



## 2019 Text Books

To accompany the Reading & Reflection Guide Volume B:  
Living Faithfully in a Multi-Cultural World

### Year One - The Hebrew Scriptures

- ◆ *A Short Introduction to the Hebrew Bible* (3<sup>rd</sup> edition) by John J. Collins
- ◆ *The Hebrew Bible: Feminist & Intersectional Perspectives* edited by Gale A. Yee

### Year Two - The New Testament

- ◆ *Introducing the New Testament* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) by Mark Allen Powell

### Year Three – Church History

- ◆ *Christianity: The First Three Thousand Years* by Diarmaid MacCulloch

### Year Four - Theology, Ethics, and Interfaith Encounter

- ◆ *Theology: A Very Brief Introduction* by David Ford
- ◆ *Mysteries of Faith* by Mark McIntosh
- ◆ *The Christian Moral Life: Practices of Piety* by Timothy F. Sedgwick
- ◆ *My Neighbor's Faith: Stories of Interreligious Encounter, Growth, and Transformation* edited by Jennifer Howe Peace, Or N. Rose, and Gregory Mobley

### Interlude Texts (all year levels)

- ◆ *Faithful Neighbors* edited by Robert S. Heaney, Zeyneb Sayilgan, and Claire Haymes
- ◆ *Huia Come Home* by J Ruka (ISBN: 9781877487996, published by Oati and printed in New Zealand.)

*Huia Come Home* is the first Interlude Book selected by EFM NZ specifically for use in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Revisiting the early missionaries, the transformative message of the gospel and the cultural missteps of the Treaty of Waitangi, *Huia Come Home* invites us to reconnect with the unique story offered by the indigenous Maori lens.

*Please Note:* The study material to accompany *Huia Come Home* will be available as a supplement early in 2019.  
It will not be included in the initial print of the Volume B RRG.

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## CONGRATULATIONS to our Recent EFM Graduates



EFM Graduates and Mentor from the Wellington Cathedral of St Paul Group after receiving the EFM NZ Certificates at the Graduation Eucharist, November 2018.

### **Wellington Cathedral of St Paul Group** (Mentored by Raewyn Berkahn)

*Rey Enriquez*

*Bruce McLennan*

*Shirley McLennan*

*John Nippert*

*Jennifer Patterson*

*Caroline Williams*

### **Te Awakairangi (Lower Hutt) Group** (Mentored by Jean Malcolm)

*Patrick Harrison*

*Lois Holmes*

## **EFM Worship Prayer** (by Steph Shaw, Marton EFM Group, 2018)

*I cannot be in Creation without being touched*

*The wind brushes my cheek*

*The sun kisses my skin*

*Noises sound in my ear*

*I feel grounded.*

*The earth undergirds me*

*The heavens vault over me*

*Verdant nature sweeps around me.*

*Though there is activity, there is peace.*

*In your handiwork, I see Your face.*

*In this place, I am here.*

*I am*

*You are*

*Amen.*

## 2018 EFM Trust Board Members

The Ven. Monty Black  
The Rev'd Tricia Carter (Chair)  
Sharron Coles  
The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother  
The Rev'd Brother Andrew McKean  
The Rev'd Leanne Munro  
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## EFM Scholarship

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Please include your "Name" & "Scholarship" as a Reference, and ensure that you notify EFM of your donation.

*Receipts will be issued for donations of \$5 or more, and may be used for claiming a tax credit.*

## EFM Groups

During 2018 there have been EFM Groups meeting in the following areas:

Onehunga  
Papakura  
Havelock North  
Hamilton  
New Plymouth  
Dannevirke  
Marton  
Levin  
Feilding  
Palmerston North  
Pahiatua  
Porirua  
Wellington Cathedral  
Lower Hutt  
Dunedin

If you are keen to join an EFM group, or attend Mentor Training, please contact Valda [admin@efm.org.nz](mailto:admin@efm.org.nz)

## Looking for a Secret Santa Gift?

This Christmas the Auckland City Mission has launched an online store that allows you to buy a novelty gift, but the real gift is a donation to the Mission. It's a great way to give something fun without actually gifting something that will be put away for re-gifting. Instead your recipient will receive a fun e-card (which you can print out and wrap up as a fun gift) and the knowledge that this gift has gone to those in need.

See [www.badgiftsforgood.co.nz](http://www.badgiftsforgood.co.nz) and let your Secret Santa gifts support the work of the Auckland City Mission.



**May hope, peace, joy  
and love fill your home  
and heart!**

**EFM NZ wishes you and  
your family a blessed  
Advent!**



## EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

*Fertile ground to grow your faith*

Like the mustard seed, we need fertile soil to grow. Education for Ministry (EfM) is like that fertile soil and we are the mustard seeds.

Learning about the Old and New Testaments, church history, and discovering theology is the light shining on the soil, warming it so the seed will sprout.

### ***EFM News from around NZ***

What's happening with EFM in your area?

Let us know so we can include your news in the next newsletter.

Email [admin@efm.org.nz](mailto:admin@efm.org.nz)

***EFM – because Exploring Faith Matters***



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