

# Diocesan Resource Centre -- July 2007

## Healthy Congregations Resource list:

MEDIUM	TITLE	AUTHOR	PuB DATE	SUBJECT DESCRIPTORS	COPIES	CALL NUMBER
kit	<i>20 - 20 Vision</i>		1986?	Church growth Church planting Lay ministry	1	<b>CD K 92-3</b>
A look at church growth through the use of lay pastors and cell groups. Examines power, principles and planning for church growth.						
kit	<i>Assimilation (Incorporating new people into the life of the church)</i>		1988	Church growth Lay ministry Evangelism	1	<b>CD K 34</b>
Have you wondered why people come and go in your church? This step by step instructional manual will help give your leadership the knowledge and insight needed to be more effective in assimilating visitors, new converts, and new members into active participation in your church's body life.						
kit	<i>Church Planter's Tool Kit</i>	Logan, Robert E. and Ogne, Steven L.	1991	Church Planting Evangelism	1	<b>CD K 93-4</b>
A 2-part comprehensive training and reference tool for church planters: album with 12 audio cassettes plus backup self-study resource kit (notes).						
kit	<i>How to Handle Conflict and Change</i>	Carl George	1991	Conflict management Education Change	1	<b>CD K 93-1</b>
Teaches skills needed to identify, understand and work with conflict; determine stages, develop positive attitudes to change.						
kit	<i>How to Implement a Regional Church Planting Vision</i>	Logan, Robert E.	1993	Church Planting Evangelism	1	<b>CD K 93-5</b>
A step-by-step guide to the theory and practice of comprehensive church-planting projects.						
kit	<i>How to lead and manage the local church</i>	Logan, Robert E.	1988	Church growth Clergy-professional development Time management	1	<b>CD K 30</b>
A self-study kit designed to impart skills of planning, management and administration of the local church.						

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kit	<i>Starting small groups in your parish</i>		1991	Lay ministry	1	<b>CD</b> K 92-1
	A kit designed to guide you through the process of starting a vital small group ministry in your church - everything you always wanted to know about small groups but did not know where or who to ask.					
kit	<i>Twelve keys to an effective church</i>		1988	Church Growth	1	<b>CD</b> K 91.01
	Callahan identifies 12 features of a vibrant church based on extensive research in MAINLINE churches. A:cassettes; B:Leader's Guide; C:12 Keys to an Effective Church; D:Effective Church Leadership.					
kit	<i>Ushers and greeters</i>		1991	Hospitality-Religious aspects	1	<b>CD</b> K 92-2
	Experts agree that the first four minutes of any encounter establishes the tone for the rest of the relationship. Developing a successful usher and greeter ministry is essential to assimilating visitors into your church. Maxwell reveals the proven methods and philosophy that have made Skyline Wesleyan Church so successful.					
kit	<i>Via Media: Basic [Via Media: Episcopal tools for growth]</i>	Every Voice Network	2004	Evangelism. Church renewal. Episcopal church -- curricula. Anglican formation -- educational programs.	1	<b>CD</b> K2007.01
	The Via Media series of programs are a video enhanced curricula designed to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ Jesus. Via Media Basic combines learning styles, including video, written materials, small group discussions and large group forums, with coordinator's and facilitator's guides to planning and promoting the program to suit your particular church's needs and customs, plus participants guides to the material discussed, enhanced by video table discussions that seek answers to challenging questions in conversation and community. Grounded in the traditional Anglican perspective, rooted in the Trinity, it offers diverse, compelling witness to the unique way of being Christian that is our Anglican heritage.					
PERIODI CAL	<i>Congregations : learning, leading, changing</i>	Alban Institute	2005	Congregational development. Healthy congregations.		<b>PER</b> p28
	Spring 2005: Emerging Models of Governance. Winter 2005: Rethinking the large church.					
print	<i>A change of pastors : ... and how it affects change in the congregation.</i>	Mead, Loren B.	2005	Clergy -- appointment, call, and election. Congregational life -- change.	2	<b>M</b> b1334
	In this revised edition of "Critical moment of ministry" Mead helps clergy understand the process parish members go through in that critical time between one pastor's leaving and the new pastor's arrival and gives lay members guidance that allows them to take advantage of this fertile time for change in the congregation.					

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print	<i>A church is born:basics for starting and developing a mission congregation</i>	Rothauge, Arlin J.	*	Church Growth Mission	1	<b>CD B 520.a</b>
	Traces a mission development from an idea to self-support, taking into account the work of both the pioneers and the settlers.					
Print	<i>A handbook for multi-point parishes</i>	Rural Committee for Multi-Point Parishes (R.C.M.P.)	1992	Leadership Parish Administration Rural Churches	1 (plus 1 in Program Director's office)	<b>CD B94.03</b>
	A resource for all those who are called to leadership in parishes. Looks at expectations of clergy and laity and how to avoid beginning a ministry based on assumptions.					
print	<i>A new and right spirit: creating an authentic church in a consumer culture.</i>	Barger, Rick	2005	Church. Christianity and culture -- United States.	2	<b>CD b1553</b>
	Recognizing the spiritual needs of a success-oriented society, author Rick Barger, a Lutheran pastor, exhorts leaders to turn away from the story of our culture and to return to the story of the church, which is grounded in Christ and the resurrection. Barger, whose parish is located in the neighbourhood shaken by the Columbine shootings, tells how to create such a faith community in this step-by-step guide.					
print	<i>Against all odds : ten stories of vitality in small churches</i>	Wilson, Charles R. Davenport, Lynne	1982	Church Growth Renewal	2	<b>CD B 232</b>
	This study of ten very different small congregations is a story of enthusiasm and reassurance that will encourage small churches everywhere. Informal style which highlights the unique aspects of the congregation's life and ministry.					
print	<i>Ask, Thank, Tell: improving stewardship ministry in your congregation.</i>	Lane, Charles R.	2006	Stewardship, Christian. Stewardship ministry. Mission. Discipleship. Congregational development	2	<b>ST b1534</b>
	With an emphasis on mission -- not maintenance, discipleship -- not membership, and the giver's need to give, not the church's need to receive, this is a practical guide to developing a transformational stewardship ministry, using biblically grounded and open approach advocating a primary relationship with Jesus Christ.					

