

Organic Discipleship Mentoring Others Into Spiritual Maturity And Leadership Revised Edition

Master story teller Dennis McCallum guides readers through the most important and controversial book in the Old Testament. This book features accessible text even for new readers. This narrative briefly answers modern attacks on the text, and is ideally arranged for partner or group reading.

El programa de ICETE para el liderazgo académico (IPAL, por sus siglas en inglés) fue establecido oficialmente en 2010 a raíz de la necesidad de brindar capacitación a las instituciones teológicas en diversas regiones del mundo. IPAL ofrece seminarios de cuatro días en un ciclo de tres años para el desarrollo profesional de administradores académicos evangélicos, con el fin de ayudar a las instituciones en su búsqueda de calidad y excelencia. Este libro es el tercer y último volumen de la serie, cuya finalidad es acompañar y apoyar los seminarios de IPAL, además de proveer, independientemente, un recurso para ayudar a las instituciones teológicas en el desarrollo de su facultad de profesores. El desarrollo docente está en el corazón de la educación teológica. Este libro sienta los fundamentos para que las instituciones puedan equipar y entrenar a sus líderes emergentes y encomendarles la tarea de avanzar sus carreras y mejorar los estándares de su docencia e investigación. Los que han contribuido a este volumen comparten los hallazgos de investigaciones llevadas a cabo en instituciones académicas evangélicas en diversos contextos alrededor del mundo, a fin de que otros administradores sénior puedan mejorar la calidad de la educación teológica en su propia institución.

For a church to be considered mature an integrated approach between contextualization, discipleship and mission is required. Globally, the church is facing multiple challenges both from within and from without. Despite the challenges, however, churches in the Majority World continue to grow rapidly. But is this growth in numbers accompanied by spiritual depth? And is this growth built upon biblical and theological foundations, so that the church can play its transforming role in the world? In this book, Dr Ermias Mamo makes the case for an integrated approach, guiding the reader through the topics of discipleship, mission and contextualization, for which he uses his home country of Ethiopia as a working example. Dr Mamo closes with strategies for effective contextualized discipleship and the impact such an approach will have on the future of the church. This is a resource that will benefit all who wish to be part of a church that seeks to shape its theological learning, institutional structure and core values around their identity in Christ and God-given mission.

Inductive Bible Study provides a step-by-step approach to Bible study based on a three-part interpretive framework--observation, interpretation, and application.

Scripture places high priority on the discipling capacity of the church, This book shows how to accomplish it. Foreword by Howard Ball.

Spent Matches explores the possibility that a few small paradigm shifts within the church might make the difference between extinction and effectiveness. In fact, taking a clue from the automobile industry, the church might be able to not only halt the rapid decay in attendance but also become an effective tool in achieving Jesus' final command. For instance, the Hybrid car has become the answer to Detroit's environmental and oil crisis issues. Finding the synergy between two technologies, gas and electric has created a new day for the auto industry. Likewise, Spent Matches explores how the church can find synergy between two seemingly competing thoughts: an invitation to come and a command to go. The Hybrid metaphor brings energy to the church's mission and an explanation to the age-old argument of Missional versus Attractional methods. Features include: Innovative ideas for growing the church Methods to reach those who may never have attended church Scripture passages that touch on the subject of church growth

Integrity has been an essential component of leadership throughout the ages. The Church is facing an integrity crisis; consistently struggling with a plethora of ethical woes among several gifted leaders. Not only is the Church's conduct in question, its very character and competence are being placed under intense scrutiny. This book explores three dimensions of integrity. It proposes that the overall process of leadership development pivots on three dimensions of integrity: personal integrity (the character of the leader), vocational integrity (the competence of the leader) and organizational integrity, (the commitment and contribution of the leader). This book also proposes that while being gifted is an asset to leadership; giftedness is never enough for successful leadership. It is the combination of giftedness + integrity that will facilitate effective leadership.

