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New for Jubilee

Cycle B Winter

Centered Teaching, a new supplemental resource for Cycle B, adapts materials for broadly-graded or traditional age groupings. Plans are used with existing teacher and student materials. Buy 1, photocopy as needed.

**\$14.99 US,
\$20.99 CAN**

"Centered Teaching is concise and helpful, and the suggestions for responses are so varied and interesting—I wish we had time to try all of them!!"

—Mary, Waterloo, Ontario

FREE!

Jubilee Guidebook

The Jubilee Guidebook provides foundational information and an overview of the entire curriculum, for educators and pastors.

While supplies last.



Winter Overview: Cycle B

Early Childhood

Jesus, Our Leader

These sessions from Matthew begin with six stories about Jesus' birth and childhood, anticipating the birth of Jesus during Advent and celebrating his coming as a baby in the Christmas session. There are two sessions about Jesus' childhood. The last seven stories focus on Jesus as our leader.

Primary

Jesus Brings God to Us

We are formed by the stories we hear of Jesus' promised birth, ministry, death, and resurrection. These stories are our invitation to be friends with Jesus and part of God's family. From the very beginning, Jesus was Immanuel-God with us.

Middler

Jesus Guides the Disciples

Jesus teaches us to see things in a new and different way. This different way is based on the transformed way we look at and value the world, all humans, and God. Jesus instructs us to see God in a new light and to see other people in new ways. We learn how we are to act to bring about a good and healthy life.

Junior Youth

Jesus Goes Beyond the Old

An important aspect of the story of Jesus is the surprising way in which God does "a new thing" which is still consistent with the older traditions. In Matthew, Jesus brought something new in both teaching and action. Jesus talked to the people about what God intended for them to be and do. Much of this quarter focuses on the Sermon on the Mount



Find more information and a sample session of Centered Teaching at www.mph.org/jubilee

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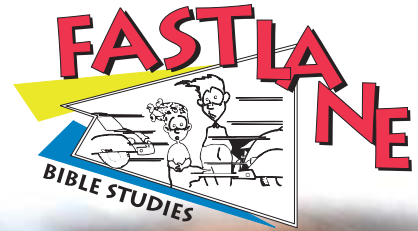
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series is
wonderful...."
—Jane
Charlotte,
North Carolina

Featured for Winter 2004-2005

Encountering Jesus

Who is this first-century Jewish teacher who turned the world upside down in his day, and continues to attract so much attention in ours? In this five-session interactive study, youth will discover how Jesus' mission of healing and salvation connects with their own current-day issues. In the process, youth will be invited to follow Jesus as Lord of their lives.

Get Real: God and Media

Media can be like an idol, distracting youth from God. This five-session study helps junior high youth learn how modern media desensitizes us to the real world, and holds up false heroes and unhealthy ideals, including violence and materialism. They will see how Jesus is a different kind of "superstar," and is worthy to be followed.



Fast Lane Bible Studies address issues facing young teens today in a way that is fun for them. Each study includes active learning, reproducible student materials, flexible step-by-step teaching plans, options for different learning styles and interests, and topics not found elsewhere. No student pieces required.

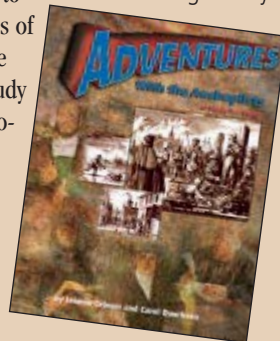


Find a **free sample session** of Fast Lane at www.mph.org/flr

Adventures with the Anabaptists

is a core resource recommended for all Mennonite youth. Ten active sessions, adaptable to junior or senior high, introduce youth to the major personalities, events, and issues of the Anabaptist movement in Europe in the 16th century. Each session has a Bible study component and teaches youth through storytelling, role-play, and discussion that connects the issues to their own lives in the 21st Century. This study grounds Mennonite youth in the roots of their faith tradition in a fun, accessible, and relevant way. Spiral back format.

