

**WORSHIP RESOURCES**

- March 9 – Ash Wednesday  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/491](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/491)
- April 17 – Palm Sunday  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/160](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/160)
- April 21 – Maundy Thursday  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/161](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/161)
- April 22 – Good Friday  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/162](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/162)
- April 24 – Easter  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/163](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/163)
- May 1 – Many Peoples Sunday  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1436](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1436)
- June 12 – Pentecost  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/164](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/164)

## They're back! Live for Peace Toques


Buy your winter toque from the Resource Centre (only \$5.00, plus taxes and shipping) – and promote peace! See [www.liveforpeace.org](http://www.liveforpeace.org) for more peacemaking stories and information.





### We're changing the Update.

Fewer Hyperlinks are included in this PDF version. Rather, to view all the resources highlighted in this month's Update, check one online location [www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1390](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1390) We trust that website viewing will be easier for you!

### MAKE THE MOST OF THIS UPDATE:

 **Circulate** widely – to librarian, pastor, worship planners, education coordinator, and church secretary

 **Invite** friends/committee members to subscribe:  
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/347](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/347)

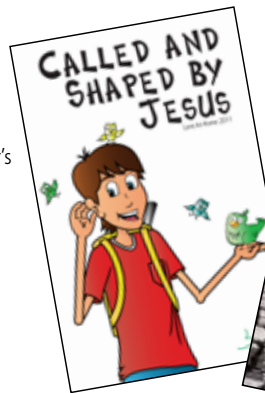
 **Submit** your own original worship service or congregational event for inclusion here and on the web



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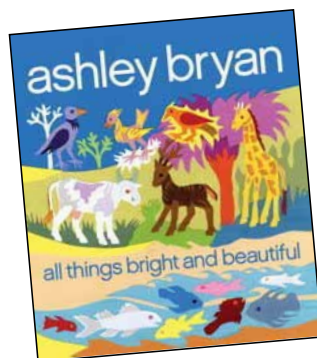
Meet these new friends in this year's *Lent At-Home* booklet, devotional material for families through the Lenten season. New this year: special colouring sheets - great at home or at church!



**2011 Season of Prayer**  
*Faith and Hope in the Midst of Changing Times* by Dan Epp-Tiessen. Use in worship, small group or personal devotion. Free download.

### Children's Corner

home, Sunday School or Sunday morning storyteller



### All Things Bright and Beautiful

by Cecil F. Alexander, Simon & Schuster, 2010.

Based on the famous hymn by Cecil Alexander, the brightly coloured collage images come to a climax in a gorgeous, double-page spread of two young girls, one black, one white, celebrating who they are and what they see in the world: children, flowers, mountains, trees, stars, the moon, and the sun. Using the musical score printed on the last page, grown-ups can sing along as they share the book with young kids, who will want to point to the small details in every scene even as they absorb the sweeping sense of the interconnected world.

## Website Window

Links worth noting

**Our catalogue links you to many websites – here are some recent additions:**



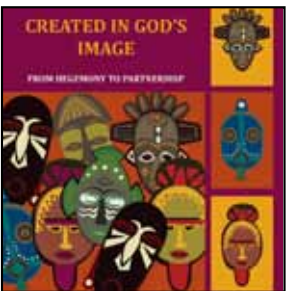
[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1463](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1463)  
*Nonviolence for the Violent* - Walter Wink's explanation of the "Third Way" of Jesus, illustrating practical applications of "turn the other cheek", "offer your coat as well", and "go the second mile."



[www.youtube.com/user/RocktheTalk](http://www.youtube.com/user/RocktheTalk)  
*The last 100 years of non-violence*—A very brief introduction to the last 100 years of large-scale nonviolent action – and the challenge: How will you play a part in making the next 100 years of history?



[www.myspace.com/video/vid/23146462](http://www.myspace.com/video/vid/23146462)  
*A Second Glance* – Jim and Lorrain Amstutz introduce Anabaptism, discuss restorative justice principles and an Anabaptist understanding of nonviolence.



[www.wcrc.ch/sites/default/files/PositiveMasculinitiesGenderManual\\_0.pdf](http://www.wcrc.ch/sites/default/files/PositiveMasculinitiesGenderManual_0.pdf)  
*Created in God's Image* – An online manual that explores concepts of masculinity and gender with the aim of enabling men to become more conscious of gender as it affects their own lives as well as those of women.