This book contains everything committed members need to mentor someone into spiritual maturity and leadership through a relationship, not a program. Through numerous personal stories, McCallum and Lowery explain how and why the organic disciple-making process works so well at Xenos Christian Fellowship in Columbus, Ohio. --from publisher description.

Our multicultural world needs countercultural disciplers. People from all over the world are coming to Christ from a variety of backgrounds. This requires more people who are willing to commit to the effort and sacrifice it takes to invest in new believers. Rooted in over four decades of multicultural discipleship experience, Ajith Fernando offers biblical principles for discipling and presents examples showing how they apply to daily life and ministry. He addresses key cultural challenges, such as the value of honor and shame, honoring family commitments, and dealing with persecution, and helps us think realistically about the cost and commitment required for productive cross-cultural ministry. This practical guide to discipleship will help us help others grow into mature and godly followers of Christ.

This highly readable--and useful--examination of Satan and spiritual warfare was written out of necessity. In recent years, pastor and teacher Dennis McCallum found himself fielding more and more questions about Satan. He wanted to recommend a book on the subject, but those he found either reflected extreme beliefs, contained little biblical instruction, used fear tactics, or were poorly written. In Satan and His Kingdom, McCallum clarifies what is true and what is false about Satan, demons, and demonic control--both historically and today. He shows readers how to effectively battle the enemy individually and corporately, all the while keeping their focus on Christ, not Satan. A reliable resource for pastors, lay leaders, and any Christian wanting to know more about evil in the world.

Seeking the Lost, Keeping Them, Making Them Disciples By: Dr. Benoit Petit-Homme God bless Dr. Benoit Petit-Homme for all the work he has done in putting this book together. I believe that any church or leader who will follow these biblically-grounded principles will see beautiful results in changed lives for the kingdom. Teresa L. Reeve, PhD, Associate Dean, Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Associate Professor of New Testament Contexts, Andrews University, United States of America Dr. Benoit Petit-Homme's contribution to the discipleship crisis is a compelling re-examination of scripture, church history, and 21st century pastoral experience. Practical and convincing, his straightforward style brings real solutions to the evangelistic Achilles' heels of attrition. He reminds us of what has been forgotten and calls us back to our relational roots. Pr. Ron Kelly, Senior Pastor, Village Seventh-day Adventist Church, Berrien Springs, Michigan, United States of America Seeking the Lost, Keeping Them, Making Them Disciples by Dr. Benoit Petit-Homme is a handy Christ-based discipleship resource that

will contribute to the mission of training and equipping church ministry leaders in the evangelistic work of reaping, retaining, and nurturing new believing Christians. This is a must-read for church officers, pastors, and ministry directors in the Christian church. Ron C. Smith, PhD., D.Min, President, Southern Union Conference of SDA Every year, many thousands of people hear the Good News of Jesus Christ and choose to be baptized and join a church community. Unfortunately, it is also true that every year many new converts leave a church relatively shortly after joining. The specific reasons that each person leaves the church could fill a book by themselves, but they all boil down to one thing: a lack of focus on the part of the church community on turning converts into disciples of our Savior. A disciple of Christ does more than attend church services. A disciple is an active member of the church community. A disciple is a witness to others. A disciple seeks to grow the church by seeking to lead everyone they meet to Christ. Dr. Benoit Petit-Homme is a committed disciple of Christ, and after extensive study of exactly why new converts leave the church, he has developed a process by which any church can make disciples. All it takes is a little extra work, a bit of encouragement, and an unwavering faith in the Lord.

