

Ministering Cross Culturally An Incarnational Model For Personal Relationships

Cultural Intelligence - David A. Livermore 2009-02

An intercultural ministry expert demonstrates the necessity of Cultural Intelligence for effectively serving an increasingly diverse church and world.

Leading Cross-Culturally - Sherwood G. Lingenfelter 2008-12

A leading voice in intercultural ministry draws on biblical principles to offer a practical guide to effective multicultural leadership in a variety of settings.

Missions and Money - Jon Bonk

This revised edition of *Missions and Money* offers new reflections in the light of a changed situation in Christian missionary circles. Bonk offers new reflections in the lights of a changed situation, now marked by increases in the number of short-term missionaries and increases in the numbers of Asians, Africans, and Latin Americans leaving their homelands to serve as missionaries to other people. The conversation on the ambiguity of wealth and Christian missionary outreach is deepened with essays by Christopher J.H. Wright on the righteous rich in the Hebrew Bible and by Justo Gonzalez on faith and wealth in the Christian Bible and the early church. Book jacket.

A Beginner's Guide to Crossing Cultures - Patty Lane 2009-09-20

The global village has arrived. Recent census figures show that communities in the United States are more culturally and ethnically diverse than ever before. And you may be just one of many who find it challenging to build relationships with people from backgrounds unlike your own. How do you befriend an international student or a new coworker from a different country? What can you expect when your church building is shared with a congregation from another cultural group? Why are your words and actions sometimes misinterpreted by others? Crosscultural specialist Patty Lane answers these questions and more. She shows you how to develop hands-on relational skills that build crosscultural friendships. And she provides practical resources to help you navigate multicultural environments with sensitivity and savvy. Filled with vivid stories of real-life situations, her helpful guidebook explains frequently misunderstood aspects of culture, debunks stereotypes and suggests ways to resolve crosscultural conflicts. Above all, Lane demonstrates God's heart for building bridges across cultures and shows how you can reach out to people of every nation, culture and ethnicity. Whether you are actively ministering to people of different cultural backgrounds, traveling to other countries for your business or simply want to make friends across cultural lines, this engaging handbook is a perfect introduction to the journey.

Devoted to Christ - Christopher L. Flanders 2019-09-23

This festschrift contains original missiological contributions from colleagues and former doctoral students of Dr. Sherwood Lingenfelter. It highlights his twin research interests of anthropology and leadership and points to the profound influence of Sherwood Lingenfelter upon the contemporary missiological landscape. These chapters signal the continuation of his legacy, a flourishing of creative, anthropologically driven mission and leadership studies. Contributors to this work include a marvelous diversity of authors, women and men, voices from North and South, East and West, representing well Dr. Lingenfelter's significant global impact.

Christian Mission - ALAN. NEELY 2020-12-09

The case study method of teaching has revolutionized higher education, becoming the favored technique of presenters who want to help groups entertain options outside their normal repertory of programmed responses. In *Christian Mission: A Case Study Approach*, Alan Neely of Princeton Theological Seminary adapts this educational tool to the study of cross-cultural ministries and mission. First, Neely introduces the case study in Christian thought by analyzing what is meant by a "context" and what the problem of contextualization means. This introduction will help classroom instructor as well as the casual reader understand how to use "cases" and what issues are involved. Neely then tackles questions that arise in the encounter of Christianity with Buddhism, Islam, Judaism, and primal religions. From the contemporary case of "A Letter from Claire" to the classic historical study "Roberto de Nobili," *Christian Mission* clearly illustrates how far and deep questions of

contextualization run.

Serving with Eyes Wide Open - David A. Livermore 2012-12-01

Short-term mission trips are great ways to impact the kingdom. Yet they can lack effectiveness because of mistakes or naiveté on the part of participants. In this insightful and timely book, David A. Livermore calls us to serve with our eyes open to global and cultural realities so we can become more effective cross-cultural ministers. *Serving with Eyes Wide Open* is a must-have book for anyone doing a short-term mission or service project, whether domestic or overseas. Foreword by Paul Borthwick.