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print	<i>Becoming Barnabas; the ministry of encouragement.</i>	Moots, Paul	2004	Christian leadership. Barnabas, Apostle, Saint. Encouragement -- religious aspects -- Christianity. Clergy Renewal. Congregational development.	2	<b>M</b> b1445
A book that provides practical help for congregations of every size and setting and pastors with a variety of gifts; it offers a way to become Barnabas, the "son of encouragement" in an age when so many leaders are discouraged, moving beyond diagnosis and showing how to become Barnabas in ministries of partnership, hospitality, courage and reconciliation.						
print	<i>Beyond the worship wars : building vital and faithful worship.</i>	Long, Thomas G.	2001	Worship -- development. Church renewal. Congregational development.	1	<b>WP</b> b1255
An illuminating analysis of worship in vital and faithful churches that guides us from strategy to awe, lifting us past mere emotionalisms or entrenched traditions, calling us to genuine hospitality, gripping drama, festive creativity in music and setting and mission.						
print	<i>Can our church live? : redeveloping congregations in decline.</i>	Mann, Alice	1999	Healthy congregations. Church renewal.	1	<b>CD</b> b1284
Alice Mann offers provocative questions to consider for the process of redeveloping a congregation in decline -- a complete resource for discernment and planning, a rich tapestry of stories blended with a solid synthesis of theory.						
print	<i>Celebrate stewardship: a five-week congregational program.</i>	Johnson, Judith and Warren	2004	Church giving. Mission -- funding. Discipleship. Congregational development.	1	<b>ST</b> b1524
This program guides the congregation through five weeks that focus on the theology of stewardship and the funding of mission and ministries, locally and around the world. With model charts, bulletin and announcement samples, and resource list.						
print	<i>Christmas treasures: a collection of congregational resources for Advent/Christmas</i>	Ward, Elaine M. et al.	2003	Advent/Christmas. Congregational resources. Advent/Christmas -- Children's activities.	1	<b>CHA</b> b1551
A collection of congregational (all-inclusive) resources: Readings, litanies, Dramatic readings and testimonies, Sunday School Christmas program, plays, sermons, Children's sermons and helpful service planning based on scriptures.						

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print	<i>Church Conflict : the hidden systems behind the fights. / Charles H. Cosgrove and Dennis D. Hatfield</i>	Cosgrove, Charles H. ; Hatfield, Dennis D.	1994	Church controversies./ Family psychotherapy	1	<b>CD b1152</b>
	Reveals the hidden systems that can run church controversies and conflict, analogous to family structure, rules and games, and gives strategies for changing the system.					
print	<i>Church site and building new development:planning, designing, and financing</i>	Scales, Sherrill, Jr.	*	Church Buildings Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 542.b</b>
	Intended to aid the churches and dioceses in planning and financing the erection, improvement, and repair of churches, rectories, and parochial buildings; in refunding or payment of indebtedness incurred in the pursuit of such objectives.					
print	<i>Clergy renewal : an Alban guide to Sabbatical planning</i>	Bullock, A. Richard and Richard J. Bruesehoff	2000	Sabbatical planning. Clergy renewal. Congregational growth.	1	<b>W b1361</b>
	Planned time away from the parish for study, rest, and spiritual renewal can be beneficial - and often necessary - for any pastor, as well as for the congregation. In this thoroughly revised and expanded edition of Alban's popular Sabbatical Planning for Clergy and Congregations, Bullock and Bruesehoff provide the definitive guide to putting together refreshing pastoral sabbaticals that can help keep ministry vital and growing for the long term.					
print	<i>Conflict management in congregations / Speed B. Leas</i>	Leas, Speed B.	2001	Conflict management / group dynamics / congregational life	1	<b>CD b1155</b>
	Harvests the collected wisdom of a dozen key thinkers as well as Leas' own basics of conflict management in congregations.					
Print	<i>Congregational Development - A Resource Kit for Parish Training</i>		1989	Church Growth	1	<b>CD B44</b>
	Very similar to the later "New Members for your Church"(RC93-10), in fact, probably the forerunner. In addition to contents of RC 93-10 it includes 1-year congregational development plan (blank), and 1-year congregational development plan (sample), New Member Assimilation Rating Scale, sharing of resources on congregational development.					

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print	<i>Congregational leadership in anxious times: being calm and courageous no matter what.</i>	Steinke, Peter L.	2006	Christian leadership. Congregational life -- family systems. Stewardship.	1	<b>CD</b> <b>b1639</b>
Steinke offers more practical wisdom with wit and clarity as he looks more deeply into how to achieve healthier, more effective church leadership and transformative congregational development within the context of family systems. He combines emotional, physical psychological and spiritual functions and dynamics in accessible language to acknowledge and demystify the anxiety and imbalance of values prevalent in the surrounding culture.						
print	<i>Cooperating congregations : portraits of mission strategies/Gilson A. C. Waldkeonig and William D. Avery</i>	Waldkeonig, Gilson A. C. Avery, William D.	1999	Congregational development rural ministry	1	<b>CD</b> <b>b1117</b>
Waldkeonig provides a model and strategy for cooperative parishes with shared ministries; shares stories of such parishes in rural communities with deteriorating economic circumstances situations.						
print	<i>Creating congregations of generous people.</i>	Durall, Michael	1999	Fund-raising -- Religious aspects. Congregational development -- generosity.	1	<b>ST</b> <b>b1477</b>
This book challenges congregations to accept their responsibility to own the stewardship process and to empower people to lead more generous lives, with practical suggestions balanced with real-life cases. Durall explores how money is viewed in religious settingsdrawing on current literature, faith traditions, and his own experiences, and how to create a climate for generosity and effective fundraising over the long term.						
print	<i>Designing worship together : models and strategies for worship planning.</i>	Malefyt, Norma deWaal and Howard Vanderwell	2005	Public Worship -- planning. Church vitality.	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD</b> <b>b1291</b>
A helpful and much needed resource for plaaning worsip in new and creative ways, showing congregations how to plan, implement, and worship with theological integrity.						
print	<i>Dinosaur heart transplants : renewing mainline congregations / R. Robert Cueni</i>	Cueni, R. Robert.	2000	Church Renewal Church and Development	1	<b>CD</b> <b>b1109</b>
Based on a study conducted by R. Robert Cueni of dozens of large, mainline Protestant churches that had experienced significant renewal in recent years, which turned up several factors in the reversal of declining memebership and commitment, Cueni shares his findings, Congregations' leaders incorporate the church's story and sense of identity into a new story of change and renewal by working with strengths and moving away from weaknesses.						