"Why am I even bothering to do this?" Rob thought to himself as he stacked the chairs. The sky outside the window was darkening, and he could hear the last of the cars pulling out of the church parking lot. We invest a lot of time, thought and energy into our discipleship efforts. We teach classes, gather resource materials, design curriculum, arrange discipleship relationships . . . but at the end of the day, what change are we really seeing? How come we aren't seeing the kind of real-life results we're looking for? Why isn't it working? Where's the transformation? What is discipleship all about? We are to love God, love others, and make disciples. That's the Great Commandment and the Great Commission put together . . . not bad shorthand for the life of faith. The first two--love God and love others--are the way we are to live our lives. The third one--make disciples--is the mission: to help others follow Jesus just as we are following Jesus. Our making of disciples flows out of our life with God, to be certain. Yet in some ways, the order needs to be inverted as well: Only as we make disciples are we perfected in the faith. As we reach out, we are shaped and transformed. As we go about life, the mission of Jesus is to recognize the people in our sphere of influence and help them take the next steps toward God. Engaging in that mission results in not only an increased quality of relationships, but a changed life for us as well. Every person is different and we all reflect God in different ways. So why is our typical approach to discipleship the same across the board? The Discipleship Difference lays out an intentional, holistic, and relational approach to discipleship that is individualized to meet each person wherever they are.

This book brings together research into, and experience of, the practicalities, benefits, limitations, and ways of thinking theologically and pedagogically about Reflective Practice Groups for Clergy, and advocates this as providing opportunity for enhancing well-being, theological development, pastoral supervision and spiritual formation in community.

Even if your wedding day is years off, "Spiritual Relationships That Last" tests your readiness for Christian marriage, life's most intimate love. If you are already married you will discover how to move ahead by building a lasting unity between you and your spouse. And whether you are single or married, you will find out how to stop a fruitless search for a mythical true love and to instead focus on building the relational skills that make marriage work.

By gathering stories about effective churches from small-church pastors, Brandon O'Brien demonstrates that a church's success is not contingent on its size. This is a selection from Brandon O'Brien's book, *The Strategically Small Church*.

Dennis McCallum and Gary DeLashmutt argue that finding the right person is secondary to becoming the right person, and that the choice of who and when to marry must be rooted in a different value system than physical and emotional attraction.

It is hard to deny that today's world can seem apathetic toward Christians. Some may look down at their iPhones when we mention God, motion for the check when we bring up church, or casually change the subject when we talk about prayer. In a world full of people whose indifference is greater than their desire to know Christ, how can we dream of growing the church? In *Contagious Disciple Making*, David Watson and Paul Watson map out a simple method that has sparked an explosion of homegrown churches in the United States and around the world. A companion to Cityteam's two previous books, *Miraculous Movements* and *The Father Glorified*, *Contagious Disciple Making* details the method used by Cityteam disciple-makers. This distinctive process focuses on equipping spiritual leaders in communities where churches are planted. Unlike many evangelism and church-growth products that focus on quick results, contagious disciple-making takes time to cultivate spiritual leadership, resulting in lasting disciple-making movements. Through *Contagious Disciple Making* readers will come to understand that a strong and equipped leader will continue to grow the church long after church planters move on to the next church. Features include: Engagement tools for use in the field Practical techniques to equip others to make disciples

Across North America, many pastors are excited to see churches growing as they achieve their mission to connect the message of the gospel with the community at large. Still others are equally frustrated, following the exact same model for outreach but with lesser results. Indeed, just because a "missional breakthrough" occurs in one place doesn't mean it will happen the same way elsewhere. One size does not fit all, but there are cultural codes that must be broken for all churches to grow and remain effective in their specific mission context. *Breaking the Missional Code* provides expert insight on church culture and church vision casting, plus case studies of successful missional churches impacting their communities. "We have to recognize there are cultural barriers (in addition to spiritual ones) that blind people from understanding the gospel," the authors write. "Our task is to find the right way to break through those cultural barriers without removing the spiritual and theological ones."

Women in all seasons of life can feel alone, longing for encouragement, guidance, and wisdom from someone who has been there before. They would value the wealth of knowledge and wisdom from older women's experiences, but often these women don't feel equipped to offer help. This book is a starting place, meant to be a springboard for mentoring discussions between older and younger women, setting the biblical basis for mentoring from Titus 2 before outlining 11 lessons that guide their time together. Each lesson focuses on a topic such as God's word, prayer, contentment, temptation, and church, with activities for before, during, and after the mentoring session. Younger and older women will grow together as they use these lessons to walk through life together.