Ministering Cross-Culturally - Sherwood G. Lingenfelter 2016-03-15

With more than 125,000 copies in print, this model for effective personal relationships in a multicultural and multiethnic world has proven successful for many. On the occasion of its thirtieth anniversary, this contemporary classic has been thoroughly updated to reflect Sherwood Lingenfelter's mature thinking on the topic and to communicate with modern readers, helping them minister more effectively to people of different cultural and social backgrounds. It is accessible, practical, and applicable to many ministry situations. An accompanying interactive questionnaire, designed to help students reflect on their own cultural values, is available online through Baker Academic's Textbook eSources.

Teaching Cross-Culturally - Judith E. Lingenfelter 2003-06-01

Teaching Cross-Culturally is a challenging consideration of what it means to be a Christian educator in a culture other than your own. Chapters include discussions about how to uncover cultural biases, how to address intelligence and learning styles, and teaching for biblical transformation. *Teaching Cross-Culturally* is ideal for the western-trained educator or missionary who plans to work in a non-western setting, as well as for those who teach in an increasingly multicultural North America.

Ministering Cross-Culturally - Sherwood G. Lingenfelter 2003-10

Ministering Cross-Culturally examines the significance of the incarnation for effective cross-cultural ministry. The authors demonstrate that Jesus needed to learn and understand the culture in which he lived before he could undertake his public ministry. The ideas in this book have proven to be successful for thousands of ministers, and the book is destined to be a resource of choice for years to come. Book jacket.

Cross-Cultural Connections - Duane Elmer 2009-08-20

With the new realities of global interconnectedness comes a greater awareness of cultural diversity from place to place. Besides differences in food and fashion, we face significant contrasts of cultural orientation and patterns of thinking. As we travel across cultures, what should we expect? How do we deal with culture shock? And can we truly connect with those we meet? Experienced cross-cultural specialist Duane Elmer provides a compass for navigating through different cultures. He shows us how to avoid pitfalls and cultural faux pas, as well as how to make the most of opportunities to build cross-cultural relationships. Filled with real-life illustrations and practical exercises, this guide offers the tools needed to reduce apprehension, communicate effectively, and establish genuine trust and acceptance. Above all, Elmer demonstrates how we can avoid being cultural imperialists and instead become authentic ambassadors for Christ. Whether you are embarking on a short-term mission trip or traveling for business or pleasure, this book is both an ideal preparation and a handy companion for your journey.

Social-Cultural Anthropology - George Allan Phiri 2009-09-01

Effective communication with the African society in the field of missions, church planting, and social development work has been and continues to be a great challenge, particularly to people from western cultural and language orientation. Africans are a "we" rather than "I" and a "dependent on" rather than "independent of" society. The worldview of a traditional African in terms of society, relationships, and communication is communal. Certainly, the African perception of communalism affects how they communicate with the people of different cultural orientation. Africa has several cultures and people differ in their communication depending on their cultural orientation. However, there are universal African cultures that act as a framework for understanding key aspects of communication with Africans for successful missions, church planting,

and social development work. This book, therefore, provides a strategy of understanding communication with the African society. The discussions in this book provide readers with different cultural orientations unique perception of the African society as s/he may be planning to communicate with the African society for missions, church planting, and social development work, even doing humanitarian ministry in African society. Although literacy levels have improved tremendously in most African countries, most of Africa is not a reading society. It is imperative to understand that most Africans still communicate orally and are not time conscious. Hence, effective communication in African societies ought to be based on storytelling rather than literature distribution, although this is in transition. In fact, Africans are oratory and good listeners. Thus, this book provides an understanding to people of different cultural orientations when they plan to communicate with the people in Africa.