\$29.99 US, \$41.99 CAN



Mennonite
heritage study

Other titles available

Awesome God
Celebrating Advent
Friends Forever
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Online with the Holy Spirit
Peace Heroes
Say What?
Some Body
Understanding Gangs
Unmasking the End Times
What Gives? Using God's Money
Winning: Competition and Faith

All studies:
\$9.99 US,
\$13.99 CAN

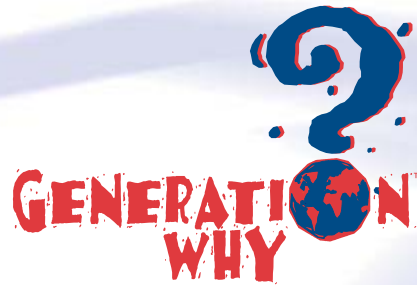
Upcoming Featured Units:

Spring 2005:
Praying the Lord's
Prayer; Living the
Beatitudes

Summer 2005:
Living Without
Violence;
Challenging Racism

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In a time of violence, injustice, materialism, and hard questions, Generation Why Bible Studies help youth apply the Bible to real life. No student pieces required.



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Living Beyond Our Means: The Extravagance of Biblical Stewardship

A biblical approach to stewardship for teens living in a material-oriented society. Realistic sessions on how and why we are called to be stewards for God. Selected scripture. (5 sessions)

Testing the Waters: Basic Tenets of Faith

Discover the biblical roots for the central Christian concepts of covenant, community, and baptism. This short course is a way to test the waters (baptismal) of Christianity before diving in, or review the basics for those who already have. (6 sessions)



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Spring 2005:
Reconcilable Differences;
Does God Fight?
Violence in the Bible

Summer 2005:
Pain and Praise:
The Book of Psalms;
The Place Just Right:
Biblical Teachings on Simplicity

Other titles available:

Apocalypse When?
Daniel and Revelation
Bad News, God News:
Prophets Speak Truth to Power
The Bold and the Dutiful:
The Book of James
Close Encounters: New Testament Personalities
Clueless and Called:
Discipleship and the Gospel of Mark
Dating: The Art of Respect
Deal With It: The Bible on Death and Dying
Do Miracles Happen? Signs and Wonders in the Gospel of John
Do the Right Thing: Ethics with Meaning
Fight Right: A Christian Approach to Conflict
The Gospel Revolution
Hangin' Loose, Holdin' Tight: Paul's Epistles
Holy Hogwash: What the Bible Never Said
How Do You Know? Wisdom in the Bible
How to Be a True Friend
How to Read the Bible
Keeping the Garden: A Faith Response To God's Creation
Mantras, Menorahs, and Minarets: Encountering Other Faiths
Maxed Out! How Old Testament Personalities Handled Stress
Moneytalk: Living Generously
Morphed: New Life in Romans
The Radical Reign: Parables of Jesus
Rocky Road: The Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount
The Serpent's Apple: Temptation in the Bible
Singing in the Reign: Joy and Celebration in the Bible
A Speck in the Universe: What the Bible Says About Self-Esteem and Peer Pressure
Take Two Tablets: The Ten Commandments
Who is God?
Who is Jesus?
Who's In, Who's Out?
You Can't Make Me Go To Church

"We have truly enjoyed the thought, theology, and effort put into these studies and are glad to order more."

*— Ted,
New Orleans,
Louisiana*



Find a **free sample session** of Generation Why at www.mph.org/flr

Recommended for youth ministry teams

Building Together: Developing Your Blueprint for Congregational Youth Ministry

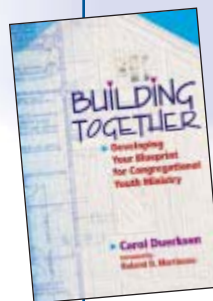
Practical reference and real-life examples combine to offer an inspiring, comprehensive approach to youth ministry that takes seriously the needs of youth, the congregation, and the changing culture. Building Together promotes involving youth in the whole life of the congregation, and outlines how to nurture dynamic Christian discipleship.

