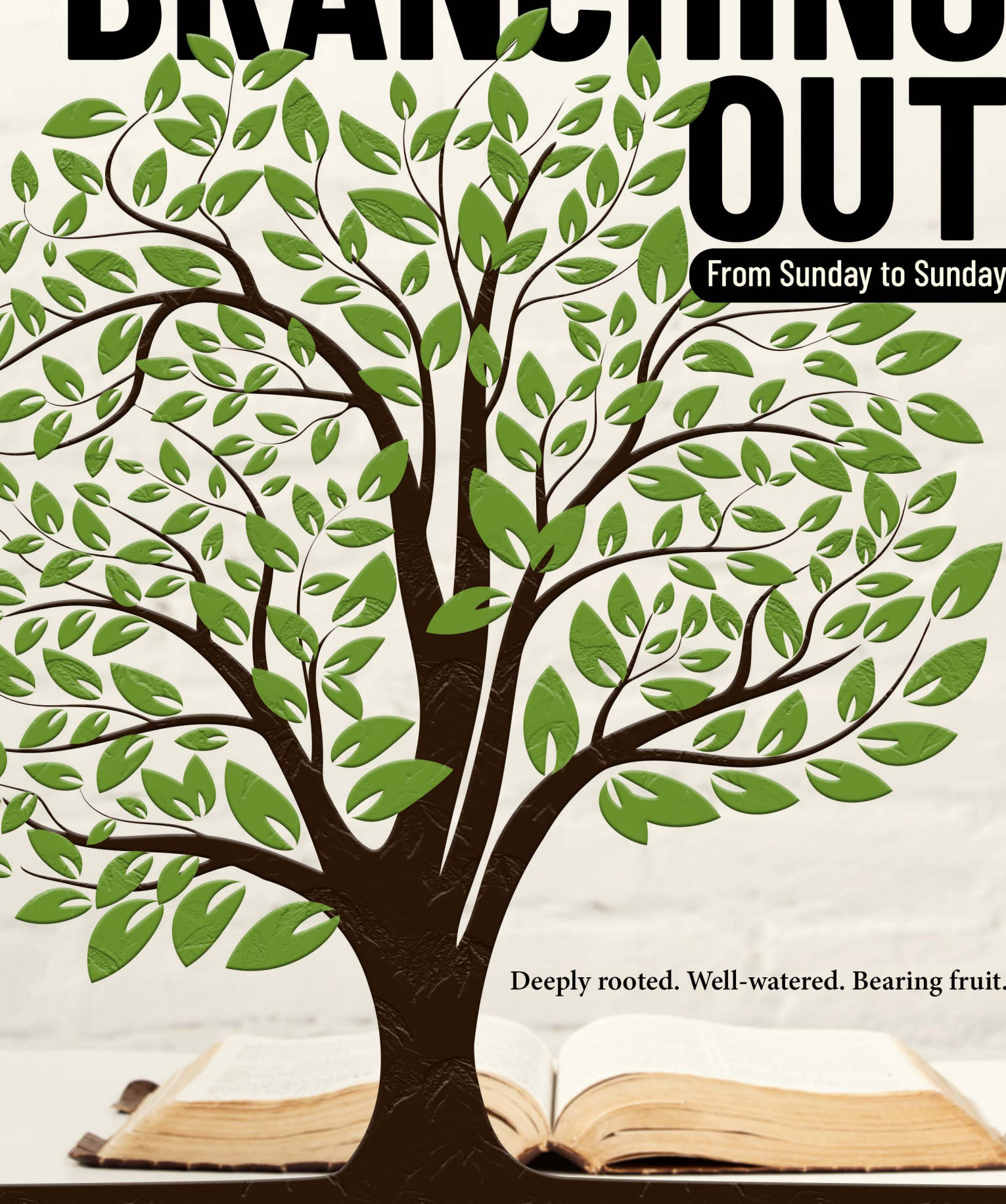


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# BRANCHING OUT

From Sunday to Sunday


Deeply rooted. Well-watered. Bearing fruit.



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Dear Brother in Christ,

Our heavenly Father encourages us to grow continually in his Word. That's for our spiritual good, and God promises to bless our time spent doing so.

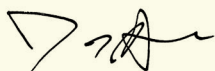
I know you preach and teach the need for daily spiritual growth for your church family with loving, heartfelt words rooted in the gospel. God changes sin-darkened hearts through such means. When God's people gather around his Word and sacraments, we are strengthened and encouraged to grow in faith to live in the gospel's light and share that life-changing message with others.

