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Fall:

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Sept 9 – Sunday School Promotion – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/256

Sept 23 – Publishing Sunday – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/442

Oct 7 – World Communion Sunday – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/362

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Nov 4 – Peace Sunday – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/456

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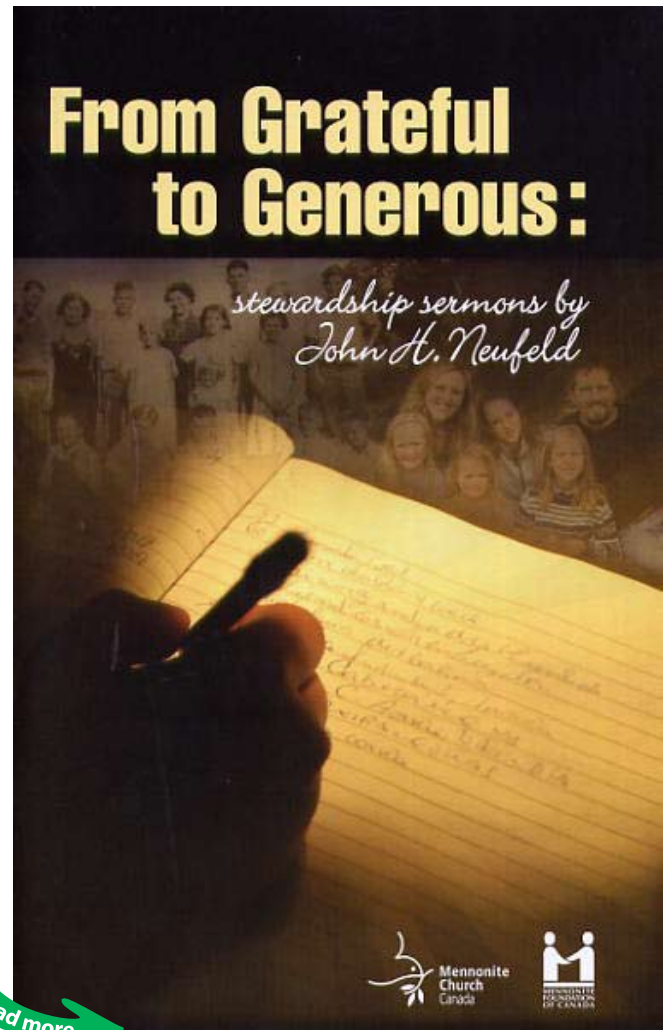
Route to...

- Librarian
- Pastor(s)
- Worship Planners
- Education Coordinator
- Church Secretary

Scared to Preach about Money?

From Grateful to Generous: Stewardship Sermons by John H. Neufeld.

These six sermons tackle the difficult and vulnerable topic of money and faith. Each is also followed by discussion questions, making the book an excellent preaching resource as well as a superb guide for individual or group study. A joint publication between MC Canada and Mennonite Foundation. Ask for your free copy from the Resource Centre or download from our online catalogue.

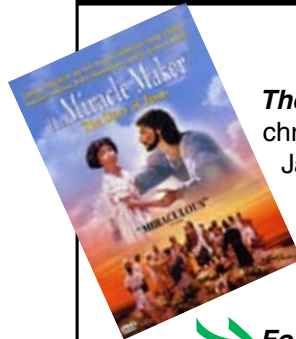


See other stewardship resources

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Children's Corner Resources for the library, home, Sunday School or Sunday morning storyteller.



The Miracle Maker: The Story of Jesus DVD This full-length feature film chronicles the encounter between Jesus, a sick girl named Tamar, and Jairus, her father. More than that, it is a warm and intelligent presentation about the life of Jesus. It features state-of-the-art 3-D model animation. Was featured at MC Canada Assembly in Abbotsford.

➔ For additional children's books, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/168.

Small Group Studies



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Sojourners on the Issues: A Discussion Guide from the Editors of Sojourners Magazine. This series is designed to spark discussion and thought about how to live out God's call for justice in our world. Each guide includes four sessions, each with Sojourners articles, quotations and ideas for further study.

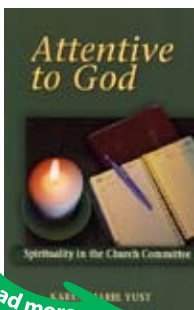


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Simply in Season Leader's Study Guide, by Rachel Miller Moreland. Contains Bible reflections, discussion questions, group activities, and ways to integrate local food into each session. Six core sessions and seven optional sessions.

