## **RESOURCES for ENGAGING ALL GENERATIONS**

#### CURRENT BOOKS

- Generations Together, Amidei, Merhaut & J. Roberto. CT: Lifelong Faith Publications, 2014.
- Holding Your Family Together. R. Melheim. CA: Regal Publishing, 2013.
- Intergenerational Christian Formation. Allen & Ross. IL: IVP Academic, 2012.
- Let's Kill Sunday School (before it kills the church.) Dr. Rich Melheim & Friends. MN: Faith Ink, 2014.

#### ❖ FACEBOOK

**Killing Sunday School / Birthing Cross+Gen Worship** Out-of-the-box thinkers, very active and helpful Group https://www.facebook.com/groups/497608460258081/ 3500 active members.

Home Grown Faith <a href="https://www.facebook.com/homegrownfaith">https://www.facebook.com/homegrownfaith</a>

# ❖ WEBSITES offering ideas and curriculum

**Augsburg Fortress & Spark House**. Adapt lively, relevant materials for blended groups and all ages http://www.wearesparkhouse.org/ & http://store.augsburgfortress.org/store/category/249849/Education

**Faith Inkubators** Offers curriculum for intergenerational gatherings <a href="http://www.faithink.com/inkubators/biblesong2.asp">http://www.faithink.com/inkubators/biblesong2.asp</a>

**Faith Five** Role of congregation to equip and bring two generations together in the home every night in every home. Songs, power-point presentations, leader guides, family handouts <a href="http://faith5.org/">http://faith5.org/</a>

Forming Faith https://www.facebook.com/pages/Forming-Faith/107652322603990

**GenOn Ministries** Formerly known as Logos with expanded focus on intergenerational ministry. Beautiful web site with practical tools. Long, solid history working with all ages. <u>GenOn Ministries http://www.genonministries.org/</u>

Intergenerational Faith Formation One could spend a lifetime on this Web Site. Everything you ever wanted to know about Cross+Gen ministry is here. Solid stuff! <a href="http://www.intergenerationalfaith.com/">http://www.intergenerationalfaith.com/</a> Also check out Faith Formation Learning Exchange - a one-stop site for all things related to generational ministry <a href="http://www.faithformationlearningexchange.net/intergenerational-research.html">http://www.faithformationlearningexchange.net/intergenerational-research.html</a>

Milestones Ministry Bringing generations together through all the markers of life http://milestonesministry.org/

Practical Church Resources Offers free and reasonably cost webinars and resources http://www.prcli.org/

**Search Institute** Resources specifically for creating intergenerational community and creating a web around our youth. <a href="http://www.search-institute.org/content/congregations">http://www.search-institute.org/content/congregations</a> They also host a parenting site and the former "Media Wise" web site that is faith-based dealing with TV and its effects. <a href="http://www.parentfurther.com/technology-media">http://www.parentfurther.com/technology-media</a>

**Spirit and Truth** Cross+Gen resources for the upcoming 2015-2016 program year, following the Narrative Lectionary: "Living the Word: Exploring God's Story Together (Cross+Gen Worship) and (Cross+Gen Education)" <a href="http://spiritandtruthpublishing.com/pr.../cross-gen-resources/">http://spiritandtruthpublishing.com/pr.../cross-gen-resources/</a>

**ROOTS for All Ages**. All Age curriculum and magazine provides resources to support preparation. http://www.rootsontheweb.com/Find\_out\_more/AAA\_info1

Vibrant Faith at Home from Vibrant Faith ministry http://www.vibrantfaithathome.org/

Welcome to WE: Faith Alive Resources for the entire intergenerational church family http://we.faithaliveresources.org/

**Worshiping With Children.** How can anyone plan worship with authentic inclusion of children without going to this web site? By Carolyn Brown http://www.worshipingwithchildren.blogspot.com/

# ❖ BLOGS

http://www.lipscomb.edu/bible/blog/faculty-voices/2014/11/4/why-bring-the-generations-back-together-in-churches + http://www.aarp.org/home-family/friends-family/info-04-2013/three-generations-household-american-family.html/ + http://refocusministry.org/blog/about/

### **❖** ACCOMPANIMENT MODEL For Cross+Generational Engagement

**ELCA Resources:** <a href="http://www.elca.org/Resources/Global-Mission">http://www.elca.org/Resources/Global-Mission</a>

**The Lutheran**. "Don't just plan a mission trip . . . " June 2012. http://www.thelutheran.org/article/article.cfm?article\_id=10749

Select Learning: Service and Learning (Video & Streaming Formats) Session 3 – A Cross+Gen Lens <a href="http://www.selectlearning.org/store/index.php?main\_page=product\_info&cPath=67&products\_id=585">http://www.selectlearning.org/store/index.php?main\_page=product\_info&cPath=67&products\_id=585</a> Six sessions, each designed for 50-60 minutes of interaction: 20-minute video, group conversation and reflection. FREE: Session 6. What Does the Research Tell Us about Service and Learning?

### \* RESEARCH & EXPLANATION of GENERATIONS

- Foundational work of Strauss & Howe, generational experts. Current blog Www.fourthturning.com
- Helpful explanations http://www.marketingteacher.com/the-six-living-generations-in-america/
- PEW Research: http://www.pewsocialtrends.org/2014/03/07/millennials-in-adulthood/
- Points of View. Dedicated to bringing five generations together http://www.pointsofviewinc.com/
- Explanation of the generations and related web sites wikipedia.org/wiki/Generation\_Y

## \* READING with a Generational Lens

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