



PROFESSIONAL GROWTH BOOKS 2022-2023

The North American Division of Education is happy to bring you the annual listing of the Professional Growth Books. Some of these books are written by non-Adventist authors and, therefore, may not fully reflect Seventh-day Adventist philosophy. However, we believe there is value in these books which have been selected to inspire, bring insight, and challenge your thinking.

To secure a Professional Growth Certificate for the 2022-2023 school year, you should read the four issues of the *Journal of Adventist Education*, at least one book from Group B, and at least four additional books from two or more other headings. Some books may have been listed under two headings and will count for either group. One book of your choice, which could be classified under any of these headings, may be substituted for a book on this list.

GROUP A – READER’S CHOICE

Abraham’s Other Son: Islam Among Judaism and Christianity, Philip G. Samaan, *College Press*, 2012, 288 pages

Softcover \$--

Amazon \$8.88

The book provides an exposition of history from the perspective of Ishmael being the seed of Islam and the perspective of Isaac being the seed of the Jewish nation, and subsequently, Christianity. It is presented in a question-and-answer format that first poses extensive questions and explanations regarding Ishmael, Muhammad, Sunnis, and Shiites in the history and tenets of Islam. Next, the same question and answer format addresses Abraham and his son Isaac as the “Son of Promise”, the development of the Jewish nation, and thoughts on Jesus in Islam and Christianity. The last sections of the book make comparisons regarding the beliefs and relationships of Islam and Christianity.

Issues and Alternatives in Educational Philosophy, George R. Knight, *Andrews University Press*, 2008, 179 pages

Softcover \$19.99

Amazon \$19.99

This book has been widely accepted for 25+ years as a textbook classic for the review of modern and traditional philosophies and philosophic issues that are relevant to the educational profession. This fourth edition includes study questions of points to ponder, new materials for more current and relevant educational philosophies and an updated bibliography and references. The book's last section assists with developing and implementing your own personal philosophy of education.

GROUP B – DEVOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Deep Calling: On Being and Growing Disciples, Tara J. VinCross, *Advent Source*, 2020, 251 pages

Softcover \$14.95

Amazon \$14.95

Community and relationship are two significant components for the successful growing for disciples and discipleship. Correct beliefs are not enough to realize spiritual growth or church growth. There must be intentional focus that entails a relationship and a bond between the Master, Jesus, and the student, us. There are also specific lifestyle behaviors that cultivate spiritual growth, nurture community relationships and develop services.

Ministry of Connections, Jeremy Garlock, MA, *Eaton Press*, 2020, 81 pages

Softcover \$14.95

Amazon ¥2,484

Barnes and Noble \$15.00

Advent Source \$14.95

Connecting with people happens in different ways and in different areas of life. It is much more than just connection on a day of worship. The author discusses connections from the perspective of young people and the fact that being connected is so important. He shares the components of what is needed in order to facilitate making connections. The most important prerequisite for connecting with others is having a connection to God.

The Narrow Gate: Practicing Kindness in a Cruel World, Curtis Rittenour, *Pacific Union Conference Church Support Services*, 151 pages, 2015

Softcover \$

Amazon \$--

Advent source \$8.95

A two-part book, the first part explains why kindness is so critical to the Christian life, church as well as in the community, while the second half gives practical ways to successfully achieve. This book is an excellent study guide on life and compassion with discussion questions at the end of each chapter. You will want to include this book in your personal library. It is a really great life-changing read.

You Were Made for This Moment: Courage for Today and Hope for Tomorrow, Max Lucado, *Thomas Nelson*, 2021, 214 pages

Hardcover \$18.89

Amazon \$17.57

You will not be surprised at the book by Max Lucado—another delightful and inspiring read. He has taken the story we know so well of Esther, the character this book in the Bible is named for, and detailed how God loves and cares for his people while giving so much background on the characters and times in which they lived. One more piece of interesting information—the name of God is not mentioned in the book of Esther.

GROUP C – SDA CHURCH HISTORY

PROTEST AND PROGRESS: Black Seventh-day Adventist Leadership and the Push for Parity, Calvin Rock, *Andrews University Press*, 2018, 317 pages

Softcover \$19.99

Amazon \$19.99

Dr. Calvin Rock, in his most recent book, focuses his attention and clearly articulates the four main social protest movements of the black SDA clergy in seeking parity with whites since the early nineteen hundreds. These are:

- The push for social and administrative participation
- The push for colored conferences
- The push for black unions, and
- The push for equitable retirement security

Overall, this book is a “must read” for the serious student of church history as well as anyone seeking to understand the achievements and still to be challenges of black Seventh-day Adventists in America.

