

Aging Reading Certification Guide

New Beginnings has developed a reading program to assist church leaders learn more about issues related to the Inter-generational & second-half aging process and ministry to our maturing society.

The program is open to anyone interested in a self-guided learning experience about inter-generational cognizance and second-half aging process (body, mind, and spirit) and ministry by, for, and with second-halfers. There are three certifications: Bronze (Four books completed in one year), Silver (Eight books completed in one year) and Gold (Twelve books completed in one year). A certification of completed is awarded in recognition of commitment to second half ministries upon having read four to twelve books and completion of the corresponding response form.

A reading List and Book Synopsis & Application Response Form are provided. Books not on the list consistent in focus with the reading program may be approved. Selecting the level of certification and books, obtaining and reporting on the books are an individual responsibility. The formation of a study group or a self-study mentor is suggested for facilitate certification level and book selection, meeting schedule, agenda, motivation, fellowship and prayer.

New Beginnings can handle documents (Reading List and Book Synopsis & Application Response Form), initial setup and answer possible periodic questions. The program works best when sponsored and administered by the responsible congregation life segment staff person with New Beginnings entirely in the background.

Aging Reading Certification List:

VOLUME 12

Fundamental Retirement/Protirement Planning

ISBN 978986190186 (sc);

9780997326918 (e)

November 27, 2015

Snippet

Starting early on, your retirement/ protirement planning is essential. Some key elements you should learn are: salvation; stewardship: preparing a budget, drafting a will plus essential non-legal documents, and leaving a lasting legacy; maintaining wellness; and works, promoting adult wellness and caring.

Protirement means retiring or quitting an unattractive job to pursue work or hobbies more suited to one's personality.

The book was written for a Second-Half Ministry Reading Certification Series and a classic primer for young adults as a self-study life retirement/ protirement planning reference guide for finishing extremely well, achieving spiritual, physical, mental, and financial health.

VOLUME 11

God's Grand Plan

ISBN 9780990649984 (sc);

9780990649991 (e)

January 18, 2015

Snippet

"Anyone can retire from a world of work, but it is quite another thing to find something to protirement to," Richard P. Morgan.

God's Grand Plan focuses on the daily living characteristics of Jesus Christ: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithful-ness, gentleness, and self-control as found in Galatians," 5:22-23 (NIV).

If you wish to be happy for the rest your life, let Jesus's thoughts become your thoughts and bend your will to His will.

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus," 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV).

Only you are in charge of your happiness. Believe and achieve!

VOLUME 10

The Second Half of Life

ISBN 9780990649960 (sc);

9780990649977 (e)

December 22, 2014

Snippet

"It is an incredible time to be growing older. This longevity factor creates new opportunities for people in the second half of life. For the first time in the history of humankind, we or our children or grandchildren may live to be 120. Today, the man or woman can anticipate living twenty to thirty or more years and needs to design a new beginning," Richard Morgan.

The Second Half of Living is self-help for second-halfers to age happily and finish extremely well.

VOLUME 9

Chism's Isms

ISBN: 9780990649946 (sc);

9780990649953 (e)

November 24 2014

Snippet

The dictionary (thesaurus) defines ISM as a distinctive cause (conviction, belief), doctrine (opinion, view point), or theory (rationale, hypothesis).

Chism's Isms is a collection of articles and essays for church leadership and second-halfers to grow, connect, serve, reach, and better prepare for a fuller, more productive, rewarding life and eternity with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The theme is making an elderhood protirement adult difference for Christianity and country.

VOLUME 8

Daily Legacy Living

ISBN 9780990649922 (sc); 9780990649939(e)

November 3, 2014

Snippet

"There are two wolves inside all of us: Good and Evil. The wolf that wins is the one that is fed." (Unknown)

Legacy is anything handed down from one generation to the next. It can be heredity, inheritance, or heritage. A legacy also leaves behind the story of a person, so that they are not forgotten. Legacies are important pathways for the future to follow or to be guided by in order to make better decisions in life. Leaving behind a legacy gives us comfort in knowing that once we are gone, we will not be erased from the memories of others. If you do not start planning the person you wish to be at an early age, it's not likely to happen.

Daily Legacy Living offers numerous ideas for maximizing your life.

