

LIBRARY BOOKS

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Autopsy of a Deceased Church: 12 Ways to Keep Yours Alive – Thom S. Rainer

No one wants to see a church die. Yet far too many churches are dying. Whether your church is vibrant or dying, whether you are a pastor or church member, this book will walk you through the radical paths necessary to keep your church alive to the glory of God and advancement of Christ's Kingdom. Hardcover 2014

The Baptist Association: Assisting Churches. Advancing the Gospel – Ray Gentry (Editor)

"The key to mobilizing healthy churches, revitalizing declining churches, and planting new gospel churches in every community is the local association of Baptist churches. For the first time in thirty-five years, a manual has been written and produced that motivates and gives helpful counsel to Associational Mission Strategists." – Ronnie Floyd, President and CEO of the Southern Baptist Convention. Sections include, What is a Southern Baptist Association, The Importance and Role of the AMS, Advancing the Gospel in North America, Called to Associational Leadership, and A Leader of Leaders. Softcover 2020

Baptist Polity: As I See It – James L. Sullivan (Former President of the SBC)

This is an insider's look at the practices and politics of today's Southern Baptists. How do they differ from other denominations? What controversies surround the SBC? How can Southern Baptists continue to move and grow? These and many more questions are answered in this informative book about the Baptist denomination. Sullivan served as CEO of the Baptist Sunday School Board for 22 years and he is also a past president of the SBC. Softcover 1998

Becoming a Church That Cares Well for the Abused – Brad Hambrick and Other Contributors

Working in tandem with the resources and videos found at churchcares.com, this handbook brings together top experts from various fields to help pastors and ministry leaders understand and implement the best practices for handling a variety of abuse scenarios in churches, schools, or ministries. Although the most comprehensive training is experienced by using this handbook and the videos together, readers who may be unable to access the videos can use this handbook as a stand-alone resource. Softcover 2019

Christian Worker's Handbook – Billy Graham Evangelistic Association

This is a topical guide with biblical answers to the urgent concerns of our day. It is a valuable resource for any Christian interested in using the Bible to answer people's toughest and most frequently asked spiritual questions. Softcover 2013

Church, Go to Hell! Please?: A Call for Revival – Timothy J. Hall

Time is getting short for the church to do what the Lord has called us to do. It is time for the Church to realize that Hell is real and eternal for those we do not reach. Though the Church that has been purchased by the blood of Christ can never experience Hell in its fullness, it is imperative that the church be able to see and feel the eternalness of the torments of Hell. Luke sixteen tells us of activities that are now taking place in Hell, activities that need to be taking place in our churches. Please, allow your church and yourself to "Go to Hell" so that others won't have to. Softcover 2009

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For the One – Dr. Danny Forshee

How do we win others to Christ today and influence our friends for eternity? In *For the One*, Dr Danny Forshee applies the strategies of Jesus to today. He explores the principles of the greatest influencer and gives practical help and encouragement to all who desire to be more effective in sharing with their ones. By implementing the methods of Jesus, we are guaranteed to impact others for Christ in ways we never have before. Read and enjoy studying the life and ministry of Jesus and watch how your life and influence will expand more than you can imagine! Softcover 2019

High Impact Teams: Where Healthy Meets High Performance – Lance Witt

Anyone who has been part of a great team knows it is something special. Lance Witt knows what it takes to keep teams functioning at the highest level of impact. He shows you how to build a next-level team that is spiritually, emotionally, and relationally healthy and productive and high performing. Softcover 2018

I Am a Church Member: Discovering the Attitude that Makes the Difference – Thom S. Rainer

Thom S. Rainer drew an exceptional response when he posted a 500-word declaration about church membership to his daily blog. "I Am a Church Member" started a conversation about the attitudes and responsibilities of church members -- rather than the functional and theological issues -- that previous new member primers all but ignored. Thoughtfully expanded to book form, *I Am a Church Member* begins to remedy the outbreak of inactive or barely committed church members, addressing without apology what is expected of those who join a body of believers. When a person's attitude is consistently biblical and healthy, matters of giving, serving, and so forth will fall into place more naturally. Hardcover 2013