The Christ-centered, gospel-rich resources, programs, and plans in this catalog are a collection of ideas—all crafted with the goal that Christians be deeply rooted and well-watered in the Word through their usage. Not just once a week. *Every day*. Some ideas come from the dedicated efforts of Christians serving you at Northwestern Publishing House. Others come from your fellow, faithful workers in the harvest fields who have put their ideas into practice and are already seeing them produce fruit. You might be familiar with some of these ideas and how they can be used—others might be new and make you wonder, *Could this work at my church?*

Pray about these ideas with your church leadership team. Take them as the suggestions they are and make them your own—to fit your church family's unique setting and needs. *Please reach out to us*. Ask, *Would something like this be possible?* We're here to serve you and our Lord. Implement one idea or try several and see what God brings about.

I thank God for you and pray that he continues to bless your efforts in his name. To paraphrase the apostle Paul: Keep faithfully planting the seeds and watering them. God will do the rest.

A fellow worker in Christ,



Jeremy Angle  
NPH President

# Care Packages & Welcome Baskets




- » NPH has carefully chosen, bundled, and discounted spiritual growth resources to give to current members and prospects
- » Specific care packages for Christians in all aspects of life—whether they're heading off to college, getting married, raising a family, growing in faith, or getting ready to go home to heaven
- » Creates a personal, heartfelt connection between members with the gift of Christ-centered books
- » Welcome baskets are a great way to welcome new members to your church family
- » Welcome baskets also provide evangelism opportunities with new community members

[Click here](#) to learn how one church family uses welcome baskets in their community!







“ We’ve had a chance to pray for those transitioning into a new home, planning to have surgery, hoping for more children, blessings on weddings, etc. ”

“ We’ve already had questions about our Sunday school program, as well as phone calls looking for more information. ”

“ This mission activity has provided new ways for members of Christ’s body . . . to participate in his evangelism call. The gospel is going out, its good news reaching the cross section of ethnic and economic diversity in our community. ”

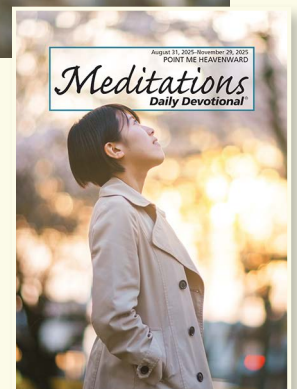
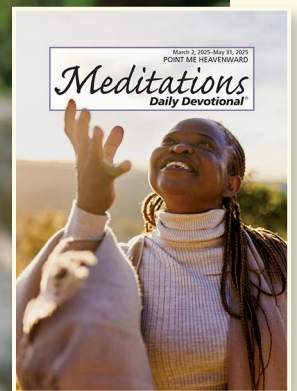
“ Parents showing their children the DVDs (*Road to Emmaus*; *Come Follow Me*; *My Son, My Savior*; *To the Ends of the Earth*) have found help in answering questions from their little ones about God. ”

[Click here](#) to view the carefully chosen care packages available from NPH!




June 1, 2025–August 30, 2025  
POINT ME HEAVENWARD

# *Meditations* **Daily Devotional®**



- » Short, easy-to-read devotions every day
- » Easy starting place for implementing home devotions
- » Solid law/gospel content on every page
- » Scripture-based and applicable to daily Christian living
- » Usually ties in well with the three-year lectionary





*Meditations* is a way for us to assist families who are not WELS but have enrolled . . . in our childcare.

We offer [*Meditations*] to all of our shut-in members and less active members for outreach.

We make mention of *Meditations* during Bible study, or when a member asks about a devotion.