The Struggle for the Prophetic Heritage: Issues in the Conflict for Control of the Ellen G. White Publications 1230-1939, Gilbert M. Valentine, *Oak and Acorn Publishing*, 2018. 201 pages

Softcover \$--

Amazon \$12.95

The gift of prophecy was manifested through the life Ellen Gould White and was given by the Spirit to the Seventh-day Adventist church. Upon Mrs. White's death, a struggle ensued between the White estate in Elmshaven, California, and the General Conference. Although both parties agreed that her writings were for the edification of the church, they disagreed on who would maintain administrative control and responsibility. The details of years of struggle and the final resolution are outlined in Mr. Valentine's book.

GROUP D – BACKGROUND FOR TEACHING

The Handbook for the New Art and Science of Teaching, Robert J. Marzano, *Solution Tree Press*, 2019, 349 pages

Softcover \$41.95

Amazon \$26.80

Under the three teaching categories of feedback, content (lesson progression) and context (engagement, order, expectations), the author's model of effective instruction identifies 10 design areas and 332 strategies which include elements to master the strategies. Application of these strategies and designs which come from years of research and practice, create the best road map for optimum lesson and unit planning.

How Teachers Can Turn Data into Action, Daniel R. Venables, *ASCD*, 2014, 149 pages

Softcover \$25.95

Amazon \$25.95

Often translating data into practice can be an overwhelming and intimidating process. With Venables' model, templates, protocols and real-life examples, you may develop data literacy, review data, determine gaps and goals, develop action plans and determine next steps for applying data-driven changes in your classroom.

Philosophy and Education: An Introduction in Christian Perspective, George R. Knight, *Andrews University Press*, 2006, 301 pages

Softcover \$ --

Amazon \$24.99

This book has been widely accepted for 25+ years as a classic for the review of modern and traditional philosophies and philosophic issues that are relevant to the educational profession. This fourth edition includes study questions of points to ponder, new materials for more current and relevant educational philosophies and an updated bibliography and references. It also includes a new chapter on the Christian teacher in a public-school setting.

Planning and Teaching in the Standard-Based Classroom, Jeff Flygare, Jan K. Hoegh, and Tammy Heflebower, *Marzano Resources*, 2022, 126 pages

Softcover \$31.95

Amazon \$24.55

The educational system is shifting from an age-based curriculum to a system which allows students to move through the curriculum at their own pace. This book explains this standard-based system which includes a redesign of the curriculum in the form of standards and proficiency scales, determining teaching sequencing, instructional cycles and much more. The process of standard-based learning for planning and instruction is not a question of if, but of when and how quickly.

Teaching With Clarity: How to Prioritize and Do Less So Students Understand More, Tony Frontier, *ASCD*, 2021, 196 pages

Softcover \$30.95

Amazon \$23.10

Teachers often add more projects, activities, assessments, and meetings to improve learning, but this organizational clutter may distract from effective teaching and deep learning. To gain more clarity in teaching, determine what is most important to understand and the strategies needed to convey this information to students.

GROUP E – TEACHERS PERSONAL GROWTH

The Burnout Cure: Learning to Love Teaching Again, Chase Mielke, *ASCD*, 2019, 223 pages

Softcover \$29.95

Amazon \$21.00

Awareness, Attitude, Action, Outcome are the components for learning to love teaching again. Using research-based social-emotional learning and positive psychological practices, the author identifies strategies for finding your way back. Focusing on being mindful, positive, grateful, and optimistic will help you refuel and reenergize!

Dare To Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts, Brené Brown, PhD, LMSW, *Penguin Random House*, 2018, 298 pages

Hardcover \$-- Amazon \$10.39

Dare to Lead Workbook, Brené Brown, PhD, LMSW, *The Review Press*, 2022, 105 pages

Softcover \$-- Amazon \$8.99

The current society chooses to invest significant time and resources in the discovery of Artificial Intelligence (AI) rather than concentrating on developing the hearts and minds of leaders. Readers who choose the latter will learn to embrace concepts of vulnerability, courage and living into their values, while also understanding what it means to become a daring leader. A companion workbook is available which includes key takeaways, self-examinations and checklists.

Leaders Eat Last: Why Some Teams Pull Together and Others Don't, Simon Sinek, *Penguin Random House*, 2017, 350 pages

Softcover \$18.00 Amazon \$16.89

Using the United States Marine Corps as a model, Mr. Sinek explains how developing an environment where young cadets feel safe and protected, creates the most loyal and productive soldiers. When leading this generation of millennials in a business setting, these same attributes are needed to develop a sense of belonging and creating an environment of teamwork and trust.

Primal Leadership: Unleashing the Power of Emotional Intelligence, Daniel Goleman, Richard Boyatzis and Annie McKee, *Harvard Business School Publishing*, 2013, 306 pages

Softcover \$25.00 Amazon \$17.77

At all levels of any organization, there are leadership needs and opportunities. The authors define emotional intelligence as primary, and one of the most critical components of leadership. Through extensive business scenarios, gain an understanding of leadership and best uses of emotional intelligence concepts to create emotionally intelligent organizations.