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Church Boards/Committees



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Attentive to God: Spirituality in the Church Committee, by Karen Marie Yust. Church committees typically operate like business committees, with little or no attention to the spiritual aspects of their mission. In this inspiring and practical book, the author proposes a theology of church committee work and explores ways to maintain a spiritual focus in church committees. Included are devotional resources for use in specific committees such as worship, Christian education, and stewardship.

➔ **For other church committee resources, see** www.mennonitechurch.ca/resourcecentre/Browse/1006

Young Adult Resources



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Wrestling with the Text: Young Adult Perspectives on Scriptures by Keith Graber Miller and Malinda Elizabeth Berry, Cascadia Publishing, 2007. Through its reporting of young adults wrestling anew with the Bible, this volume marks an important occasion of and for Mennonite conversation about identity and scriptural authority. A theme uniting this book's 16 stories is the wrestled search for blessing, like Jacob of old.

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Safe Church Policies

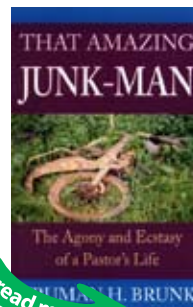


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Screening in Faith, by Brenda Gallagher. Provides the faith community with tools to create and maintain a safe environment, to protect those who are to be cared for, and to prevent sexual, physical, and emotional misconduct from occurring in places of ministry.

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Pastoral Role/Identity



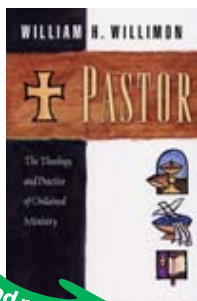
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That Amazing Junk-Man: The Agony and Ecstasy of a Pastor's Life, by Truman H. Brunk. This book is a collection of nearly 75 stories and sermonettes drawn from Brunk's forty years in the ministry. The stories reflect Brunk's desire to help churches become open and welcoming, instead of exclusive and shunning.

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Pastor: The Theology and Practice of Ordained Ministry by William Willimon. Always a difficult vocation, changes in society and the church in recent years have made the ordained life all the more complex and challenging. Willimon explores the following: Is the pastor primarily a preacher, a professional caregiver, an administrator? Given the call of all Christians to be ministers to the world,

what is the distinctive ministry of the ordained? When does one's ministry take on the character of prophet, and when does it become that of priest?

➔ **For other pastoral role/identity resources, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/373**

Missional Church

Transforming Congregations in Worship: Missional Training Seminar, MC Canada, 2006/07. Ten MC Canada congregations sent teams of three people representing pastoral, worship, and governance leadership in their congregations. Together these congregational teams explored the central role of worship in shaping the missional identity of the church. They grappled with the dynamics of change and the resistance to change that is kindled when a faith community moves to align itself more closely with God's mission in the world. Included here are the presentations of the plenary speakers.

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➔ **For other missional church resources, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/181**

Feminist Theology



Women and Christianity, 3 volumes by Mary T. Malone. The history of Christianity reveals a great ambivalence towards women. On the one hand, women have been included, graced, called, inspired, and canonized by Christianity throughout the centuries. On the other hand, women have not always felt appreciated within the Christian tradition and have indeed often been

excluded and even oppressed. This series brings to light both the persistent courage and the innovative quality of women's lives.



Christian Feminism: Sojourners on the Issues. Jesus radically valued women as disciples throughout his ministry. In doing so, he challenged cultural assumptions. The stories of women's faith, failings, and heroism are too often undervalued in Christian tradition—but the contributions and creativity of women of faith are vital for both the church and the world.

Combines Bible study, social analysis, history, and personal testimonies to spark discussion.

➔ **For other feminist theology resources, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/375**

➔ **For resources on women in the Bible, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/376**

Abbotsford 2007

Discernment theme resources

Creation care –

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/79

Peace/militarization –

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/184

Young adults – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/189



Colossians Remixed – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/429

The Word that Redescribes the World –

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From Grateful to Generous –

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MC Canada Finance/Human Resources policies, pension plan, etc. – www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/516

Abbotsford resources – see

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Church and Creation Care with David Neufeld - www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/381

Young Adults and the Global Church with Sarah Thompson - www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/383

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