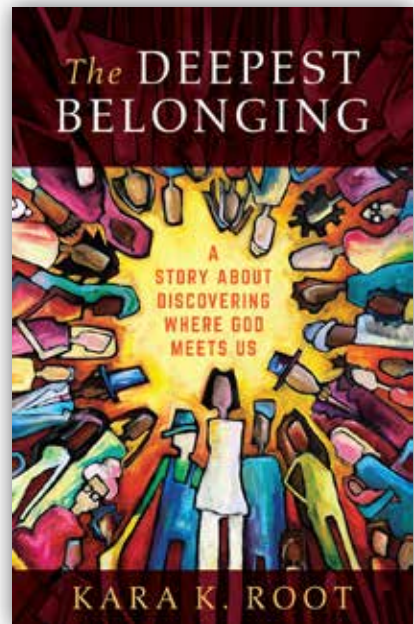
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A Story about Discovering Where God Meets Us

Kara K. Root

This book is for all pastors and church leaders, as well as for those disillusioned with Christianity and the church and longing for something more real and honest. *The Deepest Belonging* is a call not to resist but to embrace our vulnerability. As a move away from religion seeking security, protection, and influence, this story invites individuals and congregations to return bravely to the core of our humanity: our belonging to God and one another.

Kara K. Root, has served the church in various leadership capacities for over twenty-five years. As the pastor of Lake Nokomis Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis, for more than a decade she has led a community shaped around noticing together what God is doing and then helping one another participate in that activity. She speaks, writes, and leads workshops on sabbath, creative worship practices, church transformation, and leadership.



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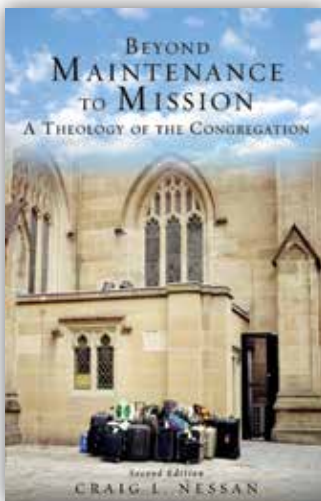
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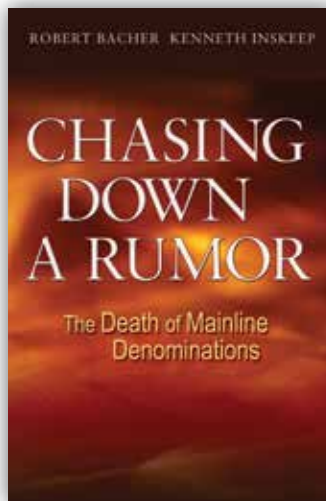
Eric Swanson is a missional leadership specialist with Leadership Network, leading initiatives with externally focused churches that are missionally engaging their communities, cities, and the world. He serves on the board of Evangelicals for Social Action and is coauthor of four books.

Rick Rusaw leads the Spire Network and is on the executive team of Gloop, both digital enterprises that equip and connect Christian leaders. For more than twenty-eight years, he served as lead pastor at LifeBridge Christian Church in Longmont, Colorado. He has assisted churches and denominations worldwide in developing an external focus to ministry and has authored several books.