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print	<i>Discerning God's will together: a spiritual practice for the Church.</i>	Morris, Danny E. and Charles M. Olsen	1997	Discernment of spirits. Church group work. God -- Will. Congregational development.	1	<b>M</b> b1653
<p>The authors explore the possibilities of using spiritual discernment in the decision-making process for individuals, small groups, religious deliberative bodies of all sizes. Comparing the systems imposed by various layers of our historical culture (instead of Robert's Rules of Order, why not "God, is this your will?") and using examples of everyday tasks as metaphors and Biblical allegory, they give practical understanding of this challenge and illustrate the difference an interactive approach can make to the experience and outcome of church work.</p>						
print	<i>Discover your conflict management style / Speed B. Leas</i>	Leas, Speed B.	1997	Conflict management /	1	<b>CD</b> b1154
<p>Leas, a senior consultant of the Alban Institute and authority on conflict in churches, helps you assess your conflict response and discover options appropriate to different levels of conflict in congregations.</p>						
print	<i>Doing Church as a team: the miracle of teamwork and how it transforms churches.</i>	Cordeiro, Wayne	2004	Church work. Spiritual gifts. Stewardship. Congregational Development. Church leadership, teamwork.	1	<b>M</b> b1643
<p>From experience in his own thriving congregation, Wayne Cordeira gives practical insight and theological basis to building teams, coming from every member having a purpose and a gift, spiritual and practical. He reminds us to remember who we are in God's plan and that there is no limit to what God can do through a church that does its ministry as a team; with helpful and inspiring concepts and methods of developing servant-leaders, building teams, and transitioning a church culture.</p>						
print	<i>Effective church finances: fundraising and budgeting for church leaders.</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	c1992 ; 1	Christian giving. Church fundraising. Congregational development. Mission.	1	<b>ST</b> b1521
<p>A practical and inspiring guideline/how-to book for planning, organizing and implementing all aspects of church finances, including a mission budget, an investment budget, a framework for campaign strategy and objectives, analysing your church's giving patterns and more, based on the principle that the stronger the congregation's mission is, the stronger the giving will be and vice versa.</p>						
print	<i>Emmaus Road : Churches making their way forward / Donna Sinclair and Christopher White</i>	Sinclair, Donna; White, Christopher	1999	Protestant Churches -- Canada. Church renewal -- Canada.	3 -- copy 1 in PEI	<b>CD</b> b1137
<p>Sequel to "Jacob's Blessing : Dreams, Hopes and visions for the Church" and further explores alternatives to the mega-church and faithful-remnant models, suggesting through case histories that church renewal and growth can occur from rediscovering the hope that the disciples on the Emmaus road thought they had lost.</p>						

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print	<i>Ending with hope: a resource for closing congregations.</i>	Gaede, Beth Ann	2002	Episcopal church -- Church closing. Congregations -- merging -- transition. Healthy congregations.	2	<b>CD b1580</b>
<p>An excellent resource for congregations facing tough decisions; whether to close and move on, and how. It gives insight into the effects on individuals, on pastors and on the group and makes suggestions for "grief ministry", discernment of new life, ending with compassion, mindful of the theological theme that resurrection follows death, and offering stories from eight denominations and practical methods for dealing with the pain and possibilities of such a transition.</p>						
print	<i>Entering the world of the small church/Anthony G. Pappas</i>	Pappas, Anthony G.	2000	Christian Leadership Ministry congregational development	1	<b>M b1115</b>
<p>The small church can be an exciting place to be in ministry; Tony Pappas offers timely applications and a realistic view of the importance of caring relationships, sustaining rituals, understanding patterns, and exploring means of grace to support spiritual leadership and ministries in our smaller churches.</p>						
print	<i>Evaluating ministry : Principles and processes for clergy and congregations</i>	Hudson, Jill M.	1998	Ministry. Clergy evaluation. Congregational development.	1	<b>M b1275</b>
<p>Jill hudson combines pragmatic and spiritual counsel for the sensitive task of clergy evaluation. Well-grounded theologically in the notion of shared ministry, this book offers proven procedures, sample procedures, and accessible resources, outlining principles in the evaluation of ministry, that can be used to strengthen the relationship between pastors and congregations.</p>						
print	<i>Evaluating your church site and building for redevelopment</i>	Scales, Sherrill, Jr.	*	Church Buildings Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 542.a</b>
<p>Prepared to help congregations within a diocese that are involved in or considering redevelopment of their existing church site and building.</p>						
print	<i>From nomads to pilgrims: stories from practicing congregations.</i>	Bass, Diana Butler and Joseph Stewart - Sicking, editors	2006	church vitality -- christian practices. Parishes -- United States. Healthy congregations	2 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1484</b>
<p>A collection of stories from pastors and congregations that have been on a pilgrimage to vitality, retrieving and reworking Christian practice, tradition and narrative; an inside look at the emerging style of congregational vitality described in "The Practicing Congregation..." of congregations centering their lives creatively and intentionally around traditional Christian practices.</p>						

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print	<i>Giving and stewardship in an effective church : a guide for every member.</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	c1992 ; 1	Christian giving. Planned giving. Congregational development.	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>ST b1352</b>
	based on the premise that money follows mission, not the reverse, and the stronger the congregation's relational characteristics, the stronger the giving, this book offers church leaders a complete guide to setting and achieving financial goals through well-planned budgeting and fundraising and healthy habits of church finances, by focusing their best creativity, leadership and energy in advancing their mission.					
print	<i>Growth by accident, death by planning : how NOT to kill a growing congregation</i>	Whitesel, Bob	2004	Church growth.	3 (1 in PEI)	<b>CD b1290</b>
	Whitesel lays out where churches that have been growing and have reached a plateau, may go wrong in their planning by ignoring the reasons they began to grow in the first place, showing that a combination of intuitive decisions and response to real circumstances and environment often result in spontaneous growth.					
print	<i>Handbook for Congregational Studies</i>	Carroll, J. W., et al.	1989	Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 1023</b>
	Places the congregation itself rather than individual scholarly disciplines at the center of congregational analysis. Provides techniques for studying the congregation as well as a framework for understanding the nature of the congregation.					
print	<i>Healing spiritual amnesia : remembering what it means to be the church</i>	Nixon, Paul	2004	Church growth. Church renewal.	2 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1289</b>
	Putting aside cliches and easy assumptions about congregational health and vitality, Paul Nixon proposes the reason for all church decline is that they have forgotten who they are, and re-affirms their reason for being: reaching out to those who do not know God in Christ, worshipping to come to the presence of God, and suggests that "spiritual amnesia comes from concerns with institutional survival and personal comfort, and can be healed by applying to contemporary culture what generations of Christians have learned.					
print	<i>Healing worship, purpose and practice.</i>	Epperly, Bruce G.	2006	Healing ministry. Congregational health care. Worship -- healing rituals. Pastoral Care. Clergy wellness. Self-care.	1	<b>H b1618</b>
	For those who take seriously the call to health and healing, this book uses real life to give a deeper understanding of miraculous healing and gives descriptions of healing worship as well as personal health enhancing practices for clergy and others. Includes practical tools for healing homilies and liturgies, theological reflection, pastoral self-care and congregational health care ministries.					