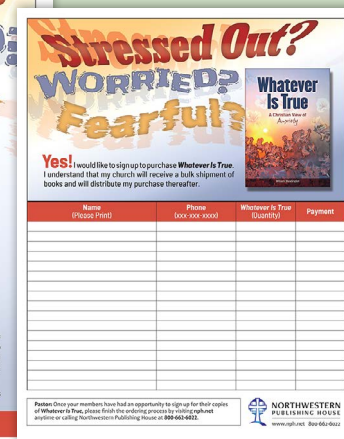
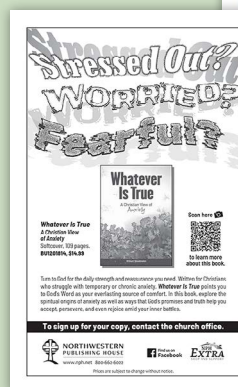
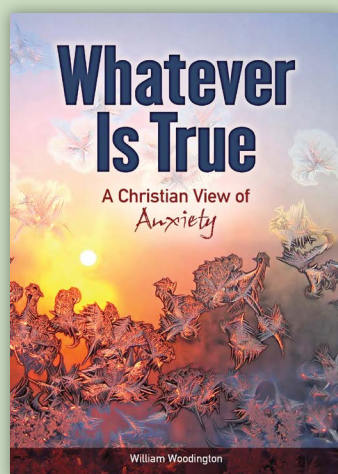
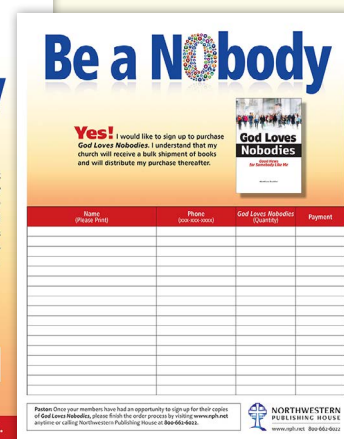
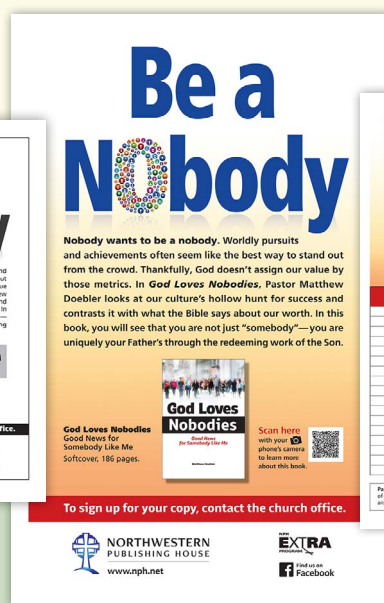
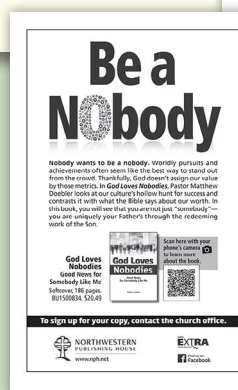
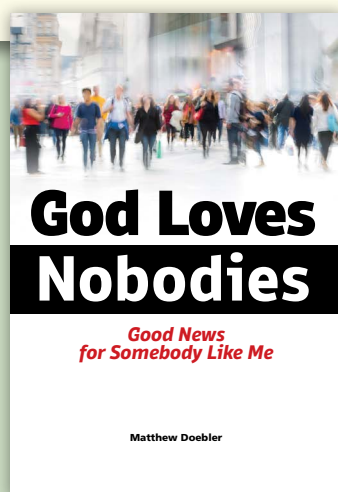
We use [*Meditations*] as part of catechism instruction. Fifth-sixth grade students receive a summer booklet and write a plan for how to utilize it during summer months with their family.

[Click here](#) to learn more about *Meditations Daily Devotional*®.



# NPH Sample Mailing Program

- » Complimentary book sent to the church office ahead of time
- » Church-wide opportunity to read a faith-building book together
- » Excellent tie-in to Bible class—either on Sunday or during the week
- » Raise awareness about helpful Christ-centered resources
- » Annual program you can take part in with your church family



Mailing includes the book, copy master, sign-up sheet, and poster



“ I got the complimentary copy and thought it would make for a terrific Bible class . . . everyone that attended the Bible study got a free copy. ”

“ We were looking for ways to help our school parents keep the Word of God in front of their children and make it a part of their daily life . . . a member graciously purchased the books. ”

“ Many [members] have commented on how they have grown through these books. ”

“ I prefer to have something in my hand when I go to [visit members], so I chose this book. I felt it would be an excellent way to give the people something that would last beyond my presence . . . to encourage and feed them spiritually. ”

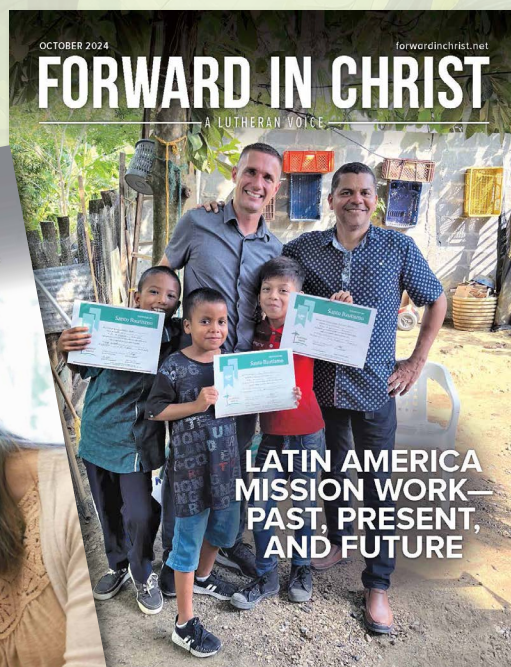
[Click here](#) for free promotional materials for this year's sample mailing.




# FORWARD IN CHRIST

A LUTHERAN VOICE

- » Insightful personal stories from fellow Christians
- » Helpful advice for growing in faith life
- » Monthly Scripture-based articles and Bible studies
- » Helps members see their larger community of believers
- » Something you can hand to members after church or at visits





A man with short brown hair and a light beard is sitting in a black wheelchair, looking upwards and to the left. He is wearing a light blue button-down shirt. The background is a church interior with warm lighting, featuring stained glass windows and wooden pews.