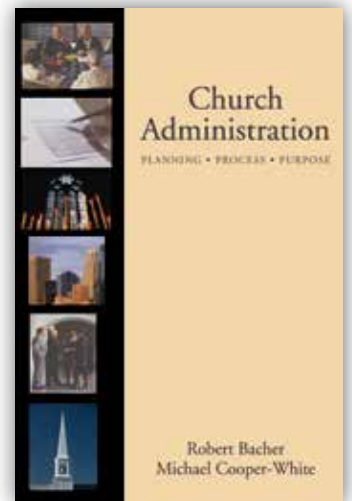
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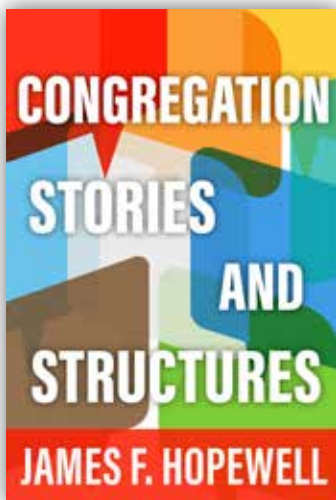
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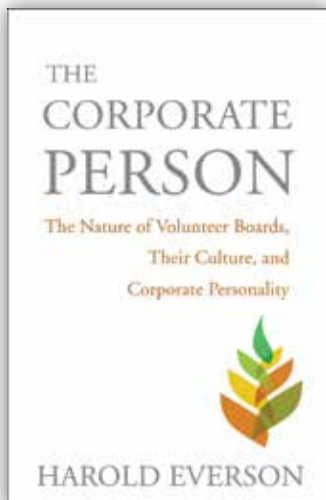
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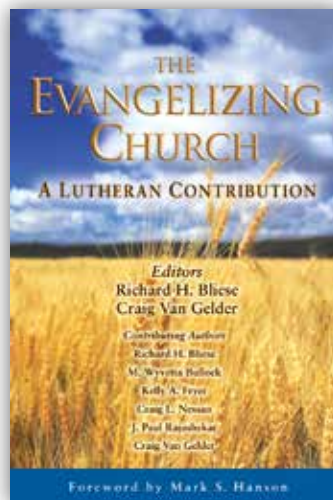
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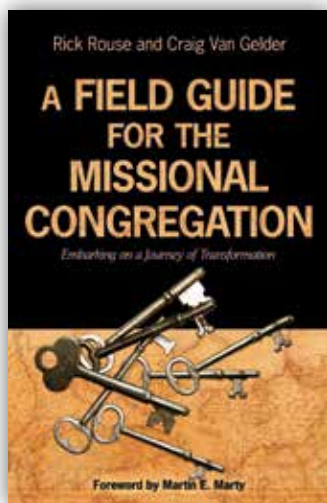
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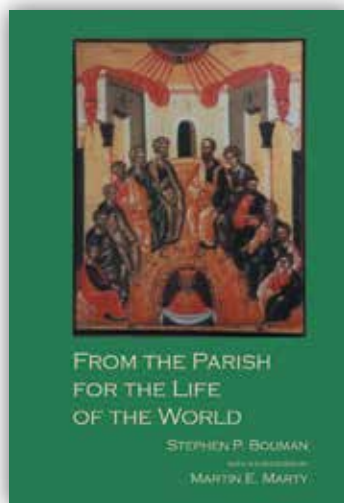
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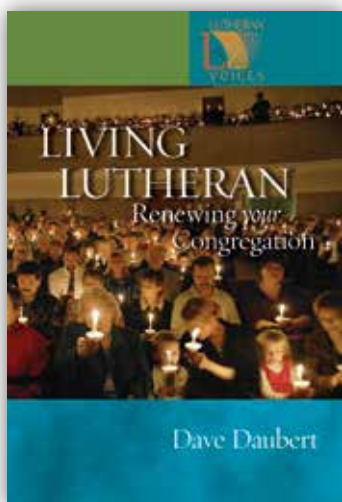
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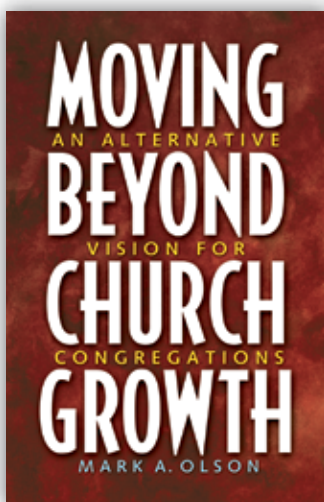