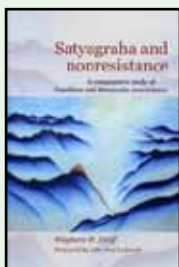
✉ Do you have any sites to recommend?

## From our Partners



### **AMBS iTunes U: Select Chapels, Public Lectures, Course Materials**

Listen to AMBS presentations from a distance – select courses, public lectures, and chapels, now all on iTunes!



### **Satyagraha and Nonresistance: A Comparative Study of Gandhian and Mennonite Nonviolence**

by Weyburn W. Groff, Institute of Mennonite Studies, 2010.

A comparison between Mennonite nonresistance and the Gandhian movement's exercise of satyagraha, nonviolent resistance.

## From our Churches

Original materials from our constituency



### **Ordination Service: North Star Mennonite Church**

by Emily Toews & Jerry Buhler, North Star Mennonite, 2010.

Pastor Emily Toews' ordination service at North Star Mennonite Church in Drake, Saskatchewan, 2010. Includes the worship service and the Covenant of Ordination.

✉ Share your church's original material at [resources@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:resources@mennonitechurch.ca)

## From our Press



### **Day by Day These Things We Pray:**

#### **Uncovering Ancient Rhythms of Prayer**

by Arthur Paul Boers, Herald Press, 2010.



Drawing upon Scripture and personal experience, Arthur Boers invites us to reclaim the ancient tradition of morning and evening prayers – and to find our relationship with God forever changed.



### **Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book: Volume 2: Advent through Pentecost**

edited by Arthur Paul Boers; Eleanor Kreider; John Rempel; Mary H. Schertz; Barbara Nelson Gingerich, Herald Press, 2010.

A second volume of morning/evening prayers that covers the seasons of the Christian year (Advent through Pentecost). Use individually or as families or small groups.



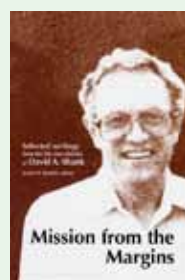
### **Living More with Less: 30th Anniversary Edition With New Stories and Suggestions for a Sustainable Life**

by Doris Janzen Longacre, Herald Press, 2010.

With stories, reflections, and advice from people around the world, this anniversary edition is a vibrant collection of testimonies, old and new, of those who are discovering the joy of living with enough.

### **Disagreeing with Both Passion and Openness: Is It Possible?: 2009 AMBS Engaging Pastors' Week Forum**

Is it possible to be both passionately and openly committed to a perspective or belief, and to be equally committed to maintaining or building a relationship with someone just as passionately committed to an opposite view? Posted are the powerpoint slides from a presentation by Carolyn Schrock-Shenk at an AMBS forum for pastors on the topic of homosexuality and the church.



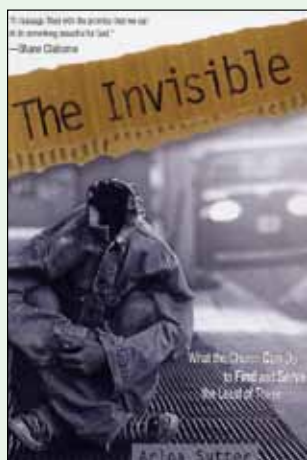
### **Mission from the Margins: Selected writings from the life and ministry of David A. Shank**

edited by James R. Krabill, Herald Press, 2010.

Selected biblical, theological and missiological writings from David A. Shank who has been reflecting on the mission of the church from an Anabaptist perspective for more than half a century.

## New Resources

We average 3 new resources daily.



### **The Invisible: What the Church Can Do to Find and Serve the Least of These**

by Arloa Sutter, Wesleyan Publishing House, 2010.

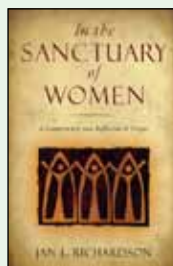
Through compelling stories, the author examines the hard issues of poverty, offering real-life examples, theological and philosophical models, and practical direction for individuals and congregations in their ministry with the poor.



### **Haiti Earthquake January 2010: A Personal Reflection**

by Willard Metzger, World Vision, 2010.

