
Resources to help your church discern its time and place:



What is your congregation's DNA?

By investigating a church's founding mission — its DNA — today's leaders can reconnect with the congregation's history to help it grow and thrive.

https://faithandleadership.com/what-your-congregations-dna?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Investigate%20church%20history.&utm_campaign=tc_newsletter



Pandemic restrictions can push our church practices to become more local

As churches were forced online, researchers found that congregations actually began to dial into the local needs of their communities.

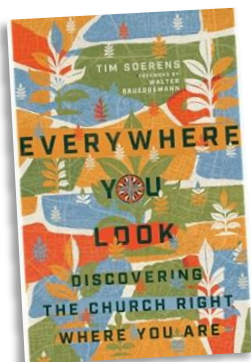
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A faith-based design lab teaches churches how to help their communities flourish

With the help of The Impact Guild design lab, a church in San Antonio is able to dream big and start small as it leverages little-used assets for the neighborhood.

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Everywhere You Look: Discovering the Church Right Where You Are

by Tim Soerens

What's the point of the church anyway? The emerging generation is opting out of the church in large numbers. They're embarrassed at how the church is portrayed in the media and dismayed at what appears to be their options for participation. Is church really necessary anymore? Is it even possible?

<https://www.ivpress.com/everywhere-you-look>



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Church Asset Mapping:

Asset Based survey of a church's gifts, knowledge and talents, and what it has to offer it's neighbors. Chalmers Center.

<https://chalmers.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/church-asset-mapping.pdf>



Center for Community Transformation Resources

Start-up awards for starting a business at your church to employ people with barriers

<https://cctfresno.org/social-enterprise/>

Scholarships for helping someone in your church start their own microbusiness

<https://cctfresno.org/micro-enterprise/>

Process for helping your church get certified to provide Christ-centered financial literacy courses for low-moderate income people <https://cctfresno.org/faith-finances/>

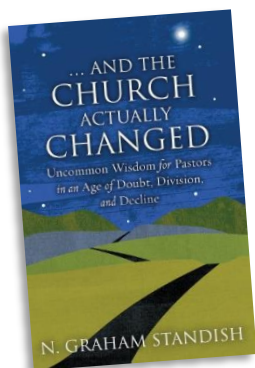
New Skills for a New Era – recording pf previous training sessions designed to help Central Valley congregations thrive - <https://cctfresno.org/lilly-endowment-new-skills-for-a-new-era/>



Five Signs of the Parish Movement:

Curious about your current level of engagement? Get a downloadable PDF that you can use to assess your current level of engagement with the 5 signs and how you can grow more fully into being a parish practitioner.

<https://www.parishcollective.org/5signs>



... And the Church Actually Changed

Uncommon Wisdom for Pastors in an Age of Doubt, Division, and Decline

By N. Graham Standish

. . . And the Church Actually Changed addresses issues brought up by clergy themselves in his coaching work with them. Using an integrative approach to ministry, Standish draws on insights from counseling, spiritual direction, organizational development, and other fields. Each chapter addresses a significant clergy leadership issue

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