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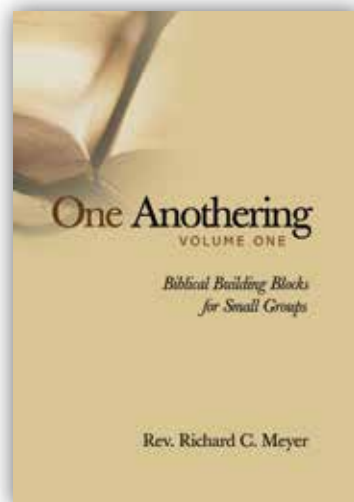
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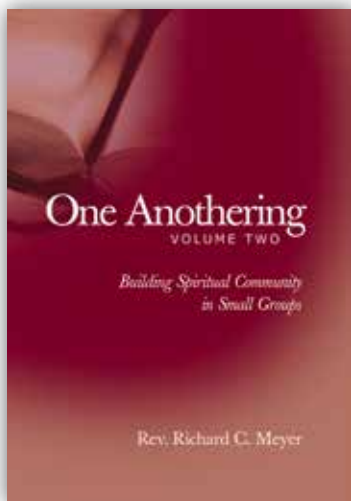
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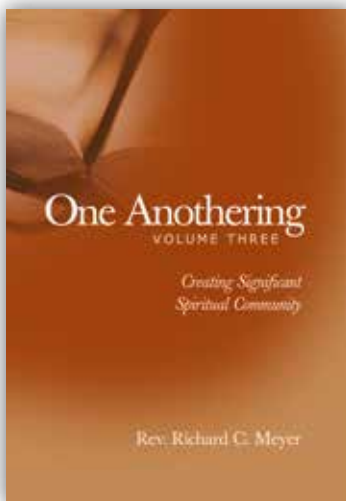
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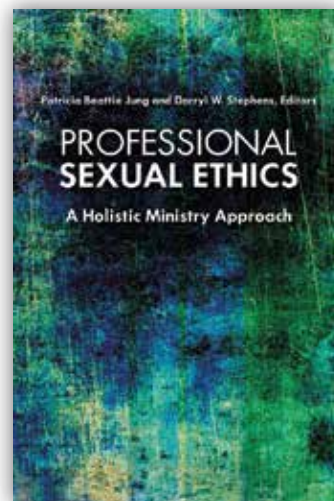
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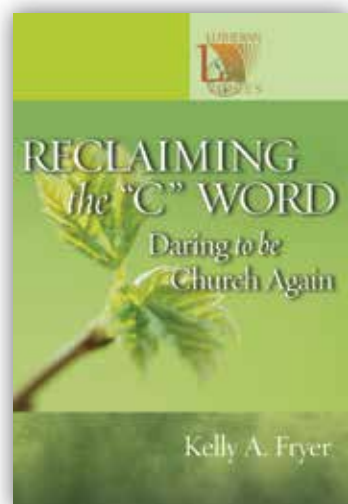
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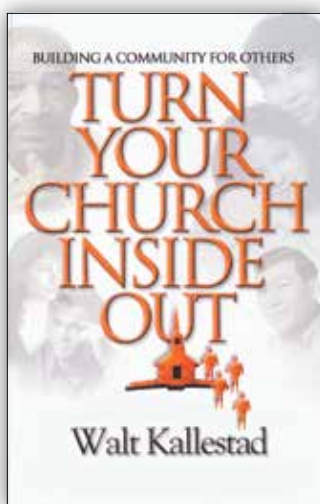


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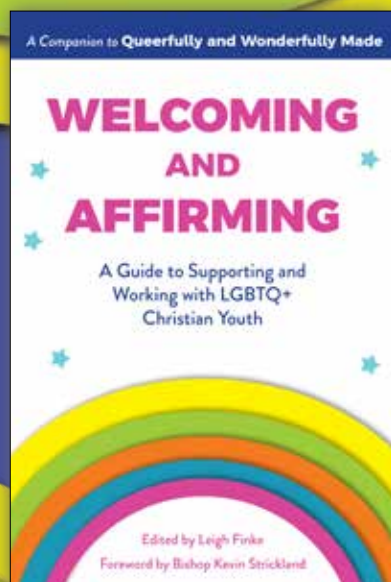
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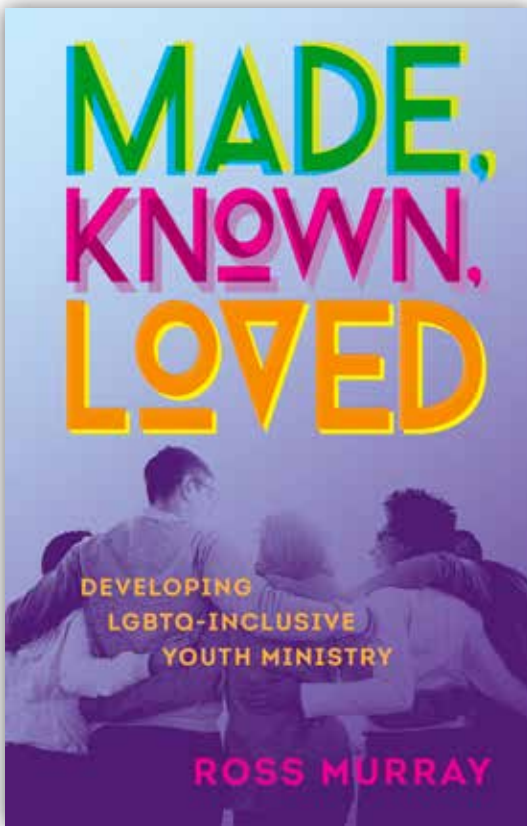
A Guide to Supporting and Working with LGBTQ+ Christian Youth