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print	<i>Health, healing and wholeness; engaging congregations in ministries of health.</i>	Chase-Ziolek, Mary	2005	Church work with the sick. Health ministries. Pastoral Care. Congregational development.	3	<b>H b1426</b>

This is a unique resource that helps to engage congregations in health care ministries, emphasizing the importance of understanding congregational culture when developing faith and health partnerships, recognizing the potential of health ministries to promote community health and utilize a community focused approach that reaches beyond the walls of the church.

print	<i>Healthy Congregations : a systems approach / Peter L. Steinke</i>	Steinke, Peter L.	2006	Healthy congregations -- Episcopal Church. Church controversies. Parishes -- psychology. System theory. Stewardship.	1	<b>CD b1150.01</b>
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In this revised edition Steinke takes readers into a deeper exploration of the congregation as an emotional system and outlines the factors that put congregations at risk for anxiety and conflict; ten principles of health, how congregations can find new ways to deal with stress, and how spiritually and emotionally healthy leaders influence the emotional system.

print	<i>Healthy Congregations : a systems approach / Peter L. Steinke</i>	Steinke, Peter L.	1996	Healthy congregations -- Episcopal Church	3 -- copy 2 in PEI	<b>CD b1150</b>
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After "How your church family works" Steinke takes your church into a deeper exploration of the congregation as an emotional system; based on ten principles of health, includes healthy ways the congregation can deal with stress, have spiritually and emotionally healthy leaders, and be aware of factors that put it at risk.

print	<i>Holy conversations: strategic planning as a spiritual practice for congregations.</i>	Rendle, Gil and Alice Mann	2003	Strategic planning -- spiritual practice.	1	<b>CD b1476</b>
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A resource for those seeking leadership and planning approaches that are theologically based and congregationally oriented rather than corporate management-based. Pastors, lay readers and judicatory staff will find helpful the distinctions in types of planning and practical outlines, roles and processes and tools for leadership in congregational development, mission studies and pastoral transitions.

print	<i>How to build a magnetic church</i>	Miller, Herb	1987	Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 1005</b>
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A look at churches which reveals: 9 secrets of a 'magnetic' church, insights and ideas from a survey of 1450 new church members, creative ways to draw new members and keep old ones, etc.

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print	<i>How to hit the ground running : a quick-start guide for congregations with ne w leadership.</i>	Michell, Neal O.	2005	Leadership. Congregations -- transition. Ministry -- transition.Faith community	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1294</b>
	For the new rector or pastor, or principle lay leaders, this user-friendly work-book style program takes the new paster, vestry or leadership bodies from one month prior to the new leader's arrival through the first eighteen months afterward, giving step-by-step suggestions for how the sometimes stalled and directionless period of transition in a faith community can be made dynamic and purposeful -- a time of true congregational development.					
print	<i>How we seek God together : exploring worship style</i>	Clark, Linda J., Swenson, Joanne and Stamm, Mark	2001	Worship style / Congregational development		<b>WP b1131</b>
	A help to today's pastors in leading congregations in their efforts to improve worship experience through the use of music. Examines worship style of three different churches; their unique congregational identities; gives excercises.					
print	<i>How your church family works: understanding congregations as emotional systems.</i>	Steinke, Peter L.	2006	Parishes -- psychology. Church controversies, conflicts. Systems theory. Stewardship.	1	<b>CD b1640</b>
	Drawing on the work of Bowen and Friedman and on his own counseling experience, steinke shows how to recognize and to deal with the emotional roots of issues such as church conflict, leadership roles, congregational change, irresponsible behaviour and the effects of family of origin on current relationships.					
print	<i>Incorporation of new members in the Episcopal Church:A manual for clergy and lay leaders</i>	Mann, Alice B.	1983	Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 91-5</b>
	Commissioned by the Alban Inst. for clergy and laity who want parishes to do a more faithful and effective work of drawing people into a deep and lasting relationship with Christ and his Church.					
print	<i>Leading change in the congregation : spiritual and organizational tools for leaders.</i>	Rendle, Gilbert R.	1998	Ministry -- leadership. Congregational life -- change.	2	<b>CD b1335</b>
	In this revised edition of "Critical moment of ministry" Mead helps clergy understand the process parish members go through in that critical time between one pastor's leaving and the new pastor's arrival and gives lay members guidance that allows them to take advantage of this fertile time for change in the congregation.					

