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## ALPHA COURSE LEADER'S GUIDE

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 1996		BOOK
	Copy 2.				

## ALPHA COURSE MANUAL

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 1995		BOOK
	The Alpha Course: This manual is used by all participants on the Alpha Course. It contains space for notes and enables guests to follow the talks more easily.				

## ALPHA COURSE: VIDEO 1

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 2001		VIDEO
	The Alpha Course: Video 1 in a series of 5 videos. Contains 3 of the 15 talks that make up the Alpha Course. 1. Christianity: Boring, Untrue, and Irrelevant?; 2. Who is Jesus?; 3. Why Did Jesus Die?				

## ALPHA COURSE: VIDEO 2

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 2001		VIDEO
	The Alpha Course: Video 2 in a series of 5 videos. Contains 3 of the 15 talks that make up the Alpha Course. 4. How Can I Be Sure of My Faith?; 5. Why and How Should I Read the Bible?; 6. Why and How Do I Pray?				

## ALPHA COURSE: VIDEO 3

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 2001		VIDEO
	The Alpha Course: Video 3 in a series of 5 videos. Contains 3 of the 15 talks that make up the Alpha Course. 7. How Does God Guide Us?; 8. Who Is the Holy Spirit?; 9. What Does the Holy Spirit Do?				

## ALPHA COURSE: VIDEO 4

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 2001		VIDEO
	The Alpha Course: Video 4 in a series of 5 videos. Contains 3 of the 15 talks that make up the Alpha Course. 10. How Can I Be Filled with the Spirit?; 11. How Can I Resist Evil?; 12. Why and How Should We Tell Others?				

## ALPHA COURSE: VIDEO 5

	Gumbel, Nicky		Alpha Resources, 2001		VIDEO
	The Alpha Course: Video 5 in a series of 5 videos. Contains 3 of the 15 talks that make up the Alpha Course. 13. Does God Heal Today?; 14. What About the Church?; 15. How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life?				

## ALPHA: FROM A REFORMED PERSPECTIVE

	Van Kempen, Case & Keith Derrick		CRC Publications, 2001		BOOK
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**ASSIMILATING NEW MEMBERS:**

**THE WORKSHOP**

Oswald, Roy M.

The Alban Institute, 1991

DVD

Based on an Alban study and others that led to the book *The Inviting Church* these 2 DVDs identify the common characteristics of congregations that are warm, inviting, and growing. Taped by the sponsoring church, the workshop runs about four hours on two discs. A Discussion Leader's Guide is included. Leaders will also need a copy of *The Inviting Church*; we recommend that each member of a study group have a copy also.

**ASSIMILATING NEW MEMBERS: THE WORKSHOP VIDEO**

Alban Institute, Inc.

VIDEO

Two-cassette program of a seminar conducted by Roy Oswald of the Alban Institute. Six segments run a total of about three hours. Oswald packs very worthwhile information into these classes. Members of large, medium, and small size churches will benefit equally from his research and know-how. Discussion Guide included.

**BECOMING A CONTAGIOUS CHRISTIAN**

Hybels, Bill, and Mark Mittelberg

Zondervan Publishing House, 1994

BOOK

Here is a proven action plan for making an effective difference in the spiritual lives of others. The principles are based on the words of Jesus, and the examples are out of the in-the-trenches experiences of the author.

**BECOMING A CONTAGIOUS CHRISTIAN:**

**COMMUNICATING YOUR FAITH IN A STYLE THAT FITS YOU**

Mittelberg, Mark, Lee Stobel & Bill Hybels

Zondervan Publishing House, 1999

KIT

This Willow Creek Resources evangelism course for churches and groups of all sizes is designed to equip believers for effective evangelism by showing them how they can share the Gospel in a natural and powerful way while being the person God made them to be. The kit includes DVD, 2 leader's guides, 1 participant's guide, and overhead masters. 8 sessions (flexible format).

**BEING A WELCOMING CONGREGATION**

Berry, Hugh B.

PCUSA 1996

PAMPHLET

Booklet to help session members lead their congregations in becoming more hospitable-- more loving, caring, and welcoming.

**BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES ON EVANGELISM: LIVING IN**

**A THREE-STORIED UNIVERSE**

Brueggemann, Walter

Abingdon Press

BOOK

The author writes of how the Bible speaks about evangelism. He describes it as a drama in three scenes: 1) God's victory over the forces of chaos and death, 2) the announcement of that victory, and 3) its appropriation by those who hear the announcement. [Could this view free the church from theological amnesia and cultural captivity that prevent evangelizing others?]

**BUILDING CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MINISTRIES**

Geores, Carl

Princeton Theological Seminary, 1996

VIDEO

Video (in six parts), Book and Study Guide designed for adult study. The Rev. Carl Geores shares his model for successful small church ministry. In Part One, he explains how to develop a cooperative ministry using available resources. In Parts Two through Six, he shows where to begin: in the study and application of key mission themes found in Scripture.