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Foreword by Bishop Kevin Strickland

Welcoming and Affirming: A Guide to Supporting and Working with LGBTQ+ Christian Youth is a handbook for pastors, youth workers, church leaders, educators, and other adults in Christian settings, providing answers to the most pressing questions about sexuality, gender, mental health, safe sex, and more. *Welcoming and Affirming* is a companion book to *Queerfully and Wonderfully Made: A Guide for LGBTQ+ Christian Teens*.

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Ross Murray is founding director of The Naming Project, a faith-based camp for LGBTQ youth and their allies. He is Senior Director of Education and Training at The GLAAD Media Institute, a producer for the “Yass, Jesus!” podcast, and an ordained deacon in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, called to advocate for LGBTQ people and to provide a bridge between LGBTQ and faith communities.

Made, Known, Loved

Developing LGBTQ-Inclusive Youth Ministry

Ross Murray

A guide for youth ministers from The Naming Project

Through the debates about the inclusion of LGBTQ people in the life of the church, one overlooked community is LGBTQ youth. *Made, Known, Loved* builds on experience and wisdom cultivated through The Naming Project, a ministry created at the intersection of youth, faith, and LGBTQ identity.

Formed at a time when the overlap of such categories was unthinkable, The Naming Project provides a place where youth of all sexual orientations can be safe and affirmed in their identity and faith. Because of that foundational work, other pastors and youth ministers often reach out to leaders of The Naming Project with their questions about LGBTQ-inclusive youth ministry. *Made, Known, Loved* provides the guidance these leaders have been asking for.

The book first helps congregation leaders and parents examine the values of the congregation and youth group. It focuses on keeping young people, including LGBTQ youth, safe and helping them feel respected and see themselves as beloved children of God. The book also provides a how-to manual for LGBTQ-inclusive youth ministry, sharing the best procedures and practices from the fifteen-plus years of The Naming Project’s ministry, including its on-going summer camp.

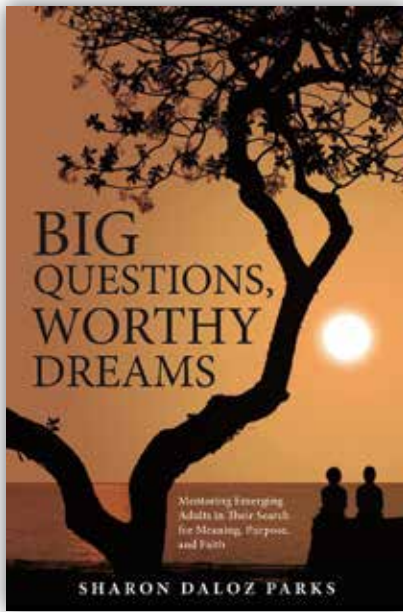
Made, Known, Loved shows congregations how to create a program that affirms LGBTQ youth in their faith and their identity, accepts and welcomes diverse sexual orientations and gender identities, and equips future leaders for the church and the LGBTQ community.

“You’ve been asking God how you can minister effectively to LGBTQ+ youth, and now Ross Murray has written *Made, Known, Loved*. Funny how God works, isn’t it?”

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“The compelling personal stories and expert guidance in his timely resource will not merely enlighten and inform adults, but lead to programs and ministries that will raise the next generation of LGBTQ Christian advocates.”