\$12.99 US, \$18.29 CAN

One on One: Making the Most of Your Mentoring Relationship

This guide reviews the basic elements of mentoring youth in the Christian context and provides resources for planning and living out a mentoring relationship. The 8½ x 11 inch spiral binding format has 16 share sheets to provide a practical format for discussion topics and issues.

\$15.99 US, \$22.99 CAN



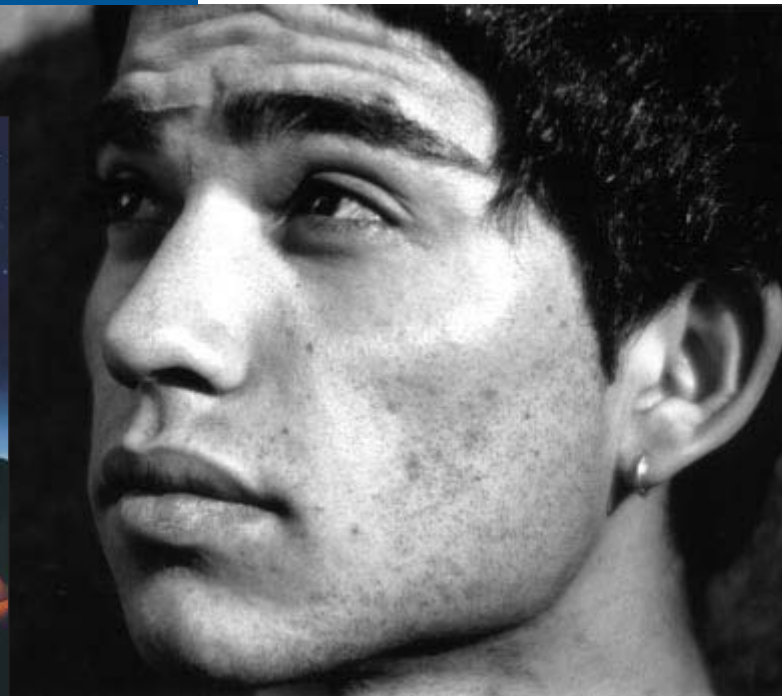
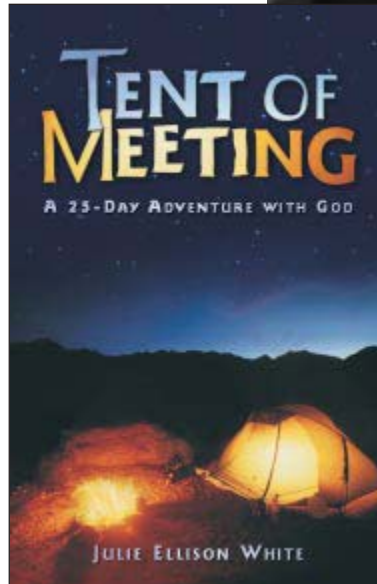
NEW!

Tent of Meeting

A 25-day Adventure with God

Tent of Meeting will help youth grow spiritually by taking them deeper in their friendship with God. They will learn to know God by entering into a “tent of meeting,” a sacred space where they can practice spiritual disciplines that have enriched the lives of Christians for centuries. Available in a youth version with guided daily journaling exercises, and an expanded version with leader tips outlining weekly group experiences.

**Youth \$7.99 US, \$11.29 CAN
Leader \$9.99 US, \$13.99 CAN**



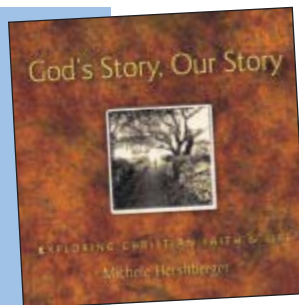
Find devotions just for teens at www.withonline.org

Baptism and Church Membership

**God's Story, Our Story:
Exploring Christian Faith & Life**

This resource, for those considering baptism or church membership, addresses essential issues of Christian faith through an engaging survey of the biblical story, and sidebars containing real conversations from believers of all ages. Suitable for group and individual study.