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<b>CARING EVANGELISM: HOW TO LIVE AND SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE, ADMINISTRATIVE HANDBOOK</b>					
		Stephen Ministries		BOOK	Part of the 16-hour Stephen Ministries Caring Evangelism Course that gives the tools needed to help people and congregations share Jesus with friends, relatives, coworkers, and fellow students as a normal part of daily life. Course leaders and publicity committees learn how to plan to the course, choose participants, and use resources.
<b>CARING EVANGELISM: HOW TO LIVE AND SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE, LEADER'S GUIDE</b>					
		Stephen Ministries		BOOK	Part of the Stephen Ministries Caring Evangelism Course, a 16-hour course that provides the tools needed to help people and congregations share Jesus with friends, relatives, coworkers, and fellow students as a normal part of daily life. The guide has detailed teaching instructions for each module, plus a variety of learning activities.
<b>CARING EVANGELISM: HOW TO LIVE AND SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE, PARTICIPANT MANUAL</b>					
		Stephen Ministries		BOOK	Part of the 16-hour training module Stephen Ministries Caring Evangelism Course, which helps participants share Jesus with friends, relatives, coworkers, and fellow students as a normal part of daily life. Contains outlines of lectures with space for taking notes and making it your own reference book.
<b>COLOR YOUR WORLD WITH NATURAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT</b>					
	Schwarz, Christian A.		ChurchSmart Resources, 2005	BOOK	The author introduces a fascinating approach to church growth that really works and has been accepted all over the world. He shows how biblically-based principles of New Church Development can also be a blessing for the spiritual development of the believer.
<b>CONGREGATIONAL FITNESS HEALTHY PRACTICES FOR LAYFOLK</b>					
	Goodman, Denise W.		Alban Institute, 2000	BOOK	When serious conflict surfaces in a congregation, lay people are usually stunned. They feel frightened, angry, and helpless. This resource explores why congregations are prone to conflict and describes healthy habits lay people can develop to handle conflict constructively. Designed for use by individuals, study groups, and retreat participants.
<b>CONGREGATIONAL MEGATRENDS</b>					
	Woods, C. Jeff		The Alban Institute	BOOK	The key to the future will be to cast the exact same gospel content in a mold that people in today's world will view with interest--enough interest to explore the content. Congregations need to understand how seven key megatrends affect them--in evangelism, discipleship, ministry, spirituality, leadership, programming, and planning.
<b>CONNECTIONAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT A PRESBYTERY HANDBOOK FOR CREATING NEW CHURCHES</b>					
	Denison, Chuck		New Church Development, PCUSA, 2005	BOOK	This Connectional model emphasizes a partnership with the local churches that can make the New Church Development (NCD) more affordable, and more likely to succeed in reaching their goals. If you are considering beginning a new church, be sure to read this short, helpful workbook. Contact your Presbytery office today!

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Denison, Chuck	New Church Development, PCUSA, 2005	BOOK	
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**CONTINUING CONVERSION OF THE CHURCH**

Guder, Darrell L.	Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2000	BOOK	
<p>Western society is a very different, very difficult mission field. The author explores how the church can more effectively carry out its missionary calling. He shows that the church's missionary calling requires that the theology and practice of evangelism be fundamentally rethought and redirected, focused on the continuing conversion of the church itself so that it can in turn be a faithful witness in today's world.</p>			

**CULTIVATING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

Hawkins, Thomas R.	Discipleship Resources	BOOK	
<p>Hawkins identifies 6 qualities of Christian community. Christian community: practices hospitality, creating a safe space where different people feel welcomed, affirmed, made visible, and valuable; is centered on Christ; practices the means of grace; occurs when we find healing and wholeness; invites us to discover our unique gifts for ministry; and equips us to live out our baptismal covenant, sharing in God's work of healing and restoring all creation.</p>			

**EFFECTIVE CHURCH GROWTH STRATEGIES**

Getz, Gene and Joe Wall	Word Publishing, 2000	BOOK	
<p>The authors offer a fresh, new understanding of what constitutes a healthy, growing church. They suggest that our Lord does not ask how big our local church is or how much we contribute to our denomination. He does want to know how we invest our lives, our gifts and talents, and our wealth in the numerical growth of His church and in the spiritual growth of His kingdom citizens. Appendices include models and sample documentation for healthy church plants.</p>			

**EVANGELISM AFTER CHRISTENDOM**

**THE THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF CHRISTIAN WITNESS**

Stone, Bryan	Brazos Press, 2007	BOOK	
<p>The author takes the study of evangelism to a new depth. This book brings hope to those perplexed by the popularity of evangelism techniques that seemingly contradict the faithful witness of the church. Theologically framed and biblically grounded, it is essential reading for those seeking an in-depth treatment of evangelism as a constructive Christian practice.</p>			