“ It is good to continue to produce something for the laity that they can have in their hands and not just on a screen. ”

“ It’s an . . . often devotional-esque resource that encourages [members] in their faith and understanding. ”

“ We hand deliver the issues to worship goers after church and have extras available in the back of church. ”

“ We see the magazine as useful for the encouragement of our members. . . . There are a number of times when I hear positive remarks about an article that someone read, whether it’s about work in our synod or . . . about a doctrinal article. People appreciate it. ”

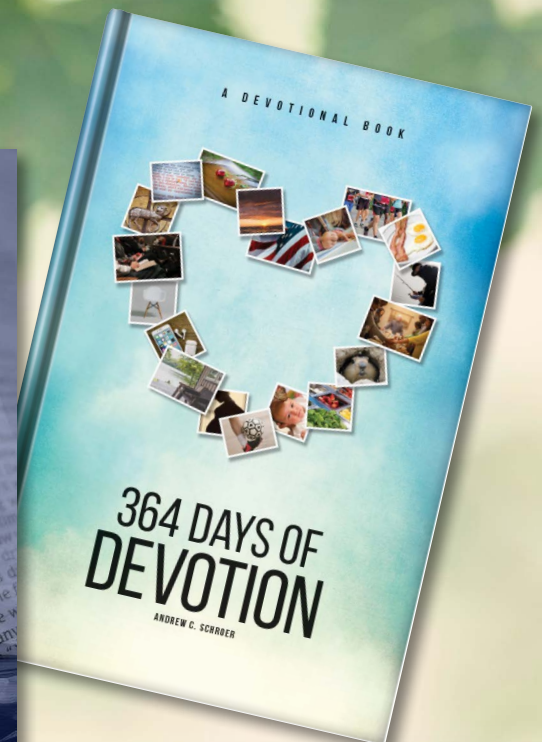
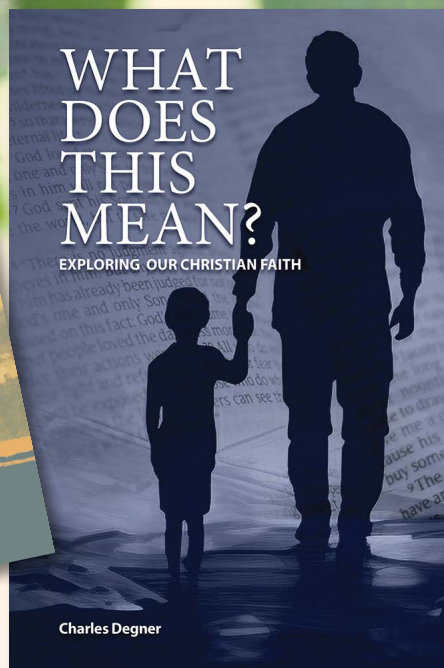
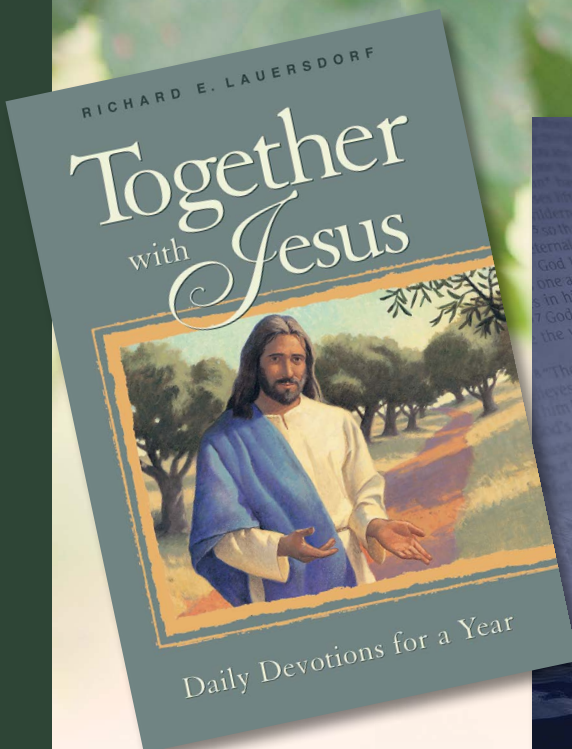
[Click here](#) to learn more about *Forward in Christ*.

# Church-Wide Reading Program

- » Take part in reading yearlong devotion books as a church family
- » Builds community among members
- » Encourages accountability to be in the Word every day—as individuals and as a family
- » Neat opportunity for your church to interact with members daily
- » Great discussion starters/tie-ins before Bible class

[Click here](#) to learn how one church family is using a church-wide reading program!

[Learn more](#) about how the program is going for them.







Like every congregation, our goal is to get our church members in contact with Word and sacrament.



We thought, 'What if everyone in our church family could be thinking about Jesus every single day? How awesome would that be?'



A personal trainer doesn't just say, 'Go and work out.' . . . We thought we needed to give our congregation a little more direction and accountability. And so we decided that . . . we were going to purchase everyone a hard copy of a devotional.