Switch: How to Change Things When Change is Hard, Chip and Dan Heath, Penguin *Random House*, 2010, 305 pages

Hardcover \$29.00

Amazon \$16.43 softcover

“Why do we insist on seeing obstacles rather than the goal?” The authors answer this question and share research-driven ways on how to flip the switch that changes our behaviors and habits. They introduce us to our emotional side (elephant) and our rational side (rider). Then we find out the strengths and weaknesses of both, and how to direct and motivate. Finally, we learn the steps to shape the path that leads toward switches in behavior and focus, allowing change to occur.

GROUP F – TEACHING AND LEARNING

Mindsets and Skill Sets for Learning: A Framework for Building Student Agency, Bill Zima, Marzano Resources, 2021, 152 pages

Softcover \$31.95

Amazon \$28.76

What is student agency? Why is it important? How do you achieve it? The goal is to organize instruction in a way that gives students more control over their own thinking, allowing them to become active participants in their own learning. As they complete lessons and units, student are also given the opportunity to evaluate making decisions, reflect outcomes and determine right choices allowing them to move forward shaping their lives in positive and productive ways

Professional Learning Communities at work and High Reliability Schools: Cultures of Continuous Learning, Mario Acosta, Toby Boss, Robert Eaker, William M. Ferriter, Heather Frizziellie, Tammy Heflebower ... Philip B. Warrick, *Solution Tree Press*, 2020, 431 pages

Hardcover \$36.95

Amazon \$36.12

Some of the most renown leaders in education have come together to share recommendations and ideas on how the Professional Learning Communities (PLC) model and the High Reliability Schools (HRS) model are interrelated and actually support each other. When the HRS model is combined with effective leadership as defined in the PLC model and the best practices are successfully implemented, the result is a level of improved education for all students.

GROUP G – UNDERSTANDING STUDENTS

Make Your Choices Better Than Chance: Here's How to Get It Right, Daniel K. Kido, MD, *Center for Research on K-12 Adventist Education*, 2018, 132 pages

Softcover \$--

Amazon \$14.99

Understanding why and how you make decisions and identifying errors in your decision-making process can improve your chances for change and better decision-making outcomes. From a neuroscientist's perspective, discover the role worldview plays in the decision-making process, and how changing your worldview may be central to making the best decisions and life choices.

The School Wellness Wheel: A Framework Addressing, Trauma, Culture, and Mastery to Raise Student Achievement, Mike Ruyle, Libby Child, Nancy Dome, *Marzano Resources*, 2022, 185 pages

Softcover \$36.95

Amazon \$31.42

With trauma and stress at a high rate among students, this book provides the tools to focus on the whole student, by addressing student trauma and promoting healing while also creating a safe, supportive and academically rigorous environment. Combining strategies to become proficient in the areas of mastery-based learning, trauma responsive schooling and culturally responsive teaching and understanding their relationships will empower teachers to become more responsive to the needs of all learners.

Student-Focused Coaching: The Instructional Coach's Guide to Supporting Student Success Through Teacher Collaboration, Jan Hasbrouck and Daryl Michel, *Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co.*, 2022, 214 pages

Softcover \$39.95

Amazon \$39.95

What is student-focused coaching? What is its purpose and why is it valuable? The author answers these questions and provides a model for student-focused instructional coaching which includes successfully field-tested approaches and research-based practices. Learn how to assist students academically, behaviorally, and emotionally. Also help them improve their time management, problem-solving and communication skills.

GROUP H – ISSUES

Facing Doubt: A Book for Adventist Believers ‘On the Margins’, Reinder Bruisma, *Flankó Press*, 2016, 192 pages

Softcover \$--

Amazon \$14.90

The author fearlessly acknowledges and addresses current concerns facing the Seventh-day Adventist church. He touches on topics of general conference presidents, lack of confidence in church leaders, women’s ordination, homosexuality, the Seventh-day Adventist fundamental beliefs and much more. He opens the door to having candid conversations about taboo topics and at the end of the day, he shares hope and reasons to stay the course as he has chosen to do.

Real Deal Heal: Gen Z and Social Issues, edited by Steve Case, *Advent Source*, 2021, 100 pages

Softcover \$

Amazon \$

The Center for Youth Evangelism at Andrews University started the 180° Symposium in 2008. Administrators, academicians and practitioners with an interest in youth ministries come spend three days together presenting papers, discussing topics, participating in focus groups, brainstorming and making recommendations. The topics for 2019 centered around mental health, human sexuality and social justice, and each of the papers presented at the symposium is included in this book.

ORDERING BOOKS 2022

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