**EVANGELISM IN THE REFORMED TRADITION**

Lovell, Arnold B., ed.	CTS Press, 1990	BOOK	
<p>Evangelism is a topic of renewed concern in the Presbyterian Church (USA). This collection of addresses and sermons delivered in October 1989 at the Symposium on "Evangelism in the Reformed Tradition" represents the studied reflections of leading scholars from Presbyterian seminaries. These presentations confront the major issue in reclaiming a Reformed understanding of evangelism.</p>			

**EVANGELISM IS...**

Marsh, Clinton M.	Geneva Press	BOOK	
<p>In this book, the author confronts the declining membership of mainline Protestant churches with biblical and practical ideas on growing the church into the 21st century. He offers clear and useful suggestions on "the motive, the message, and the method" of evangelism.</p>			

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**EVANGELISM: RESULTS OF A SURVEY OF RACIAL-ETHNIC MEMBERS OF THE PCUSA, DECEMBER 1999**

Research Svcs, PCUSA

BOOK

Second of three reports on African-American, Korean-American, and Hispanic members of the PCUSA. Based on mailed survey of random sample of the three groups. Report deals with Current Congregation; Church Growth/Decline; Social Network.

**FAITH COMMUNITIES TODAY**

**A REPORT ON RELIGION IN THE UNITED STATES TODAY**

Dudley, Carl S. & David Roozen

Hartford Institute for Religion Research, 2001

BOOK

This resource is the research and educational program of the Cooperative Congregational Studies Project coordinated by The Hartford Institute for Religion Research, Hartford Seminary. It is the largest survey of congregations ever conducted in the U.S. It is the most inclusive, denominationally sanctioned program of interfaith cooperation. It was initiated to help churches and faith groups conduct and use congregational studies.

**GO FOR IT! HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH**

Gateway Films, Vision Video

VIDEO

The four teaching sessions on this video series help answer the basic questions--the who's, why's, and how's--about sharing the Christian faith. It provides Bible-based advice on how to witness to friends, family, neighbors, colleagues, and acquaintances.

**GOOD NEWS STORY**

Evangelism & Church Devel., PCUSA, 2001

BOOK

A bible study guide to help church leaders and members reach their own understanding of the biblical and theological foundation and importance of evangelism. To be used in four one-hour sessions: KNOW the story; TELL the story; BE the story; DO the story.

**GROWING CHURCHES IN HOPE**

PCUSA

VIDEO

This 9-minute video shows and describes highlights of evangelism and church development throughout the country. It includes racial ethnic and new immigrant churches, church growth centers, and emerging generations.

**HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLES**

**CONGREGATIONS BUILDING MULTIRACIAL COMMUNITY**

Kujawa-Holbrook, Sheryl A.

The Alban Institute, 2002

BOOK

The author explores the visions, probes the struggles, and celebrates the efforts of congregations in very different settings to move beyond racism. She challenges racism in the church with a gospel vision for multicultural community, offers leaders wise counsel, and provides congregations with helpful resources for living into that vision.

**HOW TO RUN THE ALPHA COURSE**

Gumbel, Nicky

Alpha Resources, 1997

BOOK

The Alpha Course: A Handbook for Alpha Directors, Leaders, and Helpers. This book takes the administrator through every stage of setting up and running an Alpha course. Included are checklists, forms for recording and organizing information, tips on organizing guest services, celebration suppers and resources. Comes with reproducible resources.



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<b>LIFE AFTER CHURCH</b>					
<b>GOD'S CALL TO DISILLUSIONED CHRISTIANS</b>					
	Sanders, Brian		InterVarsity Press, 2007		BOOK
	Whether Sunday mornings find you alone in a one-bedroom apartment or isolated in a church of thousands, Brian Sanders calls you to one unifying task: Reform the church that is Christ's. Be it from the inside out, or the outside in.				
<b>LIVING THE VISION: A FAITH ESTABLISHED A GOVERNOR</b>					
	Scott, Robert W.		Evangelism & Church Development, GAC, 2001		PAMPHLET
	Living the Vision Series. Published by Mission Interpretation & Promotion for Evangelism & Church Development Ministries of GAC. Eighth in a series, this booklet written by a former governor of North Carolina, shares his story of how he lives out his faith in light of his work as governor and in his life today.				
<b>LIVING THE VISION: BECOMING A MULTI-CULTURAL CHURCH</b>					
	National Ministries Division		PCUSA, 2004		DVD
	Living the Vision Series. This video, produced by the Office of Evangelism and Racial/Cultural Diversity program of the National Ministries Division is a guide to developing a multi-cultural ministry in your church. The program is divided into three sections (16 min, 11 min, 13 min) and is most beneficial when used in conjunction with the booklet/study guide of the same title. The DVD contains program versions in English, Audio with Spanish or Korean subtitles.				
<b>LIVING THE VISION: BECOMING A MULTI-CULTURAL CHURCH</b>					
	Parker, Sarah and Raafat Girgis		PCUSA, 2004		PAMPHLET
	Living the Vision Series. Copy 2. See also DVD of same title.				
<b>LIVING THE VISION: BECOMING A MULTI-CULTURAL CHURCH</b>					
	Parker, Sarah and Raafat Girgis		PCUSA, 2004		PAMPHLET
	Living the Vision Series. There is a hunger for information on evangelism and church growth. This booklet will help the denomination with information to meet the challenge of reaching the unchurched and minister to many different racial and ethnic groups in the next millennium. See also DVD of same title.				
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	National Ministries Division		PCUSA, 2004		DVD
	Living the Vision Series. Copy 2. See also booklet/study guide of same title.				
<b>LIVING THE VISION: DEVELOPING STRATEGIES AND GUIDELINES FOR KOREAN NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT</b>					
	Kim, Sun Bai		General Assembly Council, 2000		PAMPHLET
	Living the Vision Series. From Evangelism & Church Development, this helpful booklet outlines not only the need for active Korean American evangelism, but ministry to the entire community in the United States, both first-generation Korean Americans who may be unchurched and second-generation Korean Americans looking for an English-speaking church.				