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print	<i>Leading leaders : empowering church boards for ministry excellence.</i>	Malphurs, Aubrey	2005	Christian Leadership. Church management. Church committees. Congregational development. Lay ministry.	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>M b1287</b>
<p>Malphurs offers workable strategies to train laypeople to successfully lead their churches and provides practical evaluation tools, but a plan for developing a church board that can accomplish defined and vital goals without previous leadership training.</p>						
print	<i>Leading with vision.</i>	Galloway, Dale et al.	1999	Leadership -- pastoral. Church development. Congregational development.	1	<b>M b1317</b>
<p>For the pastor to be equipped to deal with the rapid changes in ministry and in society in the past 15 years, a group of speakers have come together with the Beeson Institute of Leadership and compiled this collection of quality leadership tools, principles and concepts, based on the premise that churches cannot be led or developed successfully without planning, passion and a vision for the future.</p>						
print	<i>Mastering Outreach and Evangelism</i>	Augsburger, Myron Ratz, Calvin Tillapaugh, Frank	1990	Outreach / Congregational development	1	<b>EV B 91-19</b>
<p>Identifies the challenges of leading a church to significant, people-centered outreach. How to get a congregation focusing outward and committed to making a difference. Excellent tool for motivating people.</p>						
print	<i>Miracle in Darien</i>	Slosser, Bob	1979	Christian biography -- Terry Fullam. Church renewal. Congregational development.		<b>CD b93.10</b>
<p>The story of a priest named Terry Fullam who made St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Darien, Connecticut the fastest growing church in the country. Accepting his pastorship there on one condition -- that Christ be the true head of the church, he began the astounding renewal and revival of an entire congregation.</p>						
print	<i>More Than Numbers: The Way Churches Grow</i>	Mead, Loren B.	1993	Church Growth Evangelism Spiritual Life	1	<b>CD b 97-4</b>
<p>Loren B. Mead explores what church growth and evangelism really mean in a time when it is mathematically impossible for every congregation in every location to achieve significant numerical growth. His vision of church growth expands to include justice, pastoral care, and spirituality.</p>						

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print	<i>Moving towards wholeness</i>	Rinehart, Dirk T.	1984	Ministry / Community	1	<b>CD B 1094</b>
	A handbook for congregations seeking guidance in becoming more authentic ministering communities.					
print	<i>Natural Church Development ; a guide to eight essential qualities of healthy churches/Christian A. Schwarz</i>	Schwarz, Christian A.	2000; c1	Church Growth congregational development	1	<b>CD b1114</b>
	Christian A. schwarz is head of the Institute for Natural Church Development in Germany. Based on the results of a comprehensive study involving 1000 churches in 32 countries, he presents practical conclusiond about why churches grow, to help church leaders assess and revitalize their congregations.					
print	<i>New hope for congregations</i>	Mead, Loren B. Fenhagen, James C. Hahn, Celia A.	1972	Church renewal.. Group Dynamics. Communication	1	<b>CD B 526</b>
	B 526.a: Offers information about parish dynamics: how clergy and laity interact, difficulties of church committees in decision making and taking action, how changes affect parishioners, etc. B 526.b: A collection of six stories about six real churches, along with discussion ideas, questions, etc.					
print	<i>New Members for Your Church:A Project in Congregational Development</i>		Revised 1	Church growth	3	<b>CD B093.10</b>
	Congregational development as evangelism/church growth. A kit with information to enable parishes to grow and renew their congregational life and call to ministry by reaching out to the lapsed and unchurched, assimilating new members. Includes Bible study, statistics, planning sheets, and a one-year plan for church growth. For use in the parish in a workshop setting by parish teams who have done preparatory work.					
print	<i>One Generation from Extinction? : Conversations on Congregational vitality with George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury -- study guide</i>		1995	Congregational Development Mission	1	<b>EV B95.03</b>
	Study guide to accompany video: A group study for parishes based on conversations with George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, videotaped live in June, 1994 during his visit to Canada. The Archbishop speaks with Valerie Pringle and the studio audience. The study has been divided into three sessions, with optional formats, depending on length of session preferred. The material is designed for team leadership of at least two people. Additional copies of the study guide are available from A.B.C.					

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print	<i>Open Space Technology : a user's guide</i>	Owen, Harrison	1997	Decision-making, Group. Spatial behaviour. Congresses and conventions -- planning.	1	<b>CD b1286</b>
	A hands-on, detailed description of facilitating Open Space Technology (OST) by the originator of the method for organizing and getting effective communication and results from meetings from 5 to 1,000 people. OST is based on the principal that the circle is the most effective configuration for group communication -- but the book offers more, that is, practical, step-by-step easily repeatable strategies for dealing with hugely complex issues.					
print	<i>Organizing for evangelism : planning an effective program for witnessing / by Alvin C. Rueter</i>	Rueter, Alvin C.	1983	Evangelism. Witnessing. Congregational life.	1	<b>EV b1147</b>
	Part of an organizational guideline series; all publications have been field-tested in congregations by the American Lutheran Church.					
print	<i>Our Community: dealing with conflict in our congregation</i>	Lang, Susan M.	2002	Healthy Congregations. Christian Community. Conflict -- church groups.	1	<b>CD b1621</b>
	acknowledging that conflicts will arise in congregations, so, instead of trying to prevent it, the author offers a way to develop skills to make sense of past controversy, better understand a current situation, prevent the unhealthy escalation of conflict, and promote forgiveness and healing. The book includes reproducible tools such as "Hooks and Hot spots" and self-assessment guides, that can also be downloaded and customized.					
print	<i>Parish Administration:An Emerging Ministry</i>	Wilson, Charles R.	1990	Parish Administration / Congregational development. Lay Ministry	1	<b>PA B 91.09</b>
	A manual for those concerned with effective support services for congregational ministries.					
print	<i>Parish enrichment weekend</i>		n.d.	Parish Enrichment / handbooks, manuals	1	<b>CD B 1099</b>
	A handbook for doing a parish enrichment weekend, including tentative schedule of events, guidelines for talks, etc.					
print	<i>Paths of Leadership</i>	LePeau, Andrew T.	1983	Christian Leadership. Christian Life.	1	<b>CD B 531</b>
	Focuses on the ways anyone can be a leader. Explains how Christian growth takes place in an environment of serving, following, facilitating, teaching, modeling and envisioning. Demonstrates that good leadership is a group effort.					

