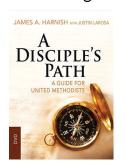
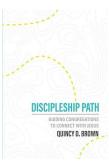


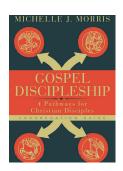
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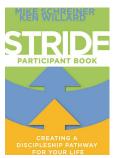
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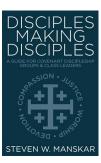
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A Disciple's Path: A Guide for United Methodists by James A. Harnish with Justin LaRosa. This DVD study helps us look beyond membership, presenting an engaging approach to discipleship from a distinctly Wesleyan perspective.

Discipleship Path: Guiding Congregations to Connect with Jesus by Quincy D. Brown. Designed to help churches to discern, dream, and dream next step practices for discipleship.

Gospel Discipleship: 4 Pathways for Christian
Discipleship by Michelle J. Morris. Individuals and
congregations learn how to engage in self-reflection, which
can then help them define a path to discipleship that fits
their context.

Upcoming Events

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- Aug 24: United Women in Faith Charter for Racial Justice Event, Garner UMC, Garner, NC
- Aug 25: Cross and Key Ministries Sunday
- Sep 3: Season of Creation Webinar Series Begins (Online)
- Sep 11 & 12: Creator, Creature, Collards: A Bible Study from the Farm (Online)
- Sep 12: Understanding Trauma and Cultivating Compassion in Faith Communities, Christ the King UMC, Clayton, NC

Stride: Creating a Discipleship Pathway for Your Church by Mike Schreiner and Ken Willard. Shares the successful principles developed at Morning Star UMC and shows you how to plot a course to fruitful discipleship in your church.

Disciples Making Disciples: A Guide for Covenant Discipleship Groups and Class Leaders by Steven W. Manskar. How to organize covenant discipleship groups and introduce this powerful disciple-making office to the congregation. Books for youth and children's groups also available.

Faith Beyond Youth Group: Five Ways to Form Character and Cultivate Lifelong Discipleship by Kara Powell, Jen Bradbury, and Brad M. Griffin. Offers five ways adult youth leaders can cultivate character for a lifetime of growing closer to Jesus rather than drifting away.

Upcoming Grant Opportunities

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- Applications due Sep 10: Racial Ethnic Local Church Concerns (Discipleship Ministries)
- Applications due Sep 15: Peace with Justice Grants (NC Conference Board of Church and Society)
- Applications due Oct 3: Rural Church Grants (Duke Endowment)
- Applications due Nov 30: Clergy Loan Program (United Methodist Foundation)



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Rooted in Love

Rooted in Love is a short-term program with potential for significant, long-term impact. It's an opportunity to equip rural churches with thorough hospitality resourcing and a step-by-step process to visit nearby churches to evaluate what others are doing. Seeing how others welcome can be eye-opening and ministry-changing.

By participating in Rooted in Love, your church leaders will better understand the value of building relationships with people outside of their current church community. In doing so, they may fully claim the vitality the rural church can offer.

Rooted in Love includes four in-person gatherings with worship and content, starting in the fall of 2024 and ending in the spring of 2025. Each gathering aims to bring several churches in one region together to build community across the United Methodist connection. We will bring our session leaders to you so that travel is not a barrier. Your churches will provide worship leaders and space to gather. We will take care of the rest!



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#SeeAllThePeople from Discipleship Ministries of The United Methodist Church

What would happen if we stopped fixing our church and started seeing all the people Christ calls us to reach?

#SeeAllThePeople is a movement of United Methodists who have decided to keep our focus on the main thing: making disciples of Jesus Christ.

It's about developing authentic, organic and consistent relationships with our neighbors. Real relationships create space and provide natural opportunities to introduce the beginning of discipleship. It's using Jesus as an example to see all the people who live around our churches.

Making disciples is not about filling pews, raising budgets, or even keeping our church alive. Rather, disciple-making occurs when congregations have a system, method, or intentional process to shepherd those outside our church into a fuller and mature understanding of the Christian faith.

Intentional discipleship means we know and have planned out the many ways that people new to the faith enter into our church and move to deeper levels of maturity in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

The discipleship resources on the #SeeAllThePeople website include free ebooks, online video series, radio series, films, and more.