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**LIVING THE VISION: HEALTH, VITALITY, AND GROWTH  
IN AFRICAN AMERICAN CONGREGATIONS**

Black Congregational Enhancement Office      National Ministries Division, PCUSA      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series: This resource will help motivate leaders of African American congregations to develop a vision and plan for growth; encourage leaders to make a deeper commitment to spiritual growth for the church & encourage the use of resources to help in the visioning and planning process. From the Black Congregational Enhancement Office of the Racial Ethnic Ministries Program Area, National Ministries Division, PCUSA.

**LIVING THE VISION: NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT**

Snedeker-Meier, Susan      Evangelism & Church Development, PCUSA,      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series: New Church Development (NCD) is one of the riskiest tasks our denomination, a presbytery, a pastor or any individual can undertake. Those who accept the task of overseeing the start of a new church will find this pamphlet and its guidelines helpful. It is designed to introduce the visions, values, convictions and concerns in the development of new worshiping congregations in the 21st century.

**LIVING THE VISION: PREPARING MEMBERS FOR EVANGELISM**

Potter, Rosalie      PCUSA      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series. Evangelism may require a shift from the Gospel being shared with those just like us to being shared among all people and all cultures. Contains three sample evangelism sessions.

**LIVING THE VISION: RURAL MINISTRY:  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY**

Stephen, Diana A.      General Assembly Council, 2000      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series. Published by Mission Interpretation & Promotion for Evangelism & Church Development Ministries of GAC. Today rural communities are experiencing tremendous change and congregations are called to explore new ways to minister to the people in their community and region. This booklet is designed to help rural congregations and the governing bodies that resource them.

**LIVING THE VISION: SMALL CHURCH MINISTRY**

Stephen, Diana A.      Evangelism & Church Development, PCUSA,      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series: Many small churches (average worship attendance of under 100) are healthy and engaged in vital ministry, with regularly scheduled assessment of the church's vision and true plans for ministry, while others need to revitalize the ministry and mission. This booklet will attempt to describe aspects of congregational life that lead to health and vitality.

**LIVING THE VISION: WELCOMING IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR GIFTS**

Marks, Amal & Antonio J. Aja      Evangelism & Church Development, PCUSA, 2000      PAMPHLET

Living the Vision Series: This booklet is designed to help presbyteries and congregations reach out to new immigrants living in their communities and to welcome them with the love of Jesus Christ.

**ME, AN EVANGELIST? EVERY CHRISTIAN'S GUIDE TO  
CARING EVANGELISM**

McKay, William J.      Stephen Ministries      BOOK

Part of the 16-hour training module Stephen Ministries Caring Evangelism Course, which provides tools for individuals and congregations to share Jesus with friends, relatives, coworkers, and fellow students as a normal part of daily life. Participants have reading assignments in this book before most modules. It teaches caring skills & compassionate faith-sharing skills.