New research from the Billy Graham Center Institute shows that unchurched Americans are still remarkably open to faith conversations and the church. Researcher and practitioner Rick Richardson sheds light on the study's findings and shares best practices for how churches are effectively approaching unchurched "nones" and moving them to faith.

Drawing on the writings of Augustine, John of the Cross, Teresa of Avila and others, Keith R. Anderson and Randy D. Reese show that the age-old practice of Christian mentoring is meant to facilitate our growth throughout life. They provide motivation, principles and plans for starting and continuing mentoring relationships.

The United States is known as the "Great Melting Pot," yet a survey of our churches on Sunday Morning would reveal a noticeably different portrait of our ethnic make-up. Every facet of American culture is

multi-ethnic. Yet, the Church is not. The church is segregated. Drawing from scripture, Derwin shows how the modern church is suffering from being homogenous and how we are not fulfilling our calling as effectively as we should be. The High-Definition Leader is a call for churches and their leaders to grow out of ignorance, class-ism, racism, and greed into a flourishing and vibrant community of believers united in their devotion to serving God and sharing His love with the world.

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Disciple Making Is... stands as one of the most thorough books yet offered regarding how to make disciples. In thirty brief, hard-hitting but easily accessible chapters, the entire scope of disciple making is presented in a way that will inspire and inform the reader to obey the Great Commission with great passion. Grounded on a solid biblical foundation, authors Dave Earley and Rod Dempsey -- both veterans of one-on-one, collegiate, small group, and local church discipleship -- share their practical insights on how to best reproduce reproducers of Christ's message. Each compelling entry is set up to finish the sentence that begins with the book's title. For example, Disciple Making Is . . . "Embracing the Cross," "Forsaking All to Follow Jesus," "Living on Mission," "Launching an Unstoppable Force," "Mentoring Disciples as Jesus Did," "Multiplying Disciple-Makers as Paul Did," "Creating a Healthy Church," and more.

America has become a beautiful mosaic filled with many colors and ethnicities—but does your church reflect this change? Are you longing to be a cross-cultural leader who can guide the church into a multicolored world for the sake of the gospel? If so, Building a Multiethnic Church will give you the tools to embrace an invigorated community of grace, love, and reconciliation. In Building a Multiethnic Church, bestselling author and pastor Dr. Derwin Gray calls all churches and their leaders to grow out of ignorance, classism, racism, and greed into a flourishing, vibrant, and grace-filled community of believers. Drawing on wisdom from the early church and the New Testament, Gray will help you understand that planting and transforming churches into multiethnic communities is a biblical calling; identify and implement the best practices to help build multiethnic churches; and recognize that reconciliation between ethnic groups in the church is not just a social issue, but a theological issue that cannot be ignored. -- Previously published as The High-Definition Leader, now revised and updated--

Muslims who come to Christ face momentous spiritual, psychological and social obstacles that drive many to abandon their faith. Often conversion and discipleship are framed by individualistic Western models that do not acknowledge the communal cultural forces that constrain and shape new believers. Effective discipleship requires a more relational, holistic process of Christian identity development and spiritual formation in community. In this comprehensive resource, missiologist Don Little engages the toughest theoretical and practical challenges involved in discipling believers from Muslim backgrounds. He draws on New Testament principles, historical practices and interviews with seasoned disciplers ministering in a dozen countries across the Muslim world. Addressed here are key challenges that believers from Muslim backgrounds face, from suffering and persecution to spiritual warfare and oppression. Also included are implications for the role of disciplers in church planting among Muslims.