The Legend of the Three Trees – George Taweel & Rob Loos (Adaptation-Catherine McCafferty)

This timeless retelling of the classic folktale of three distinct trees, each with its own hopes and dreams. The olive tree wants to be a treasure chest, the oak tree hopes to be a mighty ship, and the pine tree only wants to stay on the mountain and point others to God. Join the trees and see how sometimes the dreams we have for ourselves are much smaller than the dreams God has for us. Hardcover 2001 (DVD Available)

Life Unhindered: Five Keys to Walking in Freedom – Jennifer Kennedy Dean

Every fiber of our being cries out for freedom. The desire to be free is shared by men and women in all cultures, all ages, and all nations. We often forget freedom is Christ's goal for our lives as well. Through close examination of scripture God will move through you to loosen the cords that bind and equip you to live a life of full freedom in Christ. Softcover 2010

Living Your Strengths: Discover Your God-Given Talents – Winseman, Clifton, and Liesveld

Many people feel disengaged from their faith communities. More than half report that they really don't get the opportunity in their congregation to do what they do best. People just feel disconnected. Maybe it's because those faith communities make unwitting missteps: Pastors ask shy people to be greeters or recruit innately disorganized people to coordinate church events. Too many people's talents are going unappreciated. This book shows readers how to use their innate gifts to enrich their faith communities, how to identify and affirm their talents, and how to use them for growth and service. Most importantly, it helps people discover their true calling. Hardcover 2008

One Incredible Moment: Celebrating the Majesty of the Manger – Max Lucado

One word describes the night He came – ordinary. An ordinary night with ordinary sheep and ordinary shepherds. And were it not for a God who loves to hook an "extra" on the front of ordinary, the night would have gone unnoticed. But God dances amidst the common and that night he did a waltz. Hardcover 2006

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The Pastor's Primer – O.S. Hawkins

Dr. O.S. Hawkins provides a comprehensive overview of being a pastor in *The Pastor's Primer*. He generously shares of his theological education, pastoral experience, and spiritual enthusiasm. He has taken the lessons he learned from several decades in the ministry and passed it on to us in a clear, concise, thoughtful way. It is full of biblical advice tempered by anecdotal experience from years of pastoral ministry. Softcover 2006

Replenish: Leading from a Healthy Soul – Lance Witt

Every leader functions on two stages – the front stage and the back stage. The front stage is the public world of leadership. The backstage is the private world of the leader. This book shows you how to prioritize matters of the soul, develop healthy spiritual practices, address problems that lead to burnout, create a healthy rhythm in your life, craft a healthy leadership culture, develop better systems in your church, and move toward an unhurried life. Softcover 2011

Resolving Everyday Conflict – Ken Sande & Kevin Johnson

We all encounter conflict – whether it be with a coworker, family member, friend, or complete stranger. And yet we all desire harmony in our relationships. This book is a practical, biblical, and concise guide to peacemaking in everyday life. You will learn how to achieve not only a cease-fire but also unity and harmony. This biblical guidance will take you far beyond simply ending conflicts. Instead, true, life-changing reconciliation can take place in your relationships. Softcover 2015

SBC FAQs: A Ready Reference – Keith Harper and Amy Whitfield

This book seeks to answer church members' most common inquiries about the Southern Baptist Convention and offers clear and concise explanations to thirty-seven frequently asked questions. The topics addressed range from the founding of the SBC to how officers and committees work, what individual entities do, movements in denomination history, common terminology, and more. Also included are a number of guiding documents that give further insight into the founding, form, and function of America's largest Protestant denomination. Softcover 2013

Sirens for the Cross – Tommy Neiman with Sue Reynolds

This book includes inspirational stories of on-scene fire and rescue calls. *Sirens of the Cross* takes you directly to the scenes of a raging wildfire, structure fires, and medical calls ranging from attempted suicides to the poolside accident of a 107-year-old dancing gentleman. You will be filled with excitement, concern, compassion, and even laughter. But most importantly, you will see God's mighty hand as each incident reflects His glory! Softcover 2018