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<b>NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT GUIDE: A VISION-BASED STRATEGY FOR DEVELOPING NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENTS (NCDs)</b>					
	Wood, H. Stanley		New Church Development, PCUSA, 2002	BOOK	Copy 2. This guide outlines five stages in developing and implementing the vision for New Church Development.
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	Wood, H. Stanley		New Church Development, PCUSA, 2002	BOOK	This guide outlines five stages in developing and implementing the vision for New Church Development.
<b>NEW DAY, NEW CHURCH</b>					
	Johnson, Ben		CTS Press, 1995	BOOK	In this resource, the author examines the issues facing today's church, proposes a new model, and offers practical, how-to suggestions and patterns for a church in transition.
<b>NEW FACES OF CHRISTIANITY BELIEVING THE BIBLE IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH</b>					
	Jenkins, Philip		Oxford University Press, 2006	BOOK	The author shows that throughout the global South, believers are reading the Bible with fresh eyes, and coming away with new and sometimes startling interpretations. Some of their conclusions are distinctly fundamentalist, but Jenkins finds an intriguing paradox, for they are also finding ideas in the Bible that are socially liberating, especially with respect to women's rights. Across Africa, Asia, and Latin America, such Christians are social activists in the forefront of a wide range of liberation movements. Anyone interested in the implications of these trends for the major denominations, for Muslim-Christian conflict, and for global politics will find <i>The New Faces of Christianity</i> provocative and incisive--and indispensable.
<b>NEW TIMES NEW CALL: A MANUAL OF PASTORAL OPTIONS FOR SMALL CHURCHES</b>					
	Presbyterian Small Church Network		PCUSA, 2003	BOOK	Copy 4
<b>NEW TIMES NEW CALL: A MANUAL OF PASTORAL OPTIONS FOR SMALL CHURCHES</b>					
	Presbyterian Small Church Network		PCUSA, 2003	BOOK	Revised Edition, 2003; This updated resource guides presbyteries and small membership churches as they explore together ways of stepping out in faith and being open to various kinds of leadership.
<b>NEW TIMES NEW CALL: A MANUAL OF PASTORAL OPTIONS FOR SMALL CHURCHES</b>					
	Presbyterian Small Church Network		PCUSA, 2003	BOOK	Copy 5
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**NOOMA: BREATHE**

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With everything that we've got going on every day, how many of us ever think about our breathing, about the meaning of breathing? Yet, for thousands of years, people have understood that our physical breath is a picture of a deeper spiritual reality. In the Bible, the word for "breath" is the same as the word for "spirit." There's an inherent dilemma at the core of what makes us human. We've all been created in the image of God and possess immense power and strength. And at the same time our lives are incredibly vulnerable and fragile. Maybe if we had more insight into the meaning of breathing, we would better understand how God created us as human beings.

**NOOMA: BULLHORN**

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God loves everyone, so a Christian should, too. In fact, Jesus said that the most important thing in life is to love God with everything we've got and love others the same way. But it's not always easy to love everyone around us, is it? Sometimes we strongly disagree with other people's political views, religious beliefs, behaviors, or something else, and it makes it hard to love them when we feel like we're right and they're very wrong. But Jesus doesn't separate loving God and loving others. So maybe the best way for us to show our love for God is actually by loving other people no matter how hard it sometimes is. Maybe it's the only way.

**NOOMA: CORNER**

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Can success separate us from those who could use our help? Can it create a wall between those with and those without? Maybe we are only really successful when we can actually see who could use our help. And maybe when we give to those we see, we are reminded of what we have been given.

**NOOMA: DUST**

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Believing in God is important, but what about God believing in us? Believing that we can actually be the kind of people we were meant to be. People of love, compassion, peace, forgiveness, and hope. People who try to do the right thing all of the time. Who act on the endless opportunities around us every day for good, beauty, and truth. It's easy for us to sometimes get down on ourselves. To feel "not good enough" or feel like we don't have what it takes. But maybe if we had more insight into the culture that Jesus grew up in and some of the radical things he did, we'd understand the faith that God has in all of us.

**NOOMA: FLAME**

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love those shoes. Really? The same way I love my wife? What's up with the word "love"? It doesn't have much meaning when we use it so loosely. Maybe we don't really get it. Maybe we don't understand what real love is. What it involves to really love somebody. What it means to give yourself to someone else. We mistake things like friendship, commitment, or lust for love, but God wired us a certain way to experience all that love was really meant to be. Not to hold us back or to make us miss out on the best that life has to offer. God created love, and wants us to feel it all in the way it's meant to be felt.

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**NOOMA: KICKBALL**

Bell, Rob

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We always think we know what's missing from our lives in order to really make us happy, don't we? If only I had that car, or that job, or if only I could lose those 15 lbs, then I'd be happy. Really? How often do we want something only to find out that it wasn't that great after all? Sometimes we ask God for things and if he doesn't deliver right away, we start questioning whether God really understands or even cares. Do we really trust God? Do we trust that God is good and sees a bigger picture than we ever could? It's easy to want what's right in front of us, but maybe God knows what's better for us, and sometimes we just can't see it.

**NOOMA: LUGGAGE**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

Maybe a friend turned their back on you. Maybe someone you loved betrayed you. We all have wounds and we end up carrying around these things that people have done to us for weeks, months, and sometimes even years. It isn't always easy to forgive these people and after a while these hurts can get really heavy. So the only way to feel better seems to be somehow getting back at the people that hurt us, to get revenge. But does revenge ever truly satisfy? Maybe forgiving isn't something you do for someone else to let them off the hook. Maybe forgiveness is about you. God didn't create you to carry these wounds around. God created you to be free.

**NOOMA: LUMP**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

A lot of us have done things in our lives that we're ashamed of. Some are small things, and some of us have really big and devastating things. Some of us even have things that people close to us don't know about. Personal junk that we keep to ourselves so we don't have to deal with it. Because we don't know how to deal with it, do we? We're afraid that if we try it's just going to make everything worse. But no matter how big our junk is, no matter how much what we've done has impacted the way other people feel about us or how we feel about ourselves, it hasn't changed how God feels about us. God loves us, he always has and always will, and there's nothing we can do to change that.