Willard Metzger's reflections written from Haiti during the devastating earthquake in January 2010.



### **In the Sanctuary of Women: A Companion for Reflection & Prayer**

by Jan L. Richardson, Upper Room Books, 2010.

This devotional book for women highlights six women from around the world and across the centuries, inviting us to discover what their lives tell us about God.



### **Calls to Worship: A Pocket Resource**

by Robert I. Vasholz, Christian Focus Publications, 2008.

A selection of "calls to worship" for the pastor or lay worship leader – including responsive readings, unison readings, one-voice readings, for all times of the church year.



### **Kinikini: A Treaty Play**

by Ian Ross, Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba, 2010.

A short drama that serves to educate and share experiences relative to Treaty and the Treaty relationship in Canada. Ultimately, the message of the play is that 'we are all treaty people.'



### **Divine Therapy & Addiction: Centering Prayer and the Twelve Steps**

by Thomas Keating, Lantern Books, 2009.

Father Thomas Keating reflects on the wisdom and legacy of the Alcoholics Anonymous Twelve-Step Method and its connections to, and similarities with, the Christian mystical traditions of centering prayer and Lectio Divina.



### **Relationships Unfiltered: Help for Youth Workers, Volunteers, and Parents on Creating Authentic Relationships**

by Andrew Root, Zondervan, 2009.

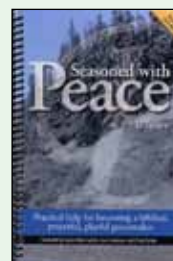
Challenges us to simply do life alongside teenagers, with no agenda other than to love them right where they are. Through the author's stories of success and failure in relational youth ministry, you'll find practical ideas to recreate the role of relationships in your youth ministry.



### **Going Missional: Conversations with 13 Canadian Churches Who Have Embraced Missional Life**

by Karen Stiller; Willard Metzger, Word Alive Press, 2010.

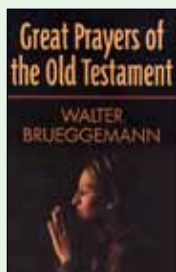
Tells the story of 13 diverse Canadian churches and their journey to become missional. Co-authored by our new General Secretary, Willard Metzger!



### **Seasoned with Peace - Winter: Practical Help for Becoming a Biblical, Prayerful, Playful Peacemaker**

by Susan Mark Landis, Lisa J. Amstutz, Cindy Snider and Cynthia Friesen Coyle, 2010.

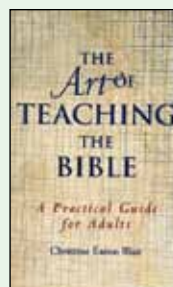
A compilation of devotions, prayers, essays, comic strips, photos, and recipes for the winter season - all with the message of peace..



### **Great Prayers of the Old Testament**

by Walter Brueggemann, Westminster John Knox Press, 2008.

Brueggemann offers his insight and wisdom on twelve prayers of joy and lament in the Old Testament, listening to the biblical text and explaining how these examples of ancient prayer can make prayer come alive for us today.



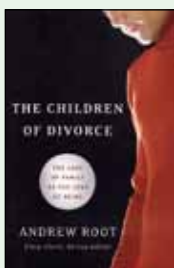
### **The Art of Teaching the Bible: A Practical Guide for Adults**

by Christine Eaton Blair, Geneva Press, 2001.

Outlines a plan for motivating adults to use the tools and theological principles necessary to interpret biblical texts for themselves.

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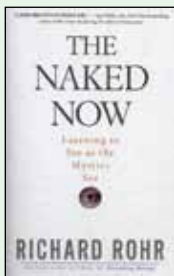
**The Children of Divorce:  
The Loss of Family as the Loss of Being**  
by Andrew Root, Baker Publishing Group, 2010.

Examines the impact of divorce from a practical theological perspective and also from a young person's viewpoint. Those who have experienced divorce and those who work with or minister to young people whose parents are divorced will benefit from this book.



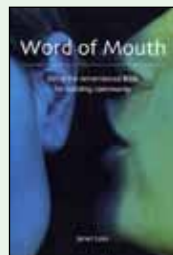
**Night of Mystery: The Passion Story**  
by Marilyse Fajal, Affox, 2005.