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Big Questions, Worthy Dreams

Mentoring Emerging Adults in Their Search for Meaning, Purpose, and Faith

Sharon Daloz Parks

Big Questions, Worthy Dreams was written to inform and inspire educators, church leaders, and others to consider the institutional and cultural patterns that affect emerging adults. It serves to bridge the divide between generations and to encourage more adequate recognition of what is at stake in the response of all who interact with emerging young adult lives.

Sharon Daloz Parks has taught, studied, and worked with young, emerging adults in higher education and other settings for more than forty years. She is currently a senior fellow at the Whidbey Institute, speaks and consults nationally, and is principal of leadership for the New Commons. Her publications include *Leadership Can Be Taught: A Bold Approach for a Complex World*.

Exploding Stars, Dead Dinosaurs, and Zombies

Youth Ministry in the Age of Science

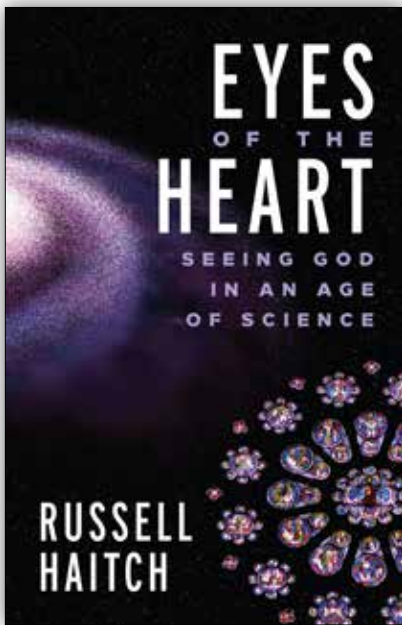
Andrew Root

Many things threaten the faith of youth today, but none more than science. The commitments of science and Christianity seem to be at odds—science makes truth claims based on experiments and proofs, while religion asks for belief and trust. But Andrew Root demonstrates that, in fact, the two are not incompatible. Root shows how science overstates its claims on truth, while faith often understates its own claims. Both faith and science frame the experience and reality of teenagers, and both have something valuable to offer as adolescents develop.

Andrew Root is the Olson Baalson Associate Professor of Youth and Family Ministry at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota. He is the author of several books, including *The Relational Pastor* and *The Children of Divorce*, and coauthor with Kenda Creasy Dean of *The Theological Turn in Youth Ministry*.



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Eyes of the Heart

Seeing God in an Age of Science

Russell Haitch

In *Eyes of the Heart*, Russell Haitch offers a model for unifying faith and science that does not compromise either good science or Christian convictions. With wit and insight, Haitch shows how his model resolves long-standing (and still heated) issues of creation and evolution. Compelling stories and clear explanations will appeal to a wide audience, including parents, youth workers, and young people themselves.

Russell Haitch is professor of theology and human science at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, Indiana. His written work has appeared in a wide variety of journals, and his book on baptism (*From Exorcism to Ecstasy*) is a well-regarded graduate school text. Ordained in the United Methodist Church, he has served as pastor and youth pastor for multiethnic congregations.

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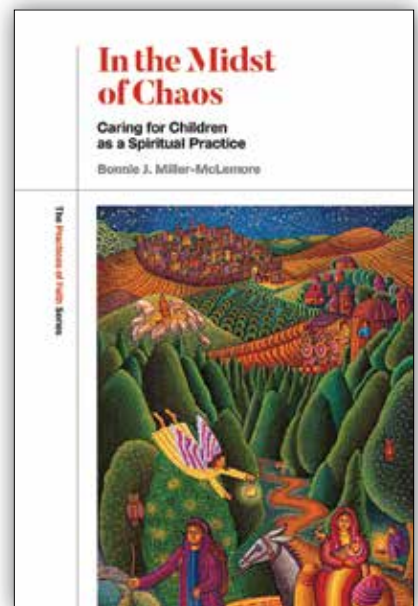
In the Midst of Chaos