**NOOMA: MATTHEW**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

Suffering the loss of someone we love can be the most difficult thing in life to deal with. One moment we have them and the next they're gone. What are we supposed to do? How are we supposed to feel? The truth is, there's no certain way we're "supposed" to feel. Whatever we're feeling, it's okay. It's okay to feel shock, anger, denial or whatever we may feel. It's okay. And if we don't feel anything at all, that's okay too. It's okay to have no answers and no explanations. Because sometimes all the reasoning and comforting words in the world just isn't what we need. What might help us however is to understand how Jesus dealt with this kind of loss.

**NOOMA: NAME**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

We all compare ourselves to others. We spend our lives wondering what others think and say about us. Some of us even wish we were someone else. We question why we are the way we are and not the way we wish we could be. Some of us have let the expectations of others dictate who we've become. We act a certain way to be accepted but know that we're being untrue. But why are we so concerned with what other people think, say, or look like? What does it say about us if we are unable to accept who we are? Maybe if we really knew our true selves, we wouldn't give so much attention to other people's lives and live more in tune with the life God wants for us.

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**NOOMA: NOISE**

Bell, Rob

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Why is silence so hard to deal with? Why is it so much easier for us to live our lives with a lot of things going on all the time than to just be in silence? We're constantly surrounded with "voices" that are influencing us on how to think, feel, and behave. Movies, music, TV, Internet, cell phones, and a never-ending barrage of advertising. There's always something going on. Always noise in our lives. But maybe there's a connection between the amount of noise in our lives and our inability to hear God. If God sometimes feels distant to us, maybe it's not because he's not talking to us, but simply because we aren't really listening.

**NOOMA: OPEN**

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Many of us have experienced situations where we've prayed and it felt like God wasn't listening. And yet other times we've prayed or known someone that prayed and the situation changed. Does God answer prayer? Sometimes, but not all the time? Or does God always answer prayer and it's just that sometimes God says no? Some of us are angry with God for not answering the prayers we've prayed for years. Why did he answer their prayer but not ours? What if there's more to prayer than just God listening and answering? Maybe if we understood how Jesus prayed, our concepts and expectations of prayer would change.

**NOOMA: RAIN**

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Things don't always work out the way we want them to, or the way we think they will. Sometimes we don't even see it coming. We get hit with some form of pain out of nowhere leaving us feeling desperate and helpless. That's the way life is. Still, it makes us wonder how God can let these things happen to us. How God can just stand by and watch us suffer. Where is God when it really hurts? Maybe God is actually closer to us than we think. Maybe it's when we're in these situations, where everything seems to be falling apart, that God gets an opportunity to remind us of how much he really loves us.

**NOOMA: RHYTHM**

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What does it mean to have a relationship with God? What does it look like? For a lot of us it's a hard thing to fully understand. If God is an infinite spirit with no shape or form, how can we possibly relate to that? And what about Jesus? He said he came to give everyone life in its fullest. He came to show us how to live. Maybe it's through trusting Jesus and living the kind of life he taught us to live – a life of truth, love, justice, compassion, forgiveness, and sacrifice – that we have a relationship with God. Maybe the way we live every day, every single choice we make, determines how in tune with God we are.

**NOOMA: RICH**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

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There's a popular bumper sticker that reads "God Bless America," but hasn't America already been blessed? It's easy for us to fall into a mindset of viewing "our" world as "the" world, because it's all we generally see. We're constantly bombarded with images of the latest styles and models of everything, and it can easily leave us feeling like what we have isn't enough because we see people that have even more than us. But how does what we have compare to what most people in the world have? Maybe what we have is enough; maybe it's more than enough. Maybe God has blessed us with everything we have so we can bless and give to others.

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### NOOMA: SHE

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We didn't have anything to do with our birth. We are all here because some woman somewhere gave us life. Her pain, her effort, for our life. And when a mother gives like that to a child, she is showing us what God is like. But sometimes this part of God's nature is overlooked. A lot of us are comfortable with male imagery for God. But what about female imagery for God? Is God limited to a gender? Or does God transcend and yet include what we know as male and female? Maybe if we were more aware of the feminine imagery for God we would have a better understanding of who God is and what God is like.

### NOOMA: SHELLS

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

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Do you often find yourself saying, "I'm so busy" or "I just have so much to do"? It's easy to get overwhelmed with appointments, gatherings, to-do lists. But what are we really doing with our time? Many of us are running from place to place and it seems like life is just passing us by. We're doing so many things, a little bit of everything, and yet it doesn't feel like much of a life. But most of us find it hard to say no. We feel obligated. There are so many good things to do. So many good causes to join. But while we're busy doing all these good things, are we missing out on something great? Maybe saying no would be easier if we knew what it meant to say yes.