With powerfully expressive and sometimes shocking pictures, this DVD, through portraits painted by artist Marilyse Fajal, tells the story of Peter's denial and Judas' betrayal of Christ.



**The Naked Now:  
Learning to See as the Mystics See**  
by Richard Rohr, Crossroad Publishing Company, 2009.

For Christians seeking a way of thinking outside of strict dualities, this guide explores methods for letting go of division and living in the present. This examination reveals how many of the hidden truths of Christianity have been misunderstood or lost and how to read them with the eyes of the mystics rather than interpreting them through rational thought.



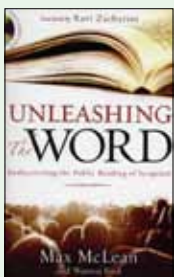
**Word of Mouth: Using the Remembered Bible for Building Community**  
by Janet Lees, Wildgoose Publications, 2007.

Presents a method of using "orally remembered" versions of the Bible and gives examples of the liturgy, stories and prayers that have grown out of them.



**The Spirit and Culture of Youth Ministry:  
Leading congregations toward  
exemplary youth ministry**  
by Roland Martinson, Wes Black & John Roberto, EYM Publishing, 2010.

Based on a national research study, this book provides insights into what congregations are doing to foster a vibrant, committed Christian Faith in the lives of young people.



**Unleashing the Word: Rediscovering the  
Public Reading of Scripture**  
by Max McLean & Warren Bird, Zondervan, 2009.

This lively and encouraging book-and-DVD set shows how churches can train their laypeople to read the Bible aloud in worship with enthusiasm, conviction, and passion. Includes study guide and DVD.



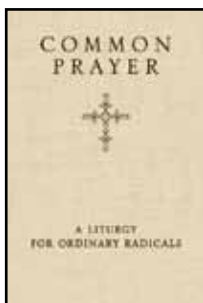
### 2010 Peace Tax Return

When filling your income tax statement, we encourage you to fill in a Peace Tax form. Please also contact Janet Plenert (name, congregation and contact information) if you submit the form so we can keep a tally of how many persons committed to this Act of Peace. Contact Janet ([jplenert@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:jplenert@mennonitechurch.ca)) if you also have questions.

Congratulations to Riad Klassen of Vancouver, BC who won last month's contest and a copy of the book *Take this Bread* by Sara Miles.



Contest co-sponsored by CMU Bookstore and Mennonite Church Canada.



### This month's prize

**Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals**  
by Shane Claiborne, Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Enuma Okoro.

### This month's question

How has the Resource Centre equipped you for "ministry" in the last year? (Name a title, a conversation, a downloadable file, an idea, a service, etc.) We're also open to hearing ways we can serve you better.

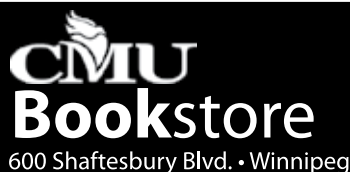
Email your response to:

[resources@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:resources@mennonitechurch.ca), with "Feb 2010 Contest" in subject line.

To be eligible:

Contestant must be an online subscriber, and a Canadian resident.

Entries are due within 48 hours of receiving electronic notice of this update.



