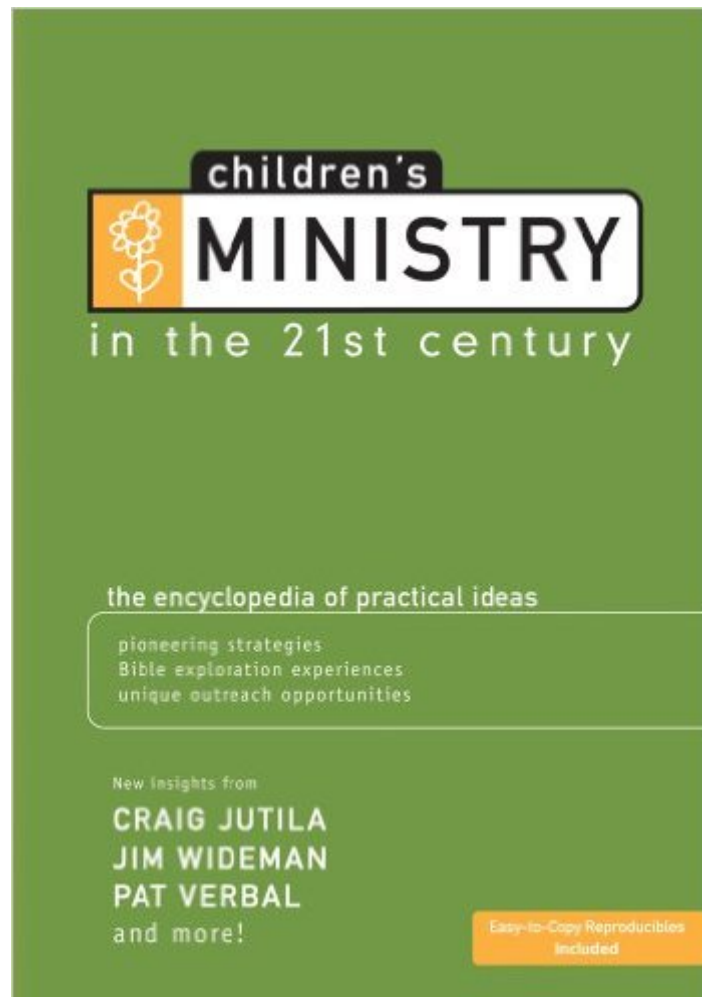


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# Children's Ministry In The 21st Century: The Encyclopedia Of Practical Ideas



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Get ready for what's coming next in Children's Ministry...Here's how.Ten front-line Children's Ministry experts peeked out over the horizon to identify ten trends shaping ministry in the next ten years.See inside to discover...How current culture is rewiring kids' brains--and secrets for connecting with childrenThe latest education trends embraced by schools--and how they'll impact your Sunday schoolMorphing Children's Ministry into Family Ministry--and how that supersedes your impactWhat kinds of children are about to land in your ministry--and how to be ready for themPlus six more must-know insights--and practical activities that help you take advantage of shifting trends in your Children's Ministry.Be prepared.It's good advice for scouts...and even better advice for you.

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Children's Ministry in the 21st Century is a book by a group of authors to help children's ministers stay up to date in the way they minister to children. In each chapter, an author writes briefly about how a child learns, what they will react to, and what is unique about the children of the 21st century. At the end of each chapter, 10 activities are given to implement what was taught by the author in the chapter. Activities are often family/adult inclusive. For instance, a family movie night is one of the activities suggested to minister to the family unit, and not just to the child. After the movie, the kids, parents, and children's minister meet in a home to discuss the quality of the movie and what Jesus would think. This activity is useful because it helps children think critically about the activities they are frequently involved in. That way, Christianity is not just a way to look at

things, but a lens by which we look at everything else. Another benefit of this book is that it outlines what a family ministry entails. Methods are given to support the family in their effort to lead their children spiritually, which is highly necessary. Personally, I doubted there was any major revamping needed to the way we do ministry to children due to their generational difference, because the Word of God bears fruit no matter where it goes, and no effort of man will make a soul receive the Word of God. However, I was convinced that it is still useful after the book presented the surprising statistics on the amount of time that children spend on technology. They are engaged in 6.5 hours of media a day! Biblically, 1 Chronicles 12:32 notes about the men of Issachar that they "understood the signs of the times and knew the best course for Israel to take." • This reminded me of LifeChurch.tv.

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