



# Congregational Transformation

## GPS Suggested Resources



**A Generous Orthodoxy.** McLaren, Brian. (*Zondervan*) An encouraging look at how the disparate elements of the Christian Faith can be woven into a tapestry of understanding and inclusion under the rubric of "Emerging Church."

**From the Outside In: Connecting to the Community Around You.** Johnson, Ronald W. TCP Leadership, LHR.

**Leadership the Challenge.** Kouzes, James and Brian Z. Posner. (*Jossey-Bass*) An excellent guide to the various components of good leadership.

**Leading Congregational Change: A Practical Guide for the Transformational Journey.** Bonem, Mike and James H. Furr

**Leading the Team-Based Church.** Cladis, George. (*Jossey-Bass*) A great in-depth exploration of the Biblical, theological, and practical aspects of leading a church using teams.

**Missional Church.** Guder, Darrell. (*Eerdmans*) A wonderful introduction to how the church can be more missional - or outwardly-focused.

**Operation Inasmuch: Mobilizing Believers Beyond the Walls of the Church.** Crocker, David. TCP

**Reaching People Under 40 While Keeping People Over 60.** (*in the Columbia Partnership Series*). Hammett, Edward H. with James R. Pierce. (*Chalice Press*) Reaching People Under 40 While Keeping People Over 60 looks at the church as it seeks to function in a new world. It looks at the differences in the generations and at postmodernism-not just a generational difference but a global change.

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*- Bill Easum, Easum, Bandy & Associates.*

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**Recreating the Church: Leadership for the Postmodern Age.** (*in the Columbia Partnership Leadership Series*) Hamm, Richard L. "...asks an essential-and deeply faithful-question of the church: Where are we going? Then, through analysis and insight into both past and future, and with an unwavering commitment to the mission of the church, the author points us in the right directions, where God's Spirit is at work, where lives are being transformed and communities are finding healing and hope. It's a road map all of us in the mainline church should have... and a journey we all ought to be joining."

-Wesley Granberg-Michaelson, General Secretary, Reformed Church in America. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1 (800) 366-3383.

**Renew Your Congregation: Healing the Sick, Raising the Dead.** (*in The Columbia Partnership Leadership Series*). McConnell, William T. (*Chalice Press*) Using examples and testimonies from pastors of various denominations across the country, McConnell shows both the dangers and the delights of leading a church transformation. He explains the necessity of spiritual and organizational changes and the pain endured in making them. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1 (800) 366-3383.

**Spirited Leadership: Empowering People to Do What Matters.** Bandy, Thomas G. (*Chalice Press*) Spirited Leadership identifies the nature of leadership needed to keep organizations flexible, dynamic, and mission-centered. It challenges churches and businesses to unleash the power of their trained leaders in teams focused on the market by having a small management team focused on leader development, not on product or program development. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1 (800) 366-3383.

**The Forgotten Ways,** Hirsch, Alan. (*Brazos Press*) A challenging exploration of how the church can truly be engaged in mission in God's world.

**The Missional Leader: Equipping Your Church to Reach A Changing World.** (*Leadership Network Series*) Roxburgh, Alan, Fred Romanuk with foreword by Eddie Gibbs.

**The Present Future: Six Tough Questions for the Church.** McNeal, Reggie. (*Jossey-Bass*) A helpful and critical look at the practical and theological changes that need to take place in today's churches.

**Transform Your Church With Ministry Teams.** Ott, E. Stanley. (*Eerdmans*) A great introduction to organizing a church using teams that actually minister and offer mission to the world.

**Transforming Congregational Culture.** Robinson, Anthony B. (*Eerdmans*) A helpful analysis of how our church culture needs to and can change.

**Unbinding the Gospel: Real Life Evangelism** (*Red Ribbon*). Reese, Martha Grace with Afterword by Brian McLaren. Church Leader's Study. (*Chalice Press*) This book is among the top-selling evangelism books on Amazon.com. Thousands of congregations now use it across a dozen or more mainline Protestant denominations. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1 (800) 366-3383.

**Unbinding Your Church: Pastor's Guide** (*Green Ribbon*). Reese, Martha Grace with Dawn Darwin Weaks and Catherine Riddle Caffey, foreword by George Hunter, III. (*Chalice Press*) This collection of fully integrated resources will help your church work and pray through the Unbinding the Gospel process. Included are step-by-step planning tools as well as worship resources to allow you-the pastor-to spend time on prayer, teaching, and working directly with others in your church. The planning tools include calendars, checklists for church staff, weekly scripture tie-ins, sample church newsletter campaigns, diagrams, simple to elaborate E-vent planning suggestions, Web site ideas, specific lesson plans, and much more. Worship resources include sermons, prayers, and forms that have been placed on the Web for FREE and easy access and download. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1(800) 366-3383.

**Unbinding Your Heart: 40 Days of Prayer & Faith Sharing** (*Purple Ribbon*). Reese, Martha Grace. (*Chalice Press*) Unbinding Your Heart is a six-week individual and small-group study for your entire congregation. Church leaders should first study Unbinding the Gospel (the church leaders' study) that was selected by The Christian Century magazine as a featured "Take and Read" book in its 2007 Book Issue. Then use Unbinding Your Heart as a study and devotional for the whole congregation. Order from [www.ChalicePress.com](http://www.ChalicePress.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), or 1 (800) 366-3383.



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