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print	<i>Paying attention: focusing your congregation on what really matters.</i>	Peluso-Verdend, Gary E.	2005	Attention -- religious aspects -- Christianity. Healthy Congregations. Meditations.	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1425</b>

In a world of fast-paced technology, distractions and novelty watch-words that are carried over to church life in the form of easy-step guides to Christian community, this book explores the deeper questions and challenges to being present to God and neighbour. Based on the ancient principle that attention is the origin of faith, hope and love, it offers meditations on Jesus and attention, theological conversations, and practices, frameworks and leadership in an attentive congregation.

print	<i>Practicing right relationship: skills for deepening purpose, finding fulfillment, and increasing effectiveness in your congregation.</i>	Sellon, Mary K. and Daniel P. Smith	2005	Interpersonal relations -- religious aspects -- Christianity. Healthy congregations.	2	<b>CD b1428</b>
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A practical approach to helping pastors and congregations learn how to live out love in right relationship with self, with each other and with God; the authors present theories, stories, tools and excercises so that anyone can improve skills in building and practicing right relationships that enable our interactions to manifest God's love and care.

print	<i>Raising the roof; the pastoral to program-size transition.</i>	Mann, Alice	2001	Ministry -- Leadership. Church growth.	2	<b>CD b1437</b>
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In this resource designed specifically for a congregational learning team, Alice Mann addresses the transitional difficulties encountered by individuals and parishes. The book features a five-step process and resources, and also includes a discussion of a major new concept, passive barriers to growth. The resource also features Mann's "System Change Index" tool to help congregations measure their progress along the way.

print	<i>Reclaiming the great commission: a practical model for transforming denominations and congregations.</i>	Payne, Bishop Claude E. and Hamilton Beazley	2001	Church Renewal. Evangelism. Mission. Stewardship. Lay ministry.	1	<b>CD b1555</b>
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This book describes a biblically based model that can restore the missionary power of first-century Christianity to twenty-first century denominations and their congregations. Based on shared vision and mission, the model can guide the members of any congregation or denomination into deeper and broader evangelism, an enhanced experience of community, and a renewed hope of personal and spiritual transformation

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print	<i>Re-creating the Church : communities of Eros./</i> <b>Pamela Dickey Young</b>	Young, Pamela Dickey	2000	Church Growth Feminist Theology Congregational Development	1	<b>CD b1113</b>
<p>To have relevance in the twenty-first century, the church will have to find ways to renew, encourage, and bring spiritual nourishment; Young offers the keys to addressing and balancing two basic human needs, the need to flourish, and the need for right relationship to allow others to flourish. Communities of eros are those that find ways to embody what Jesus means today.</p>						
print	<i>Rerouting the Protestant mainstream : sources of growth and opportunities for change /</i> <b>C. Kirk Hadaway and David A. Roozen</b>	Hadaway, C. Kirk; Roozen, David A.	1995	Liberalism (Religion) -- Protestant churches -- History -- 20th century. Church growth.	1	<b>CD b1135</b>
<p>a tightly focused analysis of trends, denominational influences, and directions for the future. Demonstrates that, as the alternative to fixing "theology" and "educating for leadership", churches grow when they "affirm and experience the presence of God in worship".</p>						
print	<i>Revitalizing congregations : refocusing and healing through transitions.</i>	Avery, William O.	2002	Interim ministry. Healthy congregations. Church renewal.	1	<b>CD b1285</b>
<p>A gathering of six congregations' stories from different denominations and diverse theological perspectives, illustrating how each one used a trained interim pastor and a specific process to address a crisis by focusing on improving the health of the congregation;a; a testament to the value of intentional interim ministry.</p>						
print	<i>Sharing Wisdom : A process for group decision making; A Guide to being and Building Church/</i> <b>Mary Benet McKinney, O.S.B.</b>	McKinney, Mary Benet	1987	Church Growth Christian Leadership Group dynamics Congregational Development Parish ministry / gifts Church Development	1	<b>CD b1111</b>
<p>In a church that treasures collegiality, decision making is a process of sharing wisdom. Taking into account the faith dimension for group decision making in a religious context, the author proposes a model for decision making that is specifically Christian.</p>						
print	<i>Sizing up a congregation for new member ministry</i>	Rothauge, Arlin J.	*	Church Growth Mission	1	<b>CD B 520.b</b>
<p>Assumes that any size church is the right size, and any size church can attract new members, however, the most effective means of attracting new members varies with the size of the church.</p>						

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print	<i>Small, strong congregations: creating strengths and health for your congregation.</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	2000	Small churches. Healthy congregations.	2	<b>CD b1519</b>
<p>With wisdom and affirmation, Callahan acknowledges the growing trend toward deliberately small congregations and offers practical advice for church leaders. He offers his vision of the future, a place where mega-churches may still exist but the vast majority of people will be in small, strong congregations, and shows how these can become self-reliant, self-sufficient, compassionate and mission oriented vital entities when they focus their energies on their spirit, strengths and distinctive values.</p>						
print	<i>Speaking about money: reducing the tension.</i>	Vincent, Mark L.	2001	Church finances. Congregational Development. Mission. Fund-raising. Church leadership.	1	<b>ST b1642</b>
<p>Instructional and inspired work for clergy and congregations, this is also a useful guidebook about openly sharing about money as Jesus did. It explains Christian beliefs about money, how people construct perceptions about prosperity and poverty, relating worship and money, the leader's role and the congregation's role in breaking the silence about money; with sermons, talks, sample programs, stories and Bible references throughout.</p>						
print	<i>Successful Home Cell Groups</i>	Cho, Paul Yonggi	1981	Groups/Group Dynamics Renewal	1	<b>CD B 177</b>
<p>The author shares the concept of home cell groups and the success this method can have in the renewal of ministry in your church. The book discusses the definition of 'home cell groups', obstacles to cell groups, a Farm of Missionary work; how to establish cell groups, etc.</p>						
print	<i>Tell it like it is: reclaiming the practice of testimony.</i>	Daniel, Lilian	2006	Witness bearing -- Christianity. Congregational development. Christian testimony.	2	<b>EV b1485</b>
<p>With candor, theological insight, and pastoral wisdom, Daniel describes how testimony can deeply affect and finally transform the life of a congregation.</p>						
print	<i>Telling the story of the local church: the who, what, when, where, why of Communication</i>	Sumrall, Velma Germany, Lucille	1979	Communication Media	2	<b>CD B 539</b>
<p>Opens up new avenues of ministry by putting to use the instruments of mass communication. A must for anyone who believes that evangelism can be more than one-to-one communication. For the non-professional.</p>						