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### NOOMA: STORE

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

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We all get angry about things from time to time – some of us more often than others. For some of us, it feels like we're constantly on the brink of losing it, where it doesn't take much to get angry about anything. And this kind of anger can be seen everywhere we go – at work, in traffic, at the store, at home. But what is really at its the root? Anger is often looked at as a bad thing, but are there things actually worth getting angry about? Maybe if we had a better understanding of our anger and where it comes from, we could learn how to channel it towards something constructive – something that's bigger than ourselves.

### NOOMA: SUNDAY

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

Why do we do the things we do? Why do we go to church or give money away? Because we're supposed to or because we think God needs it? Do we honestly put on our best clothes for an hour once a week, stand and sit at all the right times, and sing all the appropriate songs for God's sake, or because it'll make us look better to the world around us? We're tired of all the empty rituals and routines. And so is God. God hates it when we call ourselves Christians but ignore all the things he really cares about. He hates it when we go through hollow religious routines out of some feeling of duty or obligation. God doesn't want the meaningless rituals. God wants our hearts.

### NOOMA: TODAY

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

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How much time and energy do we spend wishing things were how they used to be? We often think about times in our past when things were different and want our lives to be like that again. Some of us have even come to believe that our best days may actually be behind us. But if we're in some way hung up on the past, what does that mean for our lives now? How are we and those around us affected if we're not fully present? If we're longing for the way things used to be, what does that really say about our understanding and appreciation of our lives today? Maybe we need to learn to embrace our past for what it is, in order to live our lives to the fullest, right here, right now.

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**NOOMA: TOMATO**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan, 2008

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Most of us grew up believing that our worth, our value, our acceptance comes from how good we are. How smart, how competent, how fast and better and skilled. But Jesus invites us to die to all of that so that we can really live.

**NOOMA: TREES**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

We want to know why we are here. If our lives really matter. How our religion is relevant to this life. Today. We want to understand what significance this minute, hour, week, month, and year has to our lives. To our world. We need a God who cares about this life, in this world, right now. We want to understand why everything we think, everything we say, and everything we do matters. We don't want to just sit back and wait for something to happen or someday to come. We want to know if all the choices we make now will shape our world and lives for eternity. Because we want our lives to have meaning today, and our lives today to have meaning forever.

**NOOMA: WHIRLWIND**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan, 2009

DVD

There aren't nice, neat answers for why certain things happen to certain people. Often the perspective of a friend can help, but when there is nothing more to say, where do we turn? Maybe it's when there is nothing more to say that God finally speaks. Jesus lived with the awareness that God is doing something, right here, right now, and anybody can be a part of it.

**NOOMA: YOU**

Bell, Rob

Zondervan

DVD

Some of the central claims of the Christian faith are the source of many discussions and heated debates. But are we always debating the right things? Maybe some of our discussions would change significantly if we had more insight into the actual circumstances that surrounded the first people of the Christian movement – if we had a better understanding of the things they did in the context of the world they lived in. Maybe some of the claims of the Christian faith that we typically perceive to be unique aren't really that special at all. And at the same time maybe we don't always put enough emphasis on the things that truly should matter in our lives.

**PLACES OF PROMISE: FINDING STRENGTH IN YOUR CONGREGATION'S LOCATION**

Woolever, Cynthia and Deborah Bruce

Westminster John Knox Press, 2008

BOOK

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**PRAYER EVANGELISM**

**HOW TO CHANGE THE SPIRITUAL CLIMATE**

Silvoso, Ed.

Regal

BOOK

As a result of the growing worldwide prayer movement, powerful changes have taken place in the Church and in scattered cities—transformations beyond anything imaginable only a few years ago. Of the revelations to come out of this movement, perhaps the most dramatic and promising is the rediscovery of biblical principles for changing the spiritual climate over entire cities and regions.

**QUESTIONS OF LIFE**

**A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH**

Gumble, Nicky

Cook Communications Ministries, 1996

BOOK

The Alpha Course in book form. In fifteen compelling chapters Nicky Gumble points the way to an authentic Christianity that is exciting and relevant to today's world.