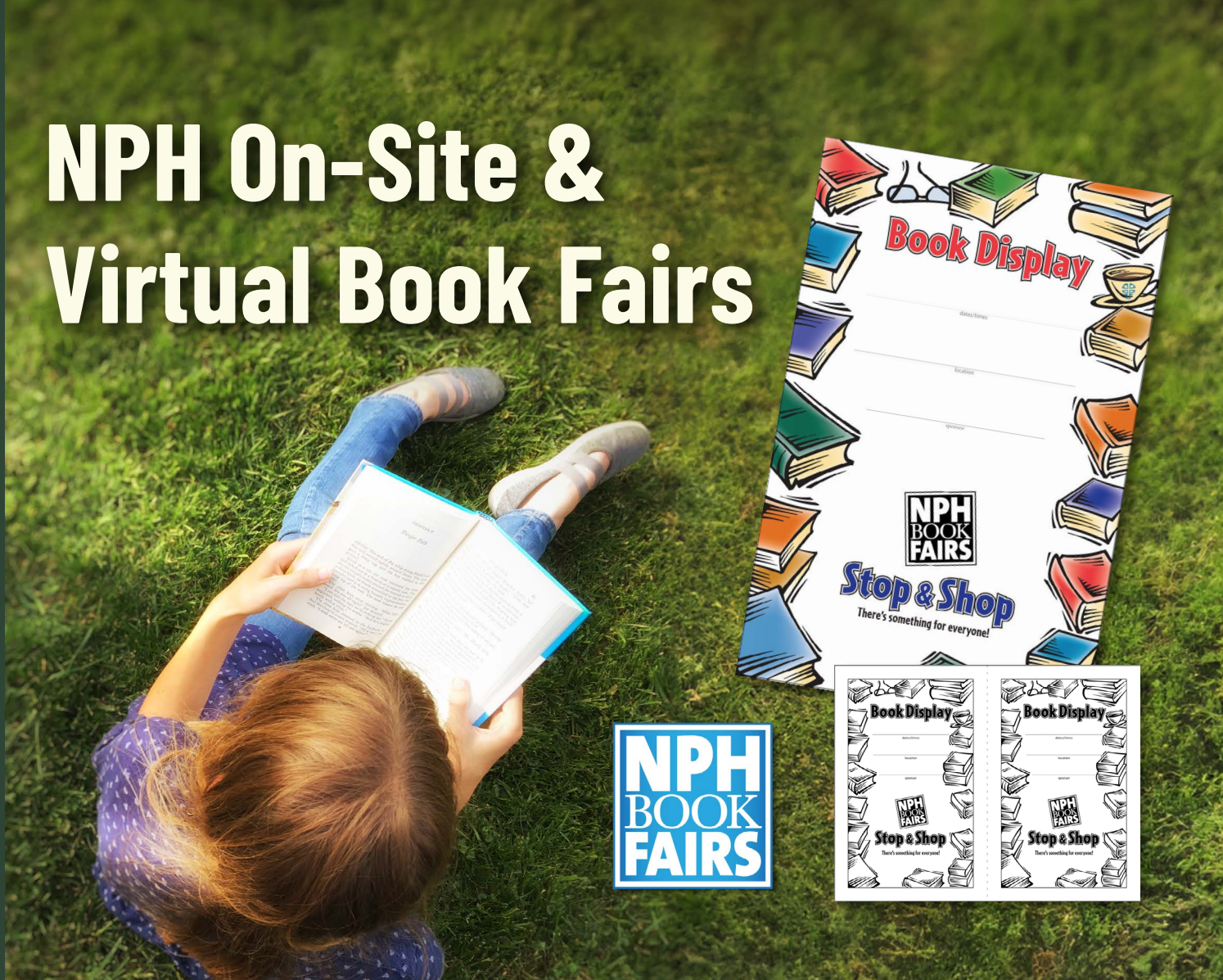


We want people to put the devotional in the best spot possible for each person to read it. So if a family of five each has a devotional on their nightstand (car, locker, workplace, etc.), that's the best percentage chance we have of each person actually reading it.