\$11.99 US, \$16.79 CAN



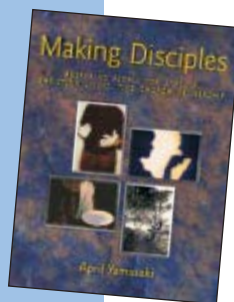
“God's Story, Our Story makes Christian initiation accessible. I have teens who are engaged when they come to the table, ready with responses, asking questions, wrestling with the reasons for why Jesus died.”

— Dave Boshart, pastor, Parnell, Iowa

**Making Disciples:
Preparing People for Baptism,
Christian Living, and Church Membership**

This practical guide helps pastors and other leaders invite, instruct, baptize, and follow up with new members. It includes an adaptable 10-session study plan linked with God's Story, Our Story and to Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective. Three-ring binder with reproducible handouts.

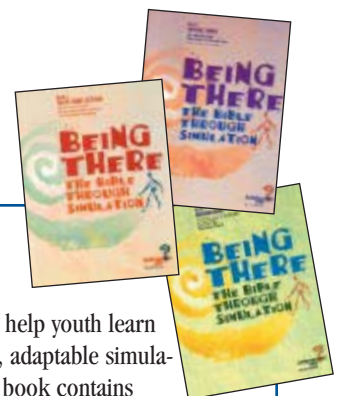
\$19.99 US, \$27.99 CAN



**Being There:
The Bible Through Simulation**

Promote deeper biblical understanding and help youth learn from the Bible by “Being There”! These fun, adaptable simulations can be used in multiple settings. Each book contains three simulations—one from the Old Testament, one from the Gospels, and one from the early church. Extend the learning even further by adding the recommended Generation Why Bible Studies that connect to each unit, or the optional worship suggestions, also included.

Three studies available:
\$15.99 US, \$24.99 CAN each



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GOOD GROUND

Letting the Word take root

"I love using these studies. We've appreciated the Bible focus, and the ideas for group participation."

— Claude,
Pandora, Ohio

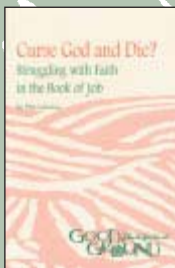
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In the Flesh: The Identity of Jesus on John's Gospel

John gives an account of Jesus' effort in his own day to reveal the identity of God, not to the intellect but to the heart. Through signs and wonders, he makes the unknowable knowable.

Curse God and Die: Struggling with Faith in the Book of Job

Why keep the faith under difficult circumstances? Like the book of Job, this study will challenge you to hang onto integrity, stay honest with God, and be open to growth in the face of life's mysteries.



"It seems like we have more discussion with Good Ground than we've had with other curriculums."
— Betty, Pea Ridge, Arkansas

Good Ground: Letting the Word Take Root is an interactive Bible study series for Sunday school or other adult groups. Each unit includes six easy-to-use sessions and provides opportunities to apply biblical wisdom to real-life challenges and problems. All participants use the same book and leader's tips are included following each session. Studies are not dated and can be used at any time.

Upcoming Featured Units

Spring 2005:

Heart Smart: Studies in Wisdom in the Bible

Turning up the Heat: Studies on the Passion of Jesus

Summer 2005:

Banking on God: Exploring Salvation in the Bible

Of Brats and Brothers: Joseph's Coming of Age in Genesis

All units: \$5.99 US, \$9.49 CAN

Free sample session available at www.goodground.org

Other Good Ground titles available:

- All Heaven Breaks Loose: Studies in the Gospel of Mark
- An Odd Body: Church, Witness, and Culture
- Banking on God: Exploring Salvation in the Bible
- Of Brats and Brothers: Joseph's Coming of Age in Genesis
- Bursting the Wineskins: Five Radical Sermons of Jesus in Matthew
- Choosing Sides: Faithfulness in the Book of Joshua
- Come Again? Exploring the Hard Sayings of Jesus
- Cracking the Code: Making Sense of Daniel and Ezekiel for Today
- Diamond in the Rough: The Spiritual Apprenticeship of David
- Down to Earth: The Parables of Jesus
- Fierce, Flawed, and Favored: God's Unlikely Helpers in the Book of Judges
- First Love: Community and Faith in 1, 2, 3 John
- For Better, For Worse: God's Relentless Love in Amos and Hosea
- For Crying Out Loud: Studies in Exodus
- Going on a Promise: Stories of Abraham
- Hanging on to Hope: Studies in Revelation
- Heart Smart: Studies on Wisdom in the Bible
- Inside Out: God's Radical Love in Jonah and Ruth
- Into the Deep: Exploring Prayer
- No Small Wonder: Stories of Hope from the Nativity
- Partners in Peace: God's Vision of Shalom in the Book of Romans
- Preach It! Great Messages of the Bible
- Rhythms of the Soul: The Psalms as Public Worship
- Second Wind: Re-energizing Faith in the Book of Hebrews
- Such a Time As This: Faith and Risk-taking in the Book of Esther
- Voice from the Fringe: Studies in Isaiah

Closer Than a Brother: Men's Series

Today's Christian men long to be spiritually grounded and have a meaningful relationship with God, as well as to understand their roles in family, church, and society. This series helps men's groups enter together into reflection and growth, and guides them to become communities of disciples. Each study of five sessions, designed for ages 40–60, contains biblical reflections on the topic with an emphasis on personal sharing in the context of Christian community. Sessions include ideas for reflection, discussion, and response, with leader's tips at the end of each booklet.

Titles available

What Really Matters: Conversation Starters for Men

The Meaning of Tough: Using Power and Wealth

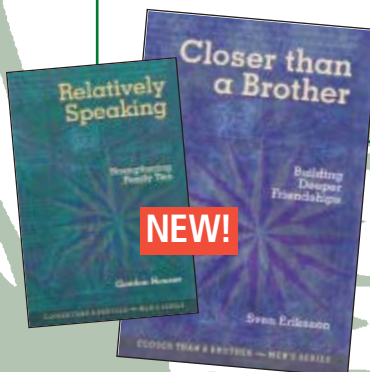
Sex and Faith: Celebrating God's Gifts

NEW!

Relatively Speaking: Strengthening Family Ties

Closer than a Brother: Building Deeper Friendships

All units: \$5.99 US and CAN



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Adults

Sunday School, Small Groups & Retreats

Second Mile:

A Peace Journey for Congregations

What does it mean to follow Jesus' way of peace today? Second Mile invites congregations and small groups to enter a journey of worship, study, action and reflection to become active signs of Christ's peace in a broken world.

Pathways currently available are
The Land That I Will Show You
Heading for the Promised Land
The Road to Emmaus

Student guide:

~~\$14.99 US, \$20.99 CAN~~

\$9.99 US, \$13.99 CAN

Leader's guide:

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Price**



Free sample session and leader's guide available at www.gosecondmile.org



In Tune with God

The Art of Congregational Discernment

Sally Weaver Glick

In Tune with God:

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Is God calling us to start a day care in our neighborhood? Whom shall we call as our next pastor? Sally Weaver Glick approaches congregational discernment as a process of hearing and entering God's "song." Included are stories of real congregations dealing with real issues; a wealth of practical tips for conducting healthy discernment; a leader's guide; an outline for a one-day retreat; and creative dialogues that introduce the themes of each chapter.

\$12.99 US, \$18.29 CAN

For congregational study

"When true discernment happens, creativity is released, energy is freed for tackling problems together, and relationships with God and one another are strengthened."

—Sally Weaver Glick, in the introduction to In Tune with God



Training Ministry Teams:

A Manual for Elders and Deacons

Elders or deacons have a vital calling and function in building strong congregations. But they need clear guidelines and training to be effective. Anne Stuckey's manual provides practical instruction to help pastors and congregational leaders bring clarity to this key role and teach elders and deacons what they need to know to minister. Each of the nine sessions reflects on Jesus' method of training leaders and works toward a specific outcome.

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For individual or group study

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— August, age 10
Stratford, Ontario



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— Lynn, Tiskilwa, Illinois

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