What does Scripture teach about parenting? What insights can we gain from science? Bible teacher and grandparent, Dennis McCallum has taught multiple courses on parenting over his fifty years in ministry. Here, McCallum offers the crux of his courses on the subject. The relational approach stresses relationship as the key to successful parenting. Come here to learn good ideas for: Establishing and nurturing a love relationship beginning with your baby? Building on that relationship and winning further influence with toddlers? Using your influence to draw your kids to real faith? Ideas for building your family ethos during the school years? How to anticipate and prepare for the difficulties of the teen years? How to keep your family interested in relating even after the kids move out

Realize the value and blessings of participating in mentoring relationships during all stages, ages, and seasons of life. Women often don't think they know enough to be a mentor, or fear rejection if they ask someone to mentor them. Others don't think they need mentoring. However, throughout the Bible, God calls spiritually younger and older women to learn from and teach one another. Mentoring for All Seasons helps answer questions like these: •What is mentoring? •How do I find a mentor? •Why does God want us to mentor one another? •What are the blessings of mentoring? Through true stories from mentors and mentees in life seasons from tween through death—along with the author's personal experiences, helpful tips, Scriptures to study together, and biblical mentoring relationship examples—Mentoring for All Seasons encourages women to be intentional about sharing their life experiences and God's faithfulness with other women.

The ICETE Programme for Academic Leadership (IPAL) was officially established in 2010 and arose out of the need to provide training to theological institutions in different regions of the world. IPAL provides a three-year cycle of seminars for the professional development of evangelical academic leaders and administrators to help institutions in their pursuit of quality and excellence in theological education. This publication is the third and final volume intended to accompany and support the IPAL seminars as well as be an independent resource to aid theological institutions with faculty development. Faculty development is at the heart of theological education. This book lays the foundation for institutions to equip, train and release emerging academic leaders to advance their careers and improve the standards of their teaching and research. The contributors to this volume share the findings of research conducted at evangelical academic institutions in various contexts around the world so other senior administrators can enhance the quality of theological education at their own institution.

What does it mean to follow Jesus? And how should we help others become more like him? Once upon a time, being a Christian seemed clear. Say these words, pray these prayers, do these things. But out in the real world, following Jesus feels more nebulous. What's the point? That's Stephen's struggle in these pages as he wonders if he has missed his calling. In this compelling narrative, James Choung explores what it means to follow Jesus in the real world. Is Christianity something you just believe in, or can it be something you actually live out? Engineer Stephen wants to encourage his younger colleague Jared in his spiritual journey, but both feel at a loss. Stephen's friend Bridget offers insights on how Boomers, Xers, Millennials and younger generations approach spiritual questions, with implications for discipleship, community and service. Together they walk through deepening stages of faith as they discern how God is calling them to live. Join Stephen, Bridget and Jared on their journey of following Jesus, as they discover what it means to move from skeptic to world-changer. And find new pathways for Christian discipleship and discipling in a world yearning for hope.

Psychology and Spiritual Transformation in a Substance Abuse Program utilizes a five-year longitudinal study to examine the evolving psychological and spiritual condition of victims of substance abuse who were treated as part of the Lazarus Project, a Pentecostal faith-based residency program.

Over the last thirty years, many influential church leaders and church planters in America have adopted various models for reaching unchurched people. An "attractional" model will seek to attract people to a local church. Younger leaders may advocate a more "missional" approach, in which believers live and work among unchurched people and intentionally seek to serve like Christ. While each of these approaches have merit, something is still missing, something even more fundamental to the mission of the church: discipleship. Making disciples—helping people to trust and follow Jesus—is the church's God-given mandate. Devoted disciples attract people outside the church because of the change others see in their Christ-like lives. And discipleship empowers Christians to be more like Christ as they intentionally develop relationship with non-believers. DiscipleShift walks you through five key "shifts" that churches must make to refocus on the biblical mission of discipleship. These intentional changes will attract the world and empower your church members to be salt and light in their communities.