**We have a great selection of  
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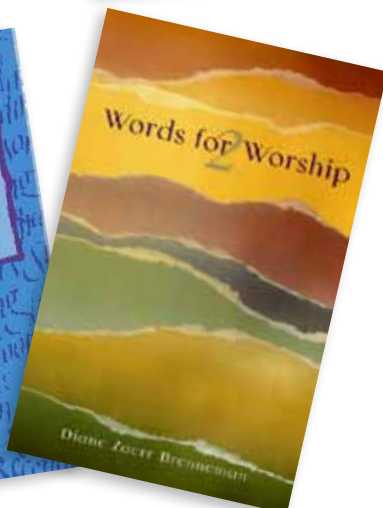
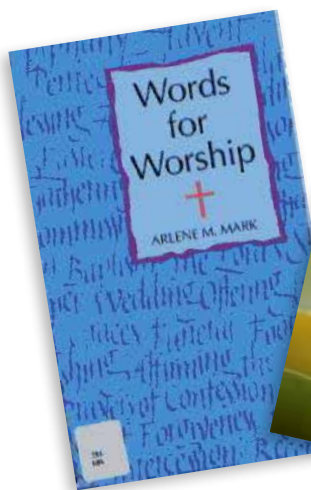
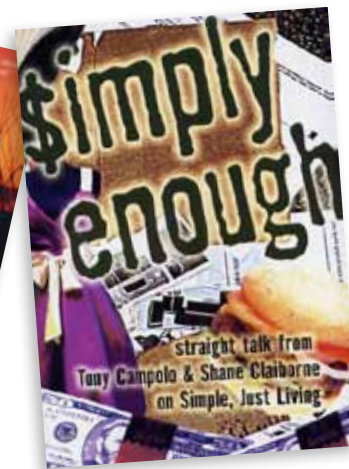
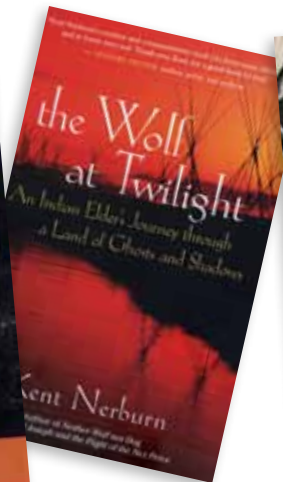
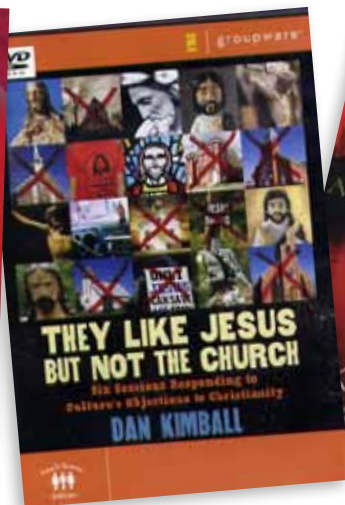
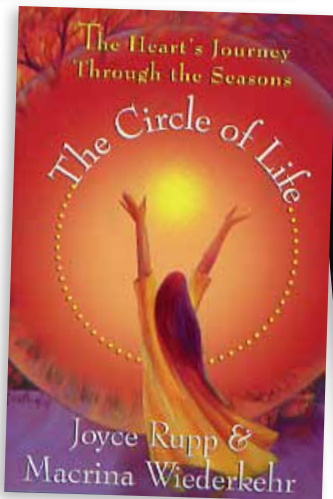
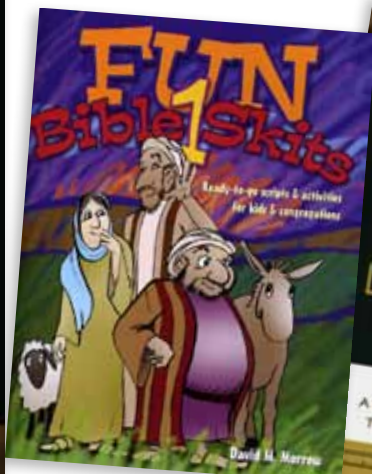
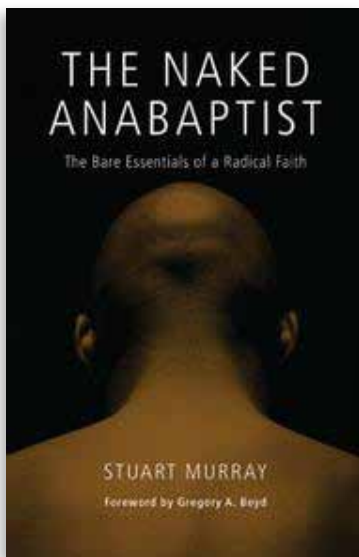


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# Top Picks of 2010

The 11 most borrowed titles



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- Increase our holdings by over 750 titles
- Partner with 3 other resource libraries to form the Anabaptist Resource Consortium
- Continuously upgrade our online catalogue to make it more user-friendly and functional
- Send 29 displays across the country for congregational and Area Church events
- Post your original submissions online. Together with our other e-files, these were downloaded over 100,000 times
- Respond to hundreds of phone and email inquiries, of which no two questions were the same!

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