<b>Title 1</b>	<b>Title 2</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Publisher</b>	<b>Media</b>	<b>Summary</b>
<b>REACHING OUT IN A NETWORKED WORLD EXPRESSING YOUR CONGREGATION'S HEART AND SOUL</b>					
	Baab, Lynn M.		The Alban Institute, 2008		BOOK
In Reaching Out in a Networked World, communications expert and pastor Lynne Baab examines technologies such as websites, blogs, online communities, and desktop publishing. She demonstrates how a congregation can evaluate these tools and appropriately use them to communicate its heart and soul, to convey its identity and values both within and outside the congregation.					
<b>REACHING PEOPLE UNDER 40 WHILE KEEPING PEOPLE OVER 60 BEING A CHURCH FOR ALL GENERATIONS</b>					
	Hammett, Edward H. and James R. Pierce		Chalice Press, 2007		BOOK
Many churches leaders are asking how to keep people over sixty, who often hold church culture values, while at the same time reach people under forty, who often hold postmodern values. This resource looks at the church as it seeks to function in a postmodern world, a global change that encompasses more than generational differences.					
<b>RECLAIMING EVANGELISM: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR MAINLINE CHURCHES</b>					
	Linn, Jan G.		Chalice Press		BOOK
This view of evangelism takes seriously the need to achieve a balance between what works and biblical faithfulness. It offers steps for reclaiming this essential ministry, plus a model for restructuring congregational life to implement these steps. [Example--worship style--contemporary or traditional; not "either/or" but "both/and"]					
<b>SEARCHING FOR SEEKERS: MINISTRY WITH A NEW GENERATION OF THE UNCHURCHED</b>					
	Scifres, Mary J.		Abingdon Press		BOOK
Seekers are those who have had little or no exposure to the faith and for whom traditional worship is often uninviting and uninspired. This book provides the perspective and models for helping "mainline" congregations engage seekers through engaging worship.					
<b>SPIRITUALITY AND LEADERSHIP FOR THE HEALTH, VITALITY AND GROWTH OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CONGREGATIONS</b>					
	Dixon, L. Rita		National Ministries Division, PCUSA, 2005		BOOK
This resource is designed for experienced congregational leaders who hunger for a deeper spirituality and desire to be used by God to lead African American churches into greater health, vitality, and growth in spirituality, mission, ministry and membership.					
<b>STARTING NEW CHURCHES: A PROCESS OF DISCERNMENT</b>					
	PresbyGrow.Net		PCUSA, 2008		DVD
New church development is not the implementation of successful models and techniques; it is the faithful discernment of God's leading and the faithful implementation of God's Mission. A series of 16 gatherings with assignments and steps will guide the presbytery and its new churches in its midst.					
<b>SUBURBAN CHURCH, THE PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR AUTHENTIC MINISTRY</b>					
	DeKruyter, Arthur H.		Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
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<b>TELL IT LIKE IT IS</b>					
<b>RECLAIMING THE PRACTICE OF TESTIMONY</b>					
	Daniel, Lillian		The Alban Institute, 2005		BOOK
Through the simple practice of speaking about God's presence in their lives, Rev. Daniel and her congregation discovered that speaking about God's transformation had the power to transform their church.					
<b>TURN YOUR CHURCH INSIDE OUT</b>					
<b>BUILDING A COMMUNITY FOR OTHERS</b>					
	Kallestad, Walt		Augsburg Fortress, 2001		BOOK
Filled with inspiration and practical guidance, this book will engage you in the creative reshaping of your church - no matter what its size or denomination - into a vibrant community of followers of Jesus. From worship to funding, preaching to programming, prayer to staffing, Kallestad gives you the tools to build a "church for others" right where you are.					
<b>UNEXPECTED ADVENTURE</b>					
	Strobel, Lee & Mark Mittelberg		Zondervan, 2009		BOOK
When we seize opportunities to talk with others about Jesus, days that start out dull and tedious can quickly blossom into exciting escapades. Written for today's multigenerational, multicultural world, The Unexpected Adventure helps readers take easy steps into a natural evangelistic lifestyle that will energize their own faith while making an eternal difference in the lives of people they encounter. Authors Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg use compelling and humorous stories from their own lives in a devotional-style book that paints an irresistible picture of what personal evangelism can be—the fulfilling adventure of a lifetime!					
<b>VISION FOR CHURCH GROWTH IN THE PCUSA</b>					
<b>ENGLISH VERSION</b>					
			PCUSA, 1999		PAMPHLET
ENGLISH EDITION: Adapted by 211th GA (1999), a vision statement, action/reflection section, bibliography, resource section; a call to action in the United States as a mission field where church members and congregations have real opportunity for sharing faith and growing in faith and numbers; includes theological foundations, planning tools and ideas for growth.					
<b>WALKING TOGETHER: OUTREACH AND EVANGELIZATION</b>					
<b>RESOURCES FOR YOUTH MINISTRY</b>					
	Ponsetto, Daniel		Saint Mary's Press		BOOK
Methods for youth outreach and evangelization, directions for the use of storytelling in evangelization, and a model of an evangelizing retreat weekend.					
<b>WHY I DON'T GO TO CHURCH</b>					
			Presbytery of John Knox, Synod of Lakes & Prairies		VIDEO
This program has two sections: (1) The Panelists--presents an overview and summary of a two-day event, where pastors and church leaders listened to young adults explain why they did not attend church and (2) The Reasons--consists of five separate parts, each focusing on one reason for not going to church.					
<b>WITNESS OF THE WORSHIPING COMMUNITY</b>					
<b>Liturgy and the Practice of Evangelism</b>					
	Senn, Frank C.		Paulist Press		BOOK
Contents that the church growth movement runs the risk of losing its roots in return for gaining members. He shows how churches should evangelize through authentic worship that puts people in touch with the source of Christian life. Especially pertinent for Protestant congregations.					