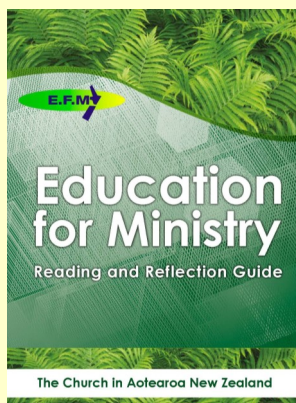




New Reading & Reflection Guide:

***The Church in Aotearoa
New Zealand***



This new 10 week Reading & Reflection Guide: The Church in Aotearoa NZ prepared by Judith Wigglesworth, with the support and guidance of Sue Woodhouse and our EFM Trainers, has been designed to supplement "Christianity in Aotearoa" by Allan Davidson.

Trainers will provide advice and support in integrating this component into the EFM programme in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The EFM NZ Board appreciates and values this valuable contribution towards EFM and has confirmed that completion of the 10 week unit: The Church in Aotearoa NZ is a compulsory component for the completion of the EFM programme in NZ and award of the EFM NZ certificate.

2017 EFM Fees

2017 EFM Registration Fee will be \$260.70. The administration of EFM Registrations, Enrolments & Distribution of Resources will only occur during the period 1 February – 30 November in any calendar year. It is anticipated that new EFM groups will not commence during the period 1 December – 31 January.

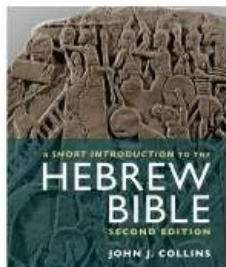
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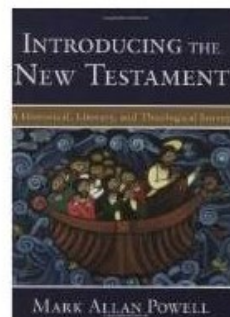


Year 1 - The Hebrew Scriptures

A Short Introduction to the Hebrew Bible by John J. Collins

Year 2 - The New Testament

Introducing the New Testament by Mark Allen Powell



Year 3 - Church History

Christianity: The First Three Thousand Years by Diarmaid MacCulloch



Year 4 - Theology, Ethics, and Interfaith Encounter

Theology - A Very Short Introduction by David F. Ford, Oxford University Press, 2013.

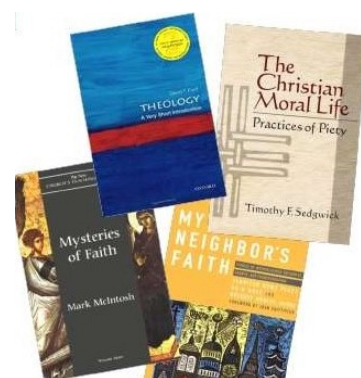
(Part of the Oxford University Press Very Short Introduction Series)

Mysteries of Faith by Mark McIntosh. Cowley Publications, 2000.

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The Christian Moral Life: Practices of Piety by Timothy F. Sedgwick. Seabury Books, 2008

My Neighbour's Faith: Stories of Interreligious Encounter, Growth, and Transformation editors Jennifer Howe Peace, Or. N Rose, Gregory Mobley. Orbis Books 2012



RRG Volume D: Living into the Journey with God Interlude Books:

Transformed Lives: Making Sense of Atonement Today by Cynthia S. W. Crysedale. Church Publishing, 2016.

Care for Creation by Ilia Delio, Keith Douglas Warner, Pamela Wood. Franciscan Media, 2008.

Poverty

Dear God, who ... Gives us all we are and have.

You... lift us to an awareness of your love.

I pray that... I might be open to an awareness of others

So that...the richness of the gift of life is always my thanksgiving prayer. Amen.

Dear God, who ... Sees all and knows all

You... love and care for all creation.

I pray that... you keep us mindful of those who live in poverty of thought, of spirit, of health and of love. Show me how I can minister to these people and continue to love them

So that...their lives can change for the better. Amen.

2017 EFM Conference

21-24 June 2017

at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

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