Something Needs to Change: A Call to Make Your Life Count... – David Platt

What happens when a well-known pastor and best-selling author has his deepest convictions rocked by darkness in the world around him? Fresh off a trek through some of the highest mountains and remotest villages in the world, David Platt found himself overwhelmed with seismic questions. He invites you to eat what he ate, drink what he drank, see the faces he saw, and feel the emotions he felt. Reading this book is not risk free. It will leave you transformed and determined to take action, starting right where you live. Hardcover 2019

The Story of Lottie Moon – Cathy Butler

This book is not the result of new, original research into Lottie Moon's life, and was not meant to be. Exhaustive research has already been done by many others. This story of Lottie Moon's life, told as a narrative, will help introduce her to a new audience. Softcover 2004

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Technicolor: Inspiring Your Church to Embrace Multicultural Ministry – Mark Hearn

By the year 2050 the United States will no longer have a majority ethnic group. The nation's population will be majority-minority. A generation ago church members could tell their neighbors about Jesus and invite them to church easily because they shared a worldview. Those days are gone. In 2011 there were 57 languages served in the Duluth, GA school district. Your church is called to be on mission. God wants to use your church to reach the nations in your backyard. Learn how you can be equipped to make the shift to church in technicolor. Softcover 2017

Ten Percent: A Call to Biblical Stewardship – Ronnie W. Floyd

This Bible-based theologically sound stewardship emphasis includes a six-week sermon series and curriculum for Sunday School or small groups. This emphasis can be used in any size church to advance stewardship through a pastor-friendly approach focused on the local church. The book focuses on six principles, 1) God is the Owner of Everything, 2) We Own Absolutely Nothing, 3) Honor God with at Least the First Ten Percent, 4) Bring the Full Ten Percent to the Church, 5) Practice Over and Above Giving, 6) Focus on the Great Commission Always. Softcover 2020

The Unsaved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel – Dean Inserra

How do you share your faith with people who call themselves Christians but don't know Christ? You want your friends and family to follow Jesus wholeheartedly, but broaching the topic of true conversion can feel intimidating and confusing. That's why we often just leave cultural Christians alone, hoping someday they'll get serious about Jesus on their own. But the truth is, cultural Christians are just as lost as their atheist counterparts, and we need a game plan for reaching them. Dean Inserra used to be a cultural Christian too. Today he leads a thriving church in the Bible Belt of America. He will:

- teach you how to identify and fully understand different types of cultural Christians
- offer appropriate starting points that lead to deeper conversations
- help you lovingly and confidently preach the gospel to the cultural Christians in your life

Cultural Christianity is a huge mission field in desperate need of laborers. Learn how your church can get equipped to gather in the harvest. Softcover 2019

The Unstuck Church: Equipping Churches to Experience Sustained Health – Tony Morgan

Is your church stuck in one place? Is it growing, diminishing, or somewhere in between? Regardless of where your church is today, it needs to stay focused on its greatest mission – to “go and make disciples of all nations.” In reality, nothing else matters. The Unstuck Church is a call for honest assessment of where your church sits on the life cycle and a challenge to move forward. Softcover 2017

Who Moved My Pulpit: Leading Change in the Church – Thom S. Rainer

Who Moved My Pulpit? may not be the exact question you are asking. But you're certainly asking questions about change in the church—where it's coming from, why it's happening, and how you're supposed to hang on and follow God through it—even get out ahead of it so your church is faithfully meeting its timeless calling and serving the new opportunities of this age. Based on conversations with thousands of pastors this book shares an eight-stage roadmap to leading change in your church. Not by changing doctrine. Not by changing biblical foundations. But by changing methodologies and approaches for reaching a rapidly changing culture. You are the pastor. You are the church staff person. You are an elder. You are a deacon. You are a key lay leader in the church. This is the book that will equip you to celebrate and lead change no matter the cost. Hardcover 2016