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print	<i>The communicating congregation: a handbook</i>	Petrea, Raymond A. Jahsmann, Allan	1984	Communication Audiovisual Materials Media	1	<b>CD B 519</b>
	A parish resource for: communications committee, whoever prepares the bulletin, newsletter editor, clergy, church council, evangelism committee, education committee, etc.					
print	<i>The coracle: rebuilding the common life</i>	The Iona Community	1988	Church Growth. Intentional community.	1	<b>CD B 1034</b>
	Foundation documents of the Iona Community in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the Iona Community.					
print	<i>The equipping pastor ; a systems approach to congregational leadership</i>	Stevens, Paul R. and Phil Collins	1993	Ministry -- leadership. Congregational leadership. Every member ministry.	1	<b>CD b1261</b>
	An essential book for pastors who want to take the vocation of their church members seriously. Drawing on a rich understanding of social process, leadership styles, and systems theory, the authors offer ten specific ways in which equipping pastors can empower the laity for mission.					
print	<i>The Future that has come: new possibilities for reaching and growing the grass roots.</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	2002	Church renewal. Stewardship. Mission. Church leadership.	1	<b>CD b1641</b>
	Callahan offers clear insights with careful attention to detail and practical and technological understanding of the seven major paradigm shifts that have happened in recent years and new possibilities open to building healthy, strong congregations, to encouraging grass roots people to develop a healthy constructive approach to their mission.					
print	<i>The inviting church: a study of new member assimilation</i>	Oswald, Roy M. Leas, Speed B.	1987	Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 91-4</b>
	The authors, a Lutheran pastor and United Church of Christ minister, have captured the keys to assimilating new members with a fine balance between sound theology and practical counsel.					
print	<i>The Minister is Leaving</i>	Hahn, Celia A.	*	Clergy Church Growth	1	<b>CD B 527</b>
	Consists of 14 case studies which made use of professional consultation in the course of their search process. A must-read for anyone facing this important problem.					

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print	<i>The Once and Future Church: Reinventing the Congregation for a New Mission Frontier</i>	Mead, Loren B.	1991	Church Growth Lay Ministry	1	<b>CD b 97-3</b>
	Mead takes a broad and insightful look at past and present changes in the church and postulates a future to which those changes are calling us - Mead's vision of congregational mission in the next century.					
print	<i>The plight of the Rural Church / R. Alex Sim</i>	Sim, R. Alex	1990	Rural churches -- Canada / Community life / Sociology, Christian	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1160</b>
	The author presses for a renewed emphasis on "the spiritual content of rural living and a vigorous statement of rural values" to have the rural church take on a new role as a distinctive rural institution to prevent decline and fulfill its prophetic mission.					
print	<i>The power of asset mapping: how your congregation can act on its gifts.</i>	Snow, Luther K.	2004	Church management. Social surveys. Mission of the Church. Church work -- laity. Spiritual gifts. Stewardship.	1	<b>CD b1554</b>
	Asset mapping isn't a new system or theory. It's a way of thinking, a doorway into an "open-sum" perspective rooted in the Bible and common experience. Written by long-time community developer, Luther K. Snow, shows congregational leaders how to help a group recognize its assets and the abundance of God's gifts and to act on them in ministry and mission. Congregations will find the book easy to read and immediately useful.					
print	<i>The Purpose Driven Church : growth without compromising your message and mission.  Rick Warren</i>	Warren, Rick	1995	Church Growth Evangelistic work church health	1	<b>CD b1112</b>
	rick Warren shares a proven five-part strategy that will enable your church to grow, based on the belief that in order for a church to be healthy, it must become a purpose-driven church, built around the five New Testament purposes given to the church by Jesus.					
print	<i>The Vibrant Church</i>	Ott, Stanley E.	1989	Lay Ministry	1	<b>CD B 91-20</b>
	A people-building plan for congregational health that builds people through nurturing, discipleship and lay ministry.					

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print	<i>The Wounded minister: healing from and preventing personal attacks.</i>	Greenfield, Guy	2001	Clergy -- abuse of. Clergy -- psychology. Church controversies. Church conflict. Healing. Congregational development.	1	<b>M</b> b1651

This resource will help wounded people of all ministerial positions learn how to recover, handle personality conflicts, intermittent discord, and "pathological antagonists" that can be present in congregations and organizations spanning every denomination. With a mix of personal experience and in-depth research, the author takes a proactive look at pastoral abuse, gives preventive medicine and healing recovery methods, and provides guidelines on how sensitive Christians can develop a church structure that protects pastors from this tragedy that can ruin ministry, damage health and shatter faith.

print	<i>Transforming Congregations for the Future</i>	Mead, Loren	1994	Church Growth Spiritual Life Lay Ministry	1	<b>CD</b> b 97-2
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In this sequel to his "The Once and Future Church" Loren Mead picks up where he left off. If God is calling the church to reshape itself, where do we begin? On what basis should we build? Mead focuses on what he sees as the essential task and age-old call of the church-- living and breathing the good news promise of spiritual transformation for all to see.

print	<i>Twelve keys to an effective church: strategic planning for mission</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	1997	Church growth -- planning. Church management. Mission. Outreach. Church -- strategic planning.	1	<b>CD</b> b1535.01
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Callahan offers a comprehensive yet realistic strategy for moving a church from maintenance to mission through a methodical and theologically based method of planning that counts twelve essential elements for effectiveness, and identifies the characteristics of long-range planning diagnostic, strategic, hopeful, responsible and courageous. This is the core reference book in a set of four.

print	<i>Twelve keys to an effective church: the leader's guide</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	1997	Church growth -- planning. Church management. Mission. Outreach. Church -- strategic planning.	1	<b>CD</b> b1535.02
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This leader's guide to using "Twelve Keys to an effective church" includes an outline of four stages and six sessions, with timelines objectives, invitational questions, motivational resources, prayer and the dynamics of strategic planning in church groups. This is the second reference book in a set of four.

