

Adult Bible Fellowship Resource Directory

BOOKS

1) **The ABF Book**, by Knute Larson

The book that started it all! Do a search for "Adult Bible Fellowship" and you will see the impact of this book. Hundreds of churches have implemented some form of the Adult Bible Fellowship philosophy of ministry. This pioneer book by Knute Larson, Senior Pastor at the Chapel in Akron, Ohio can be purchased at (Find the book @ www.amazon.com).

2) **The Search to Belong: Rethinking Intimacy, Community, and Small Groups**, by Joseph R. Meyers

Joe Myers offers some new insights on community. He says, community is a fundamental life search for all. We crave to belong, we need to belong. How do we build healthy community? How can we experience significant belonging? What are the environments, and what emerges? Join the conversation as we discover the language of belonging. (Find it @ www.ChristianBook.com)

3) **The Connecting Church: Beyond Small Groups to Authentic Community**, by Randy Frazee

Randy Frazee has written an excellent book on midsize communities working in synergy with other ministries of the church. The Connecting Church also offers an excellent theological foundation for community in the church and the barriers to community that the American culture breeds. Sign-up for their email newsletter @ www.theconnectingchurch.com (Find it @ www.ChristianBook.com)

4) **You Can Double Your Class in Two Years or Less & Disciple-Making Teachers: How to Equip Adults for Growth and Action**, by Josh Hunt

These books and the associated web-site (<http://www.joshhunt.com>) are not so much specifically about ABFs, but they include a ton of helpful articles and resources for any Adult CE leader that will help challenge and equip you to not settle for the status quo in your class. (Find the books @ www.ChristianBook.com)

WEBSITES

1) <http://www.abfresources.com/index.shtml>

This web-site is dedicated to spreading the word about the ABF philosophy of ministry and some practical resources to build midsize groups in local churches. Using this philosophy you can turn classes into communities! Among a collection of other resources, they also offer free subscription to a monthly e-newsletter that provides fresh ideas relating to ABFs.

2) <http://www.intentionaldiscipleship.net>

The **Intentional Discipleship Network** seeks to serve the Church of Jesus Christ around the world by connecting local churches with ministries and resources that seek to faithfully advance the fulfillment of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20). The areas of expertise and services offered by each ministry organization vary. However, the primary services we promote include training, coaching and consulting in "whole-church" intentional discipling in the local church.

3) <http://www.tnetwork.com>

T-Net International is a ministry to help churches develop and implement an intentional process of bringing people to fullness of life and maturity in Christ by utilizing Christ's proven methods of discipleship. Adult Bible Fellowships are a part of the process they help church leaders think through, according to the specific needs and resources of each local church they work with.

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