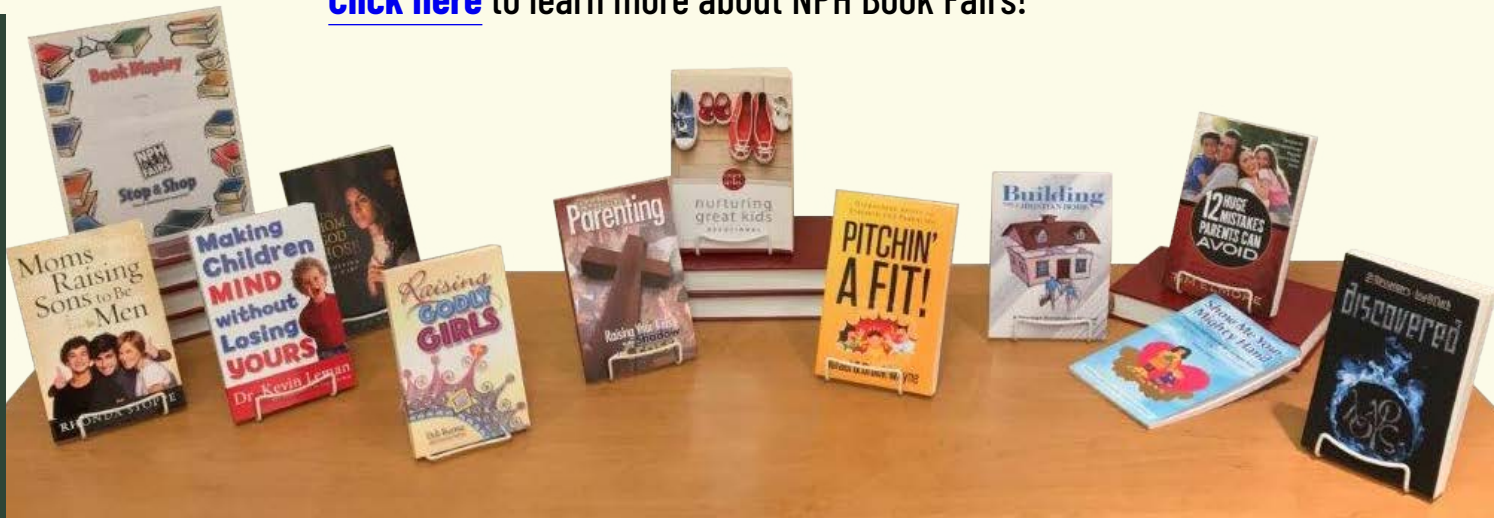
# NPH On-Site & Virtual Book Fairs




*Whether on-site or virtual, book fairs put discounted Christ-centered content in members' hands.*

- » On-site book fairs provide opportunities to meet and greet participants
- » On-site book fairs let people browse books before purchasing
- » Virtual book fair orders ship directly to fair participants
- » Virtual book fairs run 24/7 with no setup/takedown required

[Click here](#) to learn more about NPH Book Fairs!







“ We promote the book fair with Christmas items also for sale around Thanksgiving each year. ”

“ I’m thinking that after our next fair, I should have a Bible class based on one of the books and then have everyone buy the book through the fair. ”

“ It’s been a benefit. [We] always want to have a good variety of books that relate to people’s lives today. ”

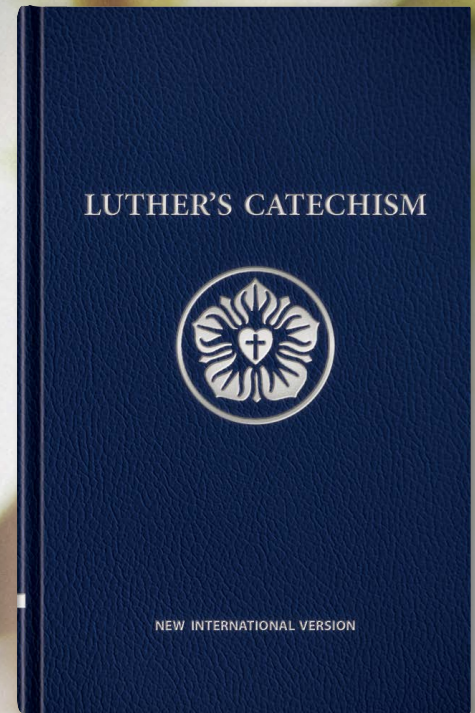
“ It’s simple. It saves on shipping. It’s super convenient. It gets trustworthy materials in people’s hands. ”





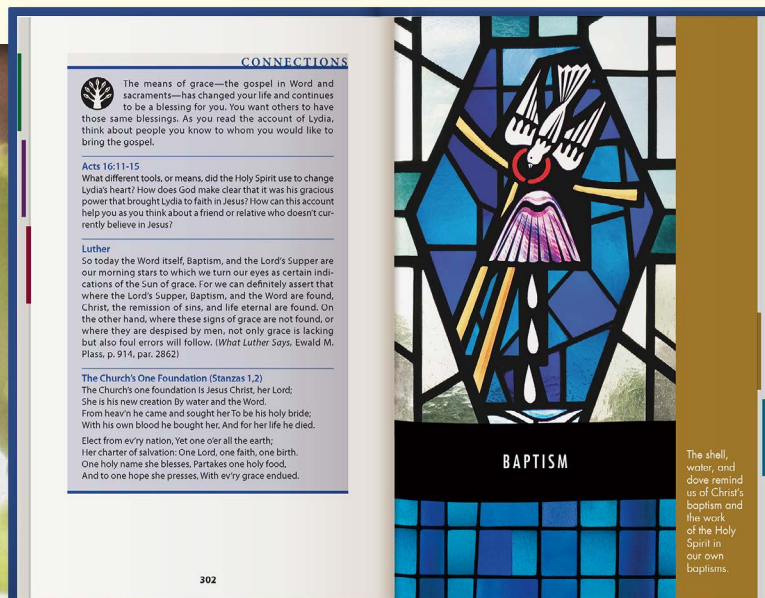
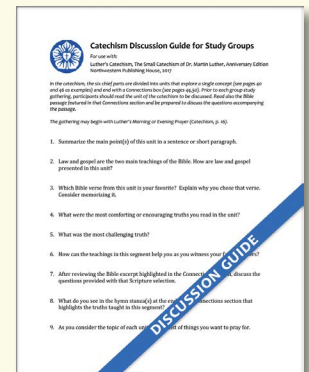
# Luther's Catechism