Community That Is Christian - Julie A. Gorman 2002-06-01

Over the past thirty years there has been a boom in small groups, both in society at large and within the church. From Bible studies to MOPS to Alcoholics Anonymous, it is estimated that four out of ten Americans belong to a small group that meets regularly for the care and support of its members. But are these groups creating true, biblical community, or do they settle for self-focus and personal gain? Julie Gorman has studied small groups for decades and presents her analysis, insights, and suggestions in *Community That Is Christian*, an essential resource for building community in church-based small groups. This comprehensive book serves both as a text for those who equip leaders or lead small groups and as an interactive manual for small-group members, helping them transform their relationships into Christ-centered community. The book begins with biblical support for coming together, contrasting it with our often individualistic mind-set that undermines community. Gorman then sets forth the goals of community and describes the process of transformation. She draws from extensive research to address the why and the how of small-group ministry, giving special attention to gender and cultural distinctions. *Community That Is Christian* provides readers with charts, discussion questions, and inventories to further help them establish community within their small groups.

Cross-Cultural Partnerships - Mary T. Lederleitner 2010-02-23

Cross-cultural specialist Mary Lederleitner brings missiological and financial expertise to explain how global mission efforts can be funded with integrity, mutuality and transparency. Bringing together social science research, biblical principles and on-the-ground examples, she presents best practices for handling funding and finance.

Transforming Culture - Sherwood G. Lingenfelter 1998-11

Lingenfelter sets out a model for understanding the workings of a society and then applies this model to conflicts missionaries and nationals often face over economic and social issues. He makes the second edition more accessible than the first by clarifying concepts, adding case studies, and reducing the book's length. October '98 publication date.

Cross-Cultural Servanthood - Duane Elmer 2009-08-20

Duane Elmer asked people around the world how they felt about Western missionaries. The response? "Missionaries could be more effective if they did not think they were better than us." The last thing we want to do in

cross-cultural ministry is to offend people in other cultures.

Unfortunately, all too often and even though we don't mean it, our actions communicate superiority, paternalism, imperialism and arrogance. Our best intentions become unintentional insults. How can we minister in ways that are received as true Christlike service? Cross-cultural specialist Duane Elmer gives Christians practical advice for serving other cultures with sensitivity and humility. With careful biblical exposition and keen cross-cultural awareness, he shows how our actions and attitudes often contradict and offend the local culture. He offers principles and guidance for avoiding misunderstandings and building relationships in ways that honor others. Here is culturally-savvy insight into how we can follow Jesus' steps to become global servants. Whether you're going on your first short-term mission trip or ministering overseas for extended periods, this useful guide is essential reading for anyone who wants to serve effectively in international settings with grace and sensitivity.

Teaching Cross-Culturally - Judith E. Lingenfelter 2003-06

How can Christian educators teach effectively in different cultures? Here are winning principles drawn from educational theory and personal experience.

Union with Christ - J. Todd Billings 2011-11-01

Accomplished theologian J. Todd Billings recovers the biblical theme of union with Christ for today's church, making a fresh contribution to the theological discussion with important applications for theology and ministry. Drawing on Scripture and the thought of figures such as Augustine, Calvin, Bavinck, and Barth, Billings shows how a theology of union with Christ can change the way believers approach worship, justice, mission, and the Christian life. He illuminates how union with Christ can change the theological conversation about thorny topics such as total depravity and the mystery of God. Billings also provides a critique and alternative to the widely accepted paradigm of incarnational ministry and explores a gospel-centered approach to social justice. Throughout, he offers a unique and lively exploration of what is so amazing about being united to the living Christ.

Cross-Cultural Missional Partnership - Joshua Bowman 2023-03-28

Cross-cultural partnerships in today's global environment are both challenging and necessary. Misunderstanding and miscommunication often lead to conflict between culturally diverse groups. Christians must understand and evaluate their own culture, the culture of others, and the text of Scripture itself, while remaining faithful to Scripture and relevant to culture. Unmediated tensions combined with relational isolation lead to a myriad of problems. This study proposes cross-cultural missional partnership as a relationship that mediates these tensions, thereby encouraging mutual, faithful engagement in the mission of God. Cross-cultural tensions may never disappear, but within a healthy partnership, partners can assist one another in understanding and responding faithfully to Scripture. Partners help one another more faithfully interpret and apply Scripture, leading to obedience to God's will and engagement in God's mission within unique and diverse contexts.

Ministering Cross-Culturally - Sherwood G. Lingenfelter 2003

Minister more effectively to people of different cultural and social backgrounds with this incarnational model of cross-cultural ministry.

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