

## New Youth Ministry Resources

### Mentoring Resources...

#### **The Be-with factor: mentoring students in everyday life.**

Boshers, Bo. Zondervan, 2006. 259.2143 Bos

Patterned after Jesus' example of "being with" his disciples in a variety of real-life settings, this book is a guide-book for intentional mentoring relationships.

#### **Mentoring: a guide for ministry.**

Lawrie, Cheryl. Discipleship Resources, 2005. 259.2143

A practical adaptable guide for setting up a congregational mentoring program, selecting mentors and training them.

#### **A Companion Way: mentoring youth in searching faith.**

Vitek, John. St. Mary's Press, 1992. 259.2143 Vit

Ways of linking Christian adults with youth who have a searching faith in a mentoring relationship. Includes ideas for group sessions, meetings and 20 reproducible handouts.

### Guys, Gals, Sex...

#### **Every Young Man's Battle: strategies for victory in the real world of sexual temptation.**

Arterburn, Stephen and Fred Stoeker. Waterbrook, 2002. 259.2147 Art

#### **Every Young Woman's Battle: guarding your mind, heart and body in a sex-saturated world.**

Ethridge, Shannon and Stephen Arterburn. Waterbrook, 2004. 259.2147 Eth

In a world that is full of sexual images, these are helpful guides on how to train your eyes, mind and clean up your thought life and develop a battle plan to remain pure. Although these are written for youth, any youth worker would benefit from reading them to gain information, perspective and confidence in talking with youth about sex.

#### **What's Up With Boys? Everything you need to know about guys.**

Kirgiss, Crystal. Youth Specialties, 2004. 259.2221 KIR

An upbeat, fact-oriented explanation of why guys are different than gals. Would be excellent to discuss in a girls group.

#### **The Naked Truth: sexual purity for guys in the real world.**

Perkins, Bill and Randy Southern. Zondervan, 2004. 259.2221 PER

Media has created a culture of flesh-on-demand and guys are seeing too many women outside the context God intended. This book talks about why guys are tempted, how they are wired, tools to help monitor behavior and wraps it all up in Christian ethics.

### Ideas, Games, Skits...

#### **Road Rules: hundreds of ideas, games and devotions for less-annoying youth group travel.**

Case, Steven L. Youth Specialties, 2003. 259.2147 CAS

Includes hints and tips, horror stories, road games, behavioral guidelines, prayers for the journey and more.

#### Conference Resource Library

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### **Top 20 Skits for Youth Ministry.**

Chapman, Chris and Sue. Group, 2006. 259.2147 Cha

Use humor to launch deep discussion on difficult topics. Includes quick summary, scripture connections, discussion questions and activities, casting tips and simple props list. Also includes a CD with sound effects.

### **Experiential Youth Ministry: how intentional activity can make the spiritual stuff stick.**

Losey, John. Youth Specialties, 2004. 259.2147 Los

Offers a ton of intentional activities with a purpose so that it's not just fun and games, but youth are learning and being shaped in Christian faith.

### **Instant Skits: using improv to create memorable moments in ministry.**

James, Eddie and Tommy Woodward. Youth Specialties, 2005. 259.2147 Jam

Indexed by topic and scripture, skits, games, conflicts and scenarios are provided as starting points for fun and meaningful discussion. Also helpful is a list of essential tips, including what to do with bad actors or "oops" situations.

### **Last Minute Meetings: 101 Ready-to-Go Games and Lessons for Busy Youth Leaders.**

Outcalt, Todd. Abingdon, 2001. 259.2147 OUT

Puzzles, handouts, talks, quizzes, discussion starters and games.

### **Get 'Em Talking: 104 great discussion starters for youth groups.**

Yaconelli, Mark and Scott Koenigsaecker. Youth Specialties, 1989. 259.2147 Yac

Use techniques such as relays, tape talks, continuums, yarn-sharing, rugs and more.

## **Youth Culture—Digging Deep . . .**

### **Deep Ministry in a Shallow World: not-so-secret findings about youth ministry.**

Clark, Chap and Kara Powell. Youth Specialties, 2006. 259.23 Cla

Combines theological reflection, research and actual youth ministry experience to provide a paradigm for ministry that takes both leaders and youth deeper.

### **The Comprehensive Guide to Youth Ministry Counseling.**

Group Pub., Inc., 2002. 259.2131 Com

Counseling tips, basic techniques and practical approaches for helping students with the common and sometimes tough issues they face. Features expert advice from experienced professionals, reproducible student pages, and a topical index for easy reference.

### **Engaging the soul of youth culture: bridging teen worldviews and Christian truth.**

Mueller, Walt. IVP, 2006. 259.211 Mue

Helps youth workers navigate the troubling and confusing terrain of teen worldviews, (based on their interaction with popular culture) so that we can compassionately and effectively pass on God's good news.

### **Help, my kids are hurting: a survival guide to working with students in pain.**

Penner, Marv. Youth Specialties, 2005. 259.213 Pen

Good ideas on what to do and what not to do -- when youth are in pain. Also provides info on identifying your helping style, legal issues, working with parents and more.

### **Youth Ministry that Transforms: a comprehensive analysis of the hopes, frustrations and effectiveness of today's youth workers.**

Strommen, Merton, Karen E. Jones and Dave Rahn. Youth Specialties Academic, 2001. 259.211 Str

A first of its kind study of Protestant youth ministers reveals hopes, frustrations and effectiveness of today's youth ministers. Topics include focusing ministry priorities, goals, inner strength, professional growth and more. Each chapter has questions – would make a great discussion starter for youth ministry groups.

### **Contemplative Youth Ministry: practicing the presence of Jesus.**

Yaconelli, Mark. Youth Specialties, 2006 259.211 Yac

Shares with youth workers how it actually looks when men and women who love God practice it with young people. These contemplative practices can bind our lives to the life of Christ, and to a life of transformation. A book about creating places of silence and opening up spaces for God to speak.