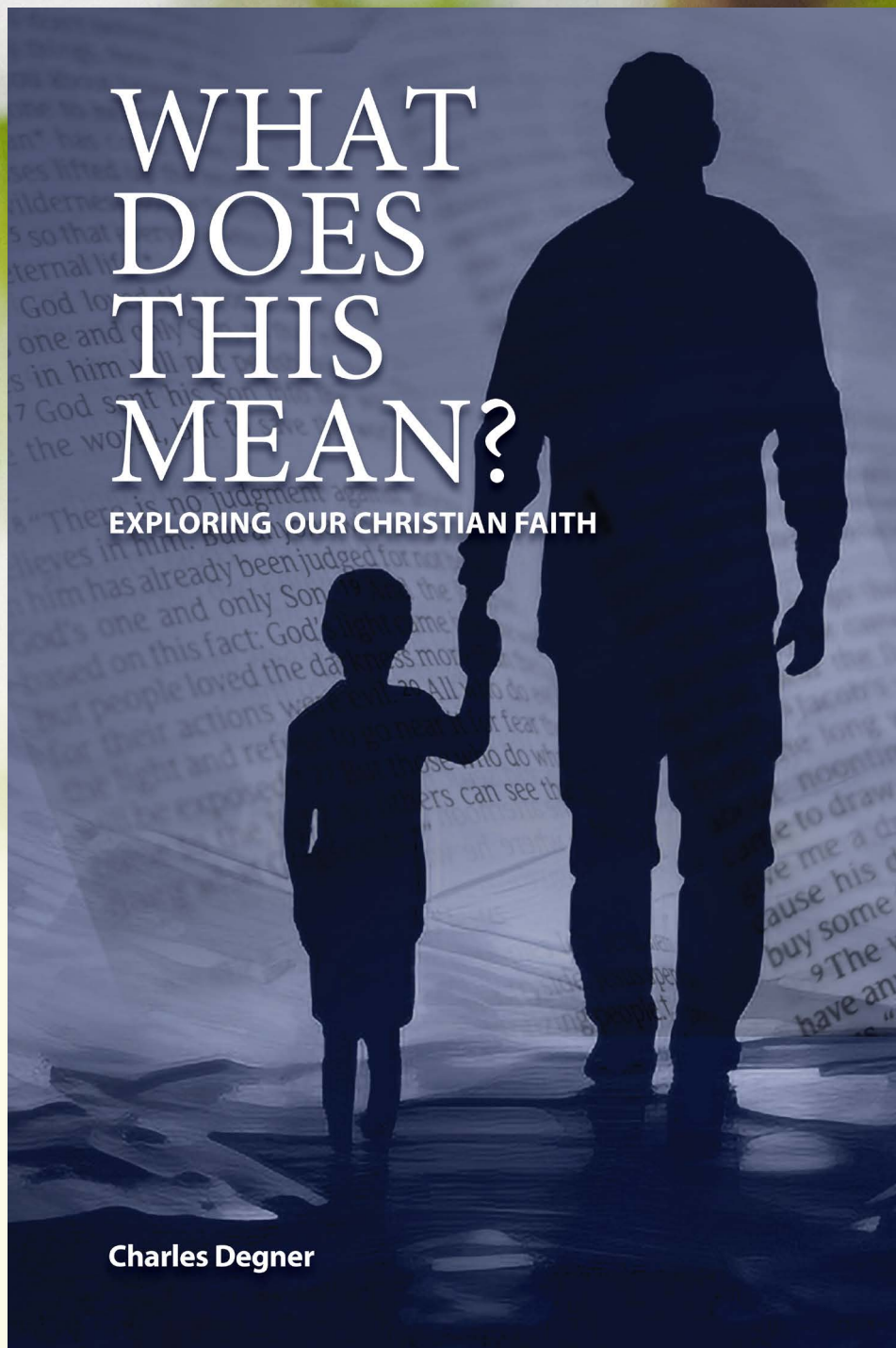
“Luther’s conviction that the catechism should be a tool for lifelong learning has influenced the design and development of this book.”