Caring for Children as Spiritual Practice

Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore

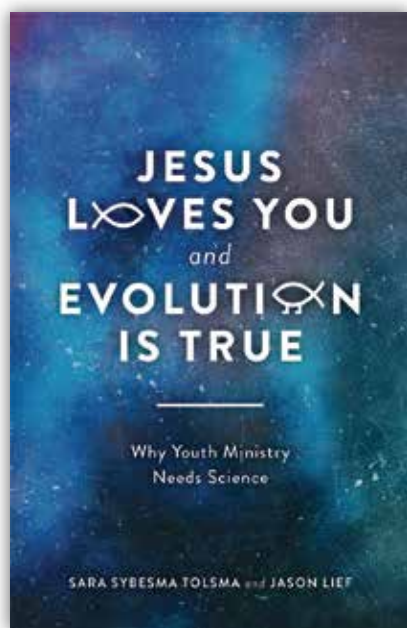
In the Midst of Chaos, by Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore, explores parenting as spiritual practice. Both honest about the difficulties and attentive to the blessings present in everyday life, it explores how parents might use seven daily practices, such as play, reading, chores, and saying goodbye or goodnight, as rich opportunities to shape both parent and child morally and spiritually.

Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore is E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of Religion, Psychology, and Culture at Vanderbilt University. A Henry Luce III Fellow in Theology and an author and editor of over sixteen books, she is widely recognized for her work on families, women, and children and her national and international leadership in pastoral and practical theologies.



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Jesus Loves You and Evolution Is True

Why Youth Ministry Needs Science

Sara Sybesma Tolsma and Jason Lief

Science is not a threat to the faith of Christian youth. In fact, Sara Sybesma Tolsma, an award-winning scientist, and Jason Lief, a leading practical theologian, argue that youth ministry needs science to help young people explore their relationship to God and engage their world faithfully. Pastors, faith leaders, and youth workers must not only engage science but embrace its lessons for the life and practice of Christian faith today.

Sara Sybesma Tolsma is professor of biology at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa.

Jason Lief is associate professor of practical theology at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa.

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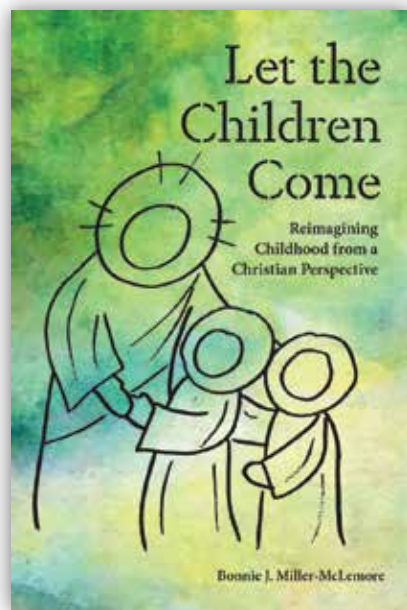
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Reimagining Childhood from a Christian Perspective

Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore

In *Let the Children Come*, Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore explores the question, What does faithful parenting look like today? As she addresses this query, she updates outmoded and distorted assumptions about and conceptions of children in popular US culture. She also shows important insights and contributions that religious traditions and communities—Christianity in particular—make as we examine how to regard and treat children well.

Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore is E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of Religion, Psychology, and Culture at Vanderbilt University. A Henry Luce III Fellow in Theology and an author and editor of over sixteen books, she is widely recognized for her work on families, women, and children and her national and international leadership in pastoral and practical theologies.



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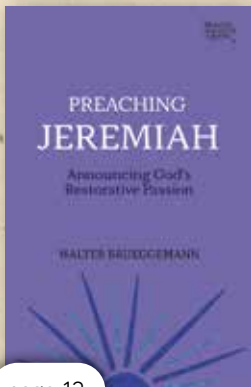




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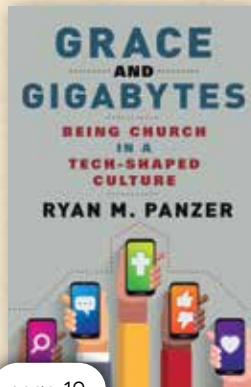
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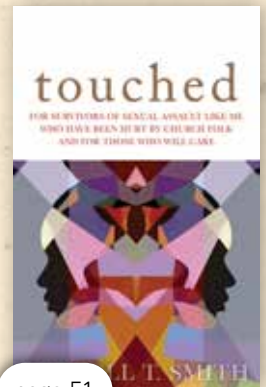
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