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Mission Minded: A Tool for Planning Your Ministry Around Christ's Mission, Peter Bolt, Matthias Media, 2007, 1921068744, 9781921068744, . .

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The Radical Reformation Reaching Out Without Selling Out, Mark Driscoll, 2004, Religion, 204 pages. Reformation is the continual reforming of the mission of the church to enhance God's command to reach out to others in a way that acknowledges the unique times and locations of

The Trellis and the Vine The Ministry Mind-Shift That Changes Everything, Colin Marshall, Tony Payne, 2009, , 196 pages. The ministry mind-shift that changes everything. "This is the best book I've read on the nature of church ministry", says Mark Dever. "The Trellis and the Vine is a dangerous

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The Lost Art of Disciple Making , LeRoy Eims, 1978, Religion, 188 pages. The fruit of many years of personal experience and seminars on disciple making, this is an extremely helpful book for Christian leaders and laypersons desiring to have personal

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Listening to the Beliefs of Emerging Churches Five Perspectives, Robert Webber, Mark Driscoll, 2007, Religion, 240 pages. A cross-section of five frontline leaders in the controversial emerging church movement shed informative light on their beliefs and basic message to help us understand whether

The Shack Unauthorized Theological Critique, Tim Challies, Jul 1, 2008, Religion, 24 pages. In this booklet I hope to guide you through The Shack. We will look at the book with a charitable but critical eye, attempting to understand what it teaches and how it can be

Growth Groups A Training Course in how to Lead Small Groups (includes Trainee Sessions), Colin Marshall, 1995, Church group work, 176 pages. .

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Evangelism Becoming Stronger Salt and Brighter Light, Bill Hybels, Aug 1, 1996, Religion, 96

pages. Most Christians would rather leave evangelism to a select few with 'special talent' for outreach. But when Christ gave the command to spread the Gospel, He gave it to us all

This little guide book is one that should be of good help to any pastors and/or elders looking to see some different ways to think about our "mission" as churches. I didn't really know what to expect as I started the book and the author seems to think a lot like people like Driscoll and Chandler, which for me, is a good thing.

Peter Bolt describes what we should not be: a church so stuck in our traditional ways of doing "church" that we don't think of other ways for the members to reach the community. I know what your thinking, "is this another seeker mentality?" I would say, yes, but in a good way. The author is not telling us ways to change the Lord's Day service, but asking us to think on how we use our members to reach our community throughout the week. The author even makes a case for expositional preaching instead of topical.

This is a very practical book where the author even lays out worksheets to provide helps for the pastor to take a look at the people and programs of the church to find the holes that need to be filled, and the places where we spend way too much of our time. Showing even how to find the people that are appropriate for different ministries within and outside the church.

I have read many books on Disciplemaking and the church's role in disciplemaking. In only 75 pages, this book cuts through the much of the theory to give you a system that is theologically sound and ministerially practical. "Mission Minded" is the precursor to the book "The Trellis and the Vine." If you have read that book then you will want this book to see where the emphasis in ministry philosophy on "Proclamation, People, and Prayer" came from. Instead focusing on the "Trellis" (programs and support ministries) this book has a balanced view about the need for good "trellis ministry" while focusing on the "vine" (people and their lives). The simple ideas in this book will help pastors and church leaders, who many times (in pragmatic America) get bogged down in either a bad (or unbiblical) theological basis for their philosophy of ministry or who create a far too elaborate ministry structure which they are constantly trying to maintain and support, refocus their efforts on people rather than maintaining the current infrastructure of the church. "Mission Minded" will also help pastors and church leaders recover strong biblical fidelity because of the confidence it places on the proclamation of the Word of God (speaking the Word) across all types of ministry contexts, and prayer. Included is a "Mission Minded" tool that will help church leaders plan for, analyse, or change current Ministry infrastructure.

Mission Minded will help you to plan a purposeful, gospel-centred ministry. It is an invaluable tool for 'ministers' of all shapes and sizes: from the pastor of a church to the leader of a home Bible study group. John is the new minister at St Agnes-by-the-Abattoir and is overwhelmed with the amount of things going on: playgroups, men's meetings and endless Bible study groups. Yet when he asks how many people have been converted in the last year, there is an embarrassed silence...what is going wrong. Bruce and Alison have resisted the temptation to bury themselves in church activities and have actively cultivated their non-Christian friendships. They sat down after a recent dinner party and asked themselves: 'Are we really getting anywhere with these people?'. All Christians are called to serve God and many do this with great heart and good intentions. However, many also feel discouraged by the lack of direction and progress. Mission Minded will help you to plan a purposeful, gospel-centred ministry. It is an invaluable tool for 'ministers' of all shapes and sizes: from the pastor of a church to the leader of a home Bible study group.

So you like the idea of being mission or evangelism oriented, rather than being stuck in maintenance mode? But what are you going to do about it? Where do you start? How do you take your current ministry (whether in a church, a fellowship or a Bible study) and transform it into an outward-looking, well-organized evangelistic power-house? Peter Bolt's simple but profound little book, "Mission Minded", won't do the hard work for you. But it will show you how to make your hard work count. It will not only help you understand the basic principles that should shape any Christian ministry, but how to plan your ministry to reflect these principles. This new version of "Mission

Minded” will ensure that it continues to be an invaluable tool for ministers of all shapes and sizes: from the pastor of a busy church to the leader of a home Bible study group. In particular it is helpful for one-to-one ministry; leadership in structured ministry situations such as Sunday School, Youth Group, or a Bible Study; or even for a pastor or church committee who has oversight of all the ministries in a church.

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