- » Designed to engage and equip Christians of all ages throughout life
- » Q&A approach helps readers discover truths directly from the Word
- » Lessons tie in to biblical history, leading to greater Bible literacy
- » A free [reusable discussion guide](#) helps study groups and families grow together

[Click here](#) to learn more about *Luther's Catechism*.






This yearlong devotional book by Pastor Charles Degner is based on the questions in *Luther's Catechism* and will help your members and their families discover and meditate on biblical teachings in a planned, easy-to-follow way.

[Click here](#) to learn how families in your church can use this book!



# Faith Foundations for Every Christian



- 
- » Hymns and readings from the previous Sunday to reflect on at home
  - » Devotional plans and personal prayers in *Christian Worship: Hymnal* to use with the Bible

- » Psalms, applicable prayers, and helpful insights for devotions in *Christian Worship: Psalter*
- » *My Christian Worship* helps members get the most out of worship on Sunday and throughout the week

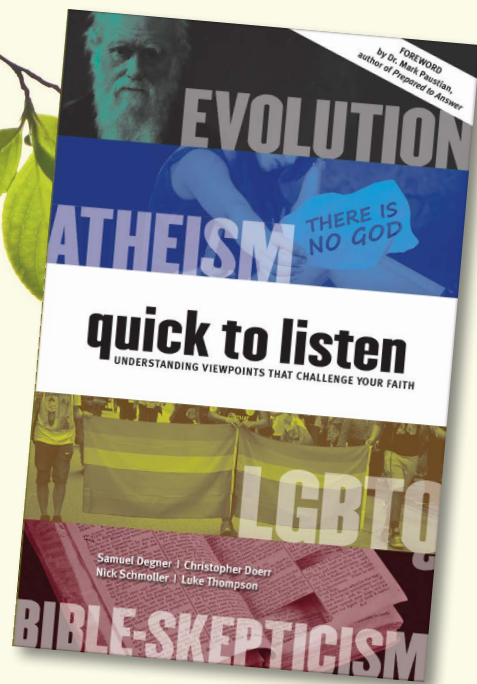
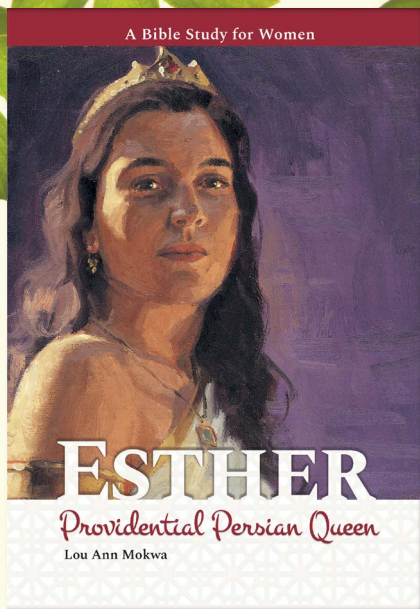


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# Church Book Clubs

- » Creates community connections within your church family
- » Works for small or large groups
- » Bible study books provide an easy-to-follow format for groups
- » Christian living books are directly applicable to daily life
- » Books with discussion guides and Bible study kits based on books from NPH encourage lay leader involvement



Click on product images for more information.





Theologically sound, easy to read and discuss with a group, and full of insight.



(A review on *Esther: Providential Persian Queen*)



This book is arranged in a manner that is excellent for a . . . weeknight study. You won't be disappointed.



(A review on *The Heart of Faith: Reflections on Key Chapters of the Bible*)



Provoked wonderful conversation.



(A review on *Quick to Listen: Understanding Viewpoints That Challenge Your Faith*)



This devotional book is a treasure chest full of priceless treasures and theological gold.



(A review on *Our Worth to Him: Devotions for Christian Worship*)



Best campus ministry Bible study we've ever had.



(A review on *Quick to Listen: Understanding Viewpoints That Challenge Your Faith*)



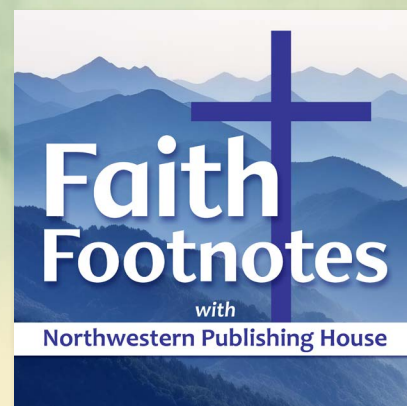
# NPH Blog & Podcast

The NPH blog site covers everything from devotional thoughts about Scripture to recommendations for Christ-centered books and resources for your church family. With over five hundred total posts and counting, you can be sure that whatever the topic, Jesus is at its heart. Share weekly posts via your newsletter and encourage your members to subscribe at [blog.nph.net](http://blog.nph.net) for free!

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