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print	<i>Twelve keys to an effective church: the planning workbook.</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	1997	Church growth -- planning. Church management. Mission. Outreach. Church -- strategic planning.	1	<b>CD b1535.03</b>
<p>This is the planning workbook for the leader's use with "Twelve Keys to an effective church" -- includes implementation charts, and materials for planning the four stages of the program in a way that fits your church, timeframes and numbers of people -- follows the four stages. This is the third book in a set of four.</p>						
print	<i>Twelve keys to an effective church: The study guide</i>	Callahan, Kennon L.	1997	Church growth -- planning. Church management. Mission. Outreach. Church -- strategic planning.	1	<b>CD b1535.04</b>
<p>This is the study guide for participants' use with "Twelve Keys to an effective church" -- structured after the 12 keys in 6 sessions, it involves study questions and scriptural references for each "key" to an effective church . This is the fourth book in a set of four.</p>						
print	<i>Uncovering your church's hidden spirit.</i>	Hahn, Celia Allison	2001	Congregational spirituality. Church discernment. Spiritual Gifts.	1	<b>CD b1116</b>
<p>Celia Hahn reports the results of a careful study on congregational spirituality, by telling stories of several parishes and their experiences in spiritual growth and direction and presenting a model for church discernment and fostering spiritual gifts.</p>						
print	<i>User friendly evaluation : improving the work of pastors, programs and laity.</i>	Woods, C. Jeff	1995	Ministry. Lay ministry. Leadership. Organizational effectiveness. Church renewal. Congregational development.	1	<b>CD b1226</b>
<p>Woods provides easy-to-use tools for beginning the process of renewal, such as "Church Distinctiveness Survey" and "Church Reewal Diagnosis Instrument" and bases the desired outcomes on "awakening", "reformation" and "mission" giving each congregation personalized tools for effective futuring.</p>						
print	<i>What's Theology got to do with it? Convictions, vitality, and the church.</i>	Robinson, Anthony B.	2006	Theology, practical -- United States. Protestant churches -- United States. Christian faith -- Church vitality.	2 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1475</b>
<p>An examination, both instructional and provocative, of ways in which theology can be used, not as a mere abstract exercise, but to reclaim and think more accurately about the fundamental convictions of Christian faith. With a rigorous approach to congregational life, it returns theology to the centre of pastoral ministry to help laity and clergy alike build a more vital community of faith.</p>						

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print	<i>When God speaks through change : preaching in times of congregational transition</i>	Saterlee, Craig A.	2005	Church renewal. Change -- religious aspects -- Christianity	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD b1292</b>
A helpful and much needed resource for planning worship in new and creative ways, showing congregations how to plan, implement, and worship with theological integrity.						
print	<i>Where 20 or 30 are gathered: leading worship in the small church</i>	Bush, Peter and Christine O'Reilly	2006	Small churches. Public worship. Healthy congregations.	2	<b>CD b1518</b>
A comprehensive analysis of the nature of small congregations, their uniqueness and their commonalities, with vital and practical suggestions for effective ministry in the small church, taking into account the intimate relationships, the personal call to worship, and the pastor's challenge to be both traditional and flexible in leading a small congregation. Includes suggestions for music, stories and prayers.						
print	<i>Who is our church? Imagining congregational identity.</i>	Cawley, Janet R.	2006	Church management. Social surveys. Group identity.	1	<b>CD b1552</b>
Author Janet R. Cawley is an ordained minister in the United Church of Canada who has wide and varied experience working with congregations in transition. The book offers creative, engaging, and faithful ways to explore identity, and demonstrates how to use a congregation's knowledge of its self to generate options for future mission.						
print	<i>You only have to die : leading your congregation to new life</i>	Harnish, James A.	2004	Church Renewal. Church growth. Mission of the Church.	2	<b>CD b1288</b>
Harnish shows how God calls a congregation to a specific mission and it only has to be willing to die to its entrenched attitudes to be resurrected to new life and ministry. Relating the congregation to an entity with a sick heart, he provides stories/examples, vision, and practical steps to discernment and transformation, coining the term "congregational cardiomyopathy" and aptly choosing scripture and prayer to guide the process.						
print	<i>Your brain goes to church: neuroscience and congregational life.</i>	Sitze, Bob	2005	Pastoral psychology. Brain -- Religious aspects -- Christianity	1	<b>CD b1652</b>
This is an excellent resource for thinking about the faith and behaviour of congregations from a scientific perspective that engages the reader in the relationship between brain science and theology -- "neurotheology". Using Bible references as analogies, Sitze explores distinctions between belief and knowledge, giving new insight into congregational behaviour, and showing what growth and development can happen when all sides of human nature, healthy or broken, is taken into account.						

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print	<i>Your church can thrive : making the connections that build healthy congregations.</i>	Percy, Harold	c2003	Church growth / Church membership	1	<b>CD</b> b1129
Helps congregations answer critical questions about how their church can grow and assists the reader with the crucial issue of motivation and making strategic assessments of the people it is most likely to reach.						
video	<i>Congregational Development</i>		1991/93	Hospitality Visitation (Church Work) Volunteers	4	<b>CD</b> V 91-4
The first three segments of this 6-part video are intended to stimulate discussion about the nature of of congregational development and its application to the viewer's parish, the ways in which the congregation might reach out to non-members who approach or visit the parish for baptisms, weddings or funerals and the nurture of parish volunteers. The segments: "Sidespersons and greeters" and "Visitors to newcomers" are each designed to to be used in a workshop setting and include role plays. The last segment "Drop-out track" is intended to help viewers understand why parish members become inactive and how to minister to them.						
video	<i>Healthy Congregations</i>		1997	Stress Conflict Management	1	<b>CD</b> V 98-2
A two-part dramatic presentation which demonstrates the role of leaders in dealing with anxiety. Part 1: The Anxious Congregation, which reacts rather than responds. Part 2: The Responsible Congregation, whose leaders respond with calm and steady leadership. Dr. Steinke's commentary teaches the critical characteristics of a congregation that responds well to challenges.						
video	<i>Sharpening the focus of the church</i>		nd	Bible study / Church development	1	<b>CD</b> V 159.a-b
Looks at the Biblical ideal of the church and how to achieve it.						
VIDEO	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	Anglican Church of Canada	nd (befor	Worship and music / congregational development	1	<b>WP</b> V2001.03
A group workshop to assist musicians and local congregations to encourage or develop music for worship that is appropriate to the personality of the congregation.						
video	<i>What is parish</i>		1985	Church growth	1	<b>CD</b> V 192
A study programme about the relationship between the local parish, the diocese, and the church universal. (A Roman Catholic production.)						

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video	<i>What size should we be? : visioning the in-between church.</i>	Mann, Alice	2000	Church renewal. Healthy congregations. Church visioning.	3 (1 copy in PEI)	<b>CD V2005.04</b>

This video incorporates and expands on many of the idea's in Alice Mann's book "The In-Between Church : navigating size transitions in congregations" but is designed as a stand-alone resource. It presents theory of size transition, steps for exploring what has been happening in a church's transition and possible solutions to continue carrying out their ministry. Includes four foundation sessions and three special issues sessions; study guide provides provocative questions for church leaders and active members, thoroughly covering the topics in the video, and gives suggestions for preparation for each session.

video	<i>Your church can grow</i>		1984	Church growth	1	<b>CD V 264</b>
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A video seminar on church growth with Dr. C. Peter Wagner.