VOLUME 7

Planning the Life God Wants

ISBN 9780990649908 (sc);

9780990649915 (e)

October 10, 2014

Snippet

Planning the Life God Wants was written for non-Christians, those in debt, those planning their life and those wishing to leave a legacy. The focus is on salvation and stewardship with a brief mention of mental and physical health. In our Christian walk, there is much to be accomplished in our congregation, community, state, and nation by fighting against the unshakable facts (challenge ageing intolerance and conflict unconstitutional government; and reclaiming our nation as Christian and free)

VOLUME 6

The Essential Ingredients for Second-Half Ministry

ISBN 9780986190155 (sc)

9780692231739 (e)

October 8, 2014/March 21, 2015

Snippet

The Essential Ingredients for Second-Half Ministry was written to answer the question as to the missing ingredients for the church to be successful with the new life stage of Elderhood, graduation from the public sector, and the protirement life style.

Second half of life vision, education and implementation are the keys to elderhood protirement empowerment.

VOLUME 5

Life Stages Lessons

ISBN 13: 9780986190148 (sc);

13: 9780692023945 (e)

July 20, 2014/March 21, 2015

Snippet

Life Stages Lessons were written as an Alpha Tau Omega life guide book for American's financial, mental, physical and religious health.

Everyone, particularly our children, grandkids, women, and elderhood adults, will benefit from the book. Life Stages Lessons focus on the matters that make a difference (a Budget, Estate and Legacy Planning) in this life and make all the difference (Salvation) for eternity.

The book is devoted to life seasons training to better prepare elderhood adults to implement protirement service opportunities as well as devote themselves to participatory democracy and protecting the homeland against unconstitutional government.

The focus of the book is on Inter-generational & second half of life.

VOLUME 4

A New Life Stage

ISBN 13: 9780986190131 (sc);

13: 9780616002988 (e)

November 18, 2013/March 21, 2015

Snippet

A New Life Stage is about WHY God has given us an individual plan, gifted us as well as provided us with an extra 30 years to make an eternal difference in our second half of life. The book teaches about equipping, energizing, enabling the new life stage, elderhood, life after adulthood.

VOLUME 3

Making an Aging Difference

ISBN: 13: 9780986190124 (sc);

13: 978061585 2508 (e)

February 23, 2014/March 21, 2015

Snippet

Making an Aging Difference offers a toolkit of guides for helping second-halfers make the most of the next phase of their life.

Each chapter provides both information and instruction for helping to make a more productive second half of life and potential aging legacy.

The tools were developed by New Beginnings through years of research, education and personal experience.

VOLUME 2

Longevity Response-Ability

ISBN: 13: 9780986190100 (sc)

13: 9880986190117 (e)

May 29, 2013/March 21, 2015

Snippet

Longevity Response-Ability is a collection of readings (legacy letters, stories, and plans) written by team members about what church leaders and second-halfers can do to unleash the determination and power of a new "life stage" (65-84), called Elderhood (life beyond adulthood). Step one is to educate theological educational institutions, corporate church bodies, local congregations, nonprofit and private enterprises and governmental legislative bodies about the reality of a new "life stage." The second step is to educate those in the second half of life to their choices for making a difference.

The theme is doing what you can, where you are, with what you have. Longevity Response-Ability was written to create awareness, provide momentum, and attract others to make social change. Each reading provides not only member expertise, but heartfelt instructions to better guide one's legacy journey. The book was written as a fund raiser for a better second half of life society and equality against ageism.

VOLUME 1

Second-Half Elderhood Protirement Ministry (formerly Basic Ministry for the Second Half of Life)

ISBN: 13: 9780986190162 (sc);

13: 9780986190179 (e)

October 12, 2012/March 21, 2015

Snippet

The book and the New Beginnings website promote societal awareness of inter-generational second-halfer unique DNA; mobilize more effective ministry to, with, and by second-halfers alongside talented pastors; publicize the need for intentional evangelism to reach second-halfers; encourage intergenerational benevolence and generosity development; and help second-halfers make the most of their protentional centennials.

The author's prayer for seminary and church leaders is that they may use this book to create momentum to properly equip and train seminary students, graduate pastors, and laymen about the process and realities of aging. His further prayer for second-halfers is that they will discover God's plan of significance for them and will live out their legacy for His glory in a brave new social sector.

Book Synopsis & Application Response Form:

Name Date

Address

Street City State Zip

E-mail

Phone

Book title

Author

Number of hours spent reading this book

Please list below additional reading [Book title and author] with number of hours spent:

Write a two-page synopsis of the book and attach it to this sheet using the following guidelines:

What is the author's main premise of the book? How does the author support this viewpoint?

What are the three most significant points of this book for your understanding of aging or second half ministries? Be specific. Provide examples.

How will this book and its important points guide you in developing a proactive ministry within your local congregation or community?