Whatever Happened to Truth? America is in the midst of a revolution in thinking that impacts every conceivable aspect of life. Postmodernism, the guiding spirit of our times, teaches that things like reason and rationality are cultural biases, and that truth--especially God's truth--doesn't exist. A society that forsakes truth believes that all lifestyles, religions, and worldviews are equally valid. The only real sin is criticizing someone else's views or moral choices. Opinions matter as much as evidence. Reality is in the mind of the beholder. Not since Charles Darwin confronted Christians with his doctrine of naturalistic evolution has the church faced a challenge for which it is so ill-prepared. We are witnessing The Death of Truth.

Jesus' command to "go make disciples" is the foundational precept of the Great Commission. Pastor Stan Gleason explores the church's critical mandate to make disciples from biblical, theoretical, and practical viewpoints. An accomplished disciple maker himself, the author encourages every believer to make disciples.

An engaging history of the Shepherding Movement, an influential and controversial expression of the charismatic renewal in the 1970s and 1980s. This neopentecostal movement, led by popular Bible teachers Ern Baxter, Don Basham, Bob Mumford, Derek Prince and Charles Simpson, became a house church movement in the United States. The Shepherding Movement is a case study of an attempt at renewing church structures. Many critics accused the movement of being authoritarian because of its emphasis on submission to a personal pastor or "shepherd" as they termed it.

We are experiencing a mentoring crisis today. One key reason is that too many women cling to an outdated formulaic idea of what mentoring is all about. When we hear the word "mentoring" we conjure up a picture that fit our experience decades ago. Then we look in the mirror and don't see an adequate mentor staring back at us. Our preconceived ideas about what today's young women want in a mentor convince us we are not qualified to be mentors--but we are wrong. What we don't realize is that younger women today are far more likely to want a relationship with that woman in the mirror than the conjured-up perfect mentor in our head. Organic Mentoring explores foundational issues that explain why beloved but outdated mentoring methods are no longer effective. The book looks at the cultural changes and fast-paced digital advancements that shape young thought and behavior but weaken the link between generations. It walks through the new values, preferences, ideas, and problems of the next generation and how these issues impact mentoring. Then the authors guide the reader through landmines to avoid and approaches that work today.

Reflecting on the practice of disciple making in young adult, college, graduate, and local church contexts, Jonathan Dodson has discerned some common pitfalls. For many, discipleship is reduced to a form of religious performance before God. For others, it devolves into spiritual license and a loose adherence to spiritual facts. Both approaches distort biblical motivations for Christian obedience and are in need of reform. By explaining various motivations for discipleship, Dodson charts a biblically faithful, grace-driven alternative. Additionally, he provides a practical model for creating gospel-centered discipleship groups—small, reproducible, missional, gender-specific groups of believers that fight for faith together. This book blends both theology and practice to inspire and equip Christians to effectively fight sin, keep Jesus central, and make gospel-centered discipleship a way of life. Both new and growing Christians will learn to trust the gospel in community as they fight together for holiness as well as how to start gospel-centered community groups in any local church.

Please post an honest review here and/or elsewhere. Thank you! Summary: Our journeys are unique, and as we get older we should be better able to help shape the following generations using our gifts and experience. Yet many would-be mentors aren't so sure about how to go about this. Past failures, pride, insecurity, lack of confidence and opportunity in a fragmented Western culture that prizes individualism have helped create seemingly insurmountable obstacles. Reliance on programs and the professionalization of ministry have tended to hinder more natural connections between the generations; systems and organizational expertise may have grown, but often at the expense of personal discipleship. Drawing on 30 years of ministry experience in four churches across three countries, my aim is to help you consider how you can better mentor an increasingly isolated generation of older teenagers and young adults – those aged roughly between 18 and 30 years. By reading this you will: 1. Gain a better understanding of the history of mentoring, and its biblical basis. 2. Better appreciate typical hindrances to effective mentoring. 3. Consider biblical characters who mentored others, and how they point us to Christ. 4. Gain clarity regarding your own unique skills, interests and knowledge. 5.

Understand the components essential to a solid mentoring relationship. 6. Recognize how you can begin to invest practically in young adults, and put yourself at God's disposal to help them.

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