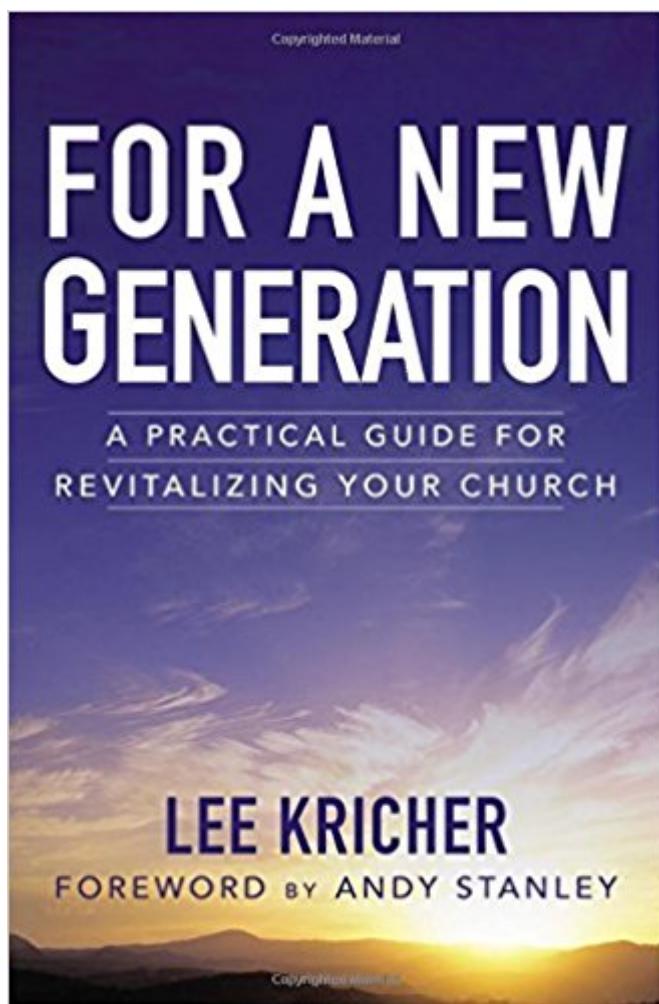


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For A New Generation: A Practical Guide For Revitalizing Your Church



Synopsis

In *For a New Generation*, Lee Kricher outlines five practical change strategies for church leaders and members who are committed to reversing or avoiding church decline. This book is not about changing your church's statement of faith. It is about evaluating and changing, as needed, your church's programs, ministries and practices to ensure the long-term health and vitality of your church. Lee Kricher is the expert I point people to with questions about transitioning a church... Andy Stanley, Senior Pastor, North Point Ministries Rich in insight, difficult to put down, courage-inspiring, practical, and brutally honest, *For a New Generation* makes church revitalization seem invitingly doable--because it can be! Warren Bird, Ph.D., Research Director, Leadership Network The story of a church where the seemingly impossible became possible in God's power. Read it with the prayer that God will do a similar work in your church! Thom S. Rainer, President and CEO of LifeWay Christian Resources ...a powerful leadership story that will resonate deeply with any pastor or church member! Santiago "Jimmy" Mellado, President and CEO of Compassion International Lee Kricher knows what he's talking about... You'll love his practical, inspiring approach. Carey Nieuwhof, author, *Leading Change Without Losing It* An inspiring story and a unique guide that will help church leaders and members apply sound organizational change strategies. Brad Lomenick, author, *H3 Leadership* and *The Catalyst Leader* This could be the most important book you purchase this year! Tom Cheyney, Founder, Renovate National Church Revitalization Conference

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Becoming a true change maker requires not just the insight that change is needed, but also a sound approach and the courage to take action. For a New Generation is an inspiring story of a church filled with courageous leaders committed to turning their church around. It's a unique guide that will help church leaders and members apply sound organizational change strategies to their own situations. -- Brad Lomenick, H3 Leadership and The Catalyst LeaderRich in insight, difficult to put down, courage-inspiring, practical, and brutally honest, For a New Generation makes church revitalization seem invitingly doable---because it can be! -- Warren Bird, Research Director, Leadership NetworkThe challenge for most church leaders is that they listen to church planters talk at conferences, and then go home to a church which they need to transition. As someone who has both planted a church and transitioned a church, I can attest to the reality that they are not the same thing. Lee Kricher knows what he's talking about when it comes to church transition. You'll love his practical, inspiring approach and come to value him as a leader who really understands the dynamics in your church. -- Carey Nieuwhof, Author, Leading Change Without Losing It; Founding Pastor, Connexus ChurchI have known Lee Kricher for almost 30 years and have always respected his leadership excellence and pastor's heart. Within the last few years, I have watched as he stepped into an older church that had been in several years of decline, and transitioned that organization not only into a rapidly growing church with multiple campuses, but also into one of the leading churches in our city in reaching the next generation. As you read this book, you are reading Lee's observations - which are both sound and proven to work. -- Jeff Leake, Lead Pastor, Allison Park Church (AG); Founder, Reach Northeast church planting networkIf the church does not gain the heart and needed skill set to transition to the next generation, the consequences will be devastating. Lee Kricher has not written a book of theory, but a practical guide to getting it done. He has not only led a church 'back from the dead', but has placed it into the hands of next generation leaders. Simply put, he has gotten it done! It is my hope that Lee's heart and book are embraced by the current leadership within the body of Christ. Jesus prayed that our 'fruit would remain'. This book is an answer to this heart cry of our Savior. -- John Nuzzo, Founding Pastor, Victory Family Church; Faculty member, Rhema Bible Training CollegeAt Parish Catalyst, we bring together pastors and key members of their pastoral teams from across the country who are eager to grow their parishes in innovative ways. The principles found in For a New Generation have inspired these leaders to consider how to better reach the next generation - a critical factor in accelerating parish vitality and growth. -- William E. Simon, Jr., Founder and Chairman, Parish CatalystWe get the same impression when reading For a New Generation as we did when Lee Kricher spent a day with over

a hundred church leaders from our conference. He has a humble approach that insists on the need for change without leaving people feeling judged or vilified. Lee does a masterful job of sharing the experiences, challenges and delights that come with helping a church grow young. Don't be surprised if *For a New Generation* becomes a reference book that you return to repeatedly! -- Alma and Brent Thompson, Superintendents, Ohio Conference of the Free Methodist Church For years, Lee Kricher was an Organizational Change Consultant and then Vice President of Leadership Development at DDI. He was a trusted advisor to our clients and an invaluable resource. It is no wonder that *For a New Generation* is such a powerful case study in applying proven change leadership principles in the local church. Lee is an excellent example of a catalyst leader - someone who knows that leadership is not lighting a fire under the team, but igniting a fire within them. -- Tacy Byham, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer, Development Dimensions International

Lee Kricher's *For a New Generation* provides a blueprint to help churches grow in ways that are meaningful, purposeful and relevant. The experience Lee gained during his years in corporate settings is applied here to a higher purpose. If your church needs to better reach the next generation, this book will map out the big picture, provide specific examples and help to create momentum. -- Susan Bixler, Author, Speaker and CEO, Bixler Consulting Group

What Lee Kricher has done with *For A New Generation* is provide a workable process for all those willing to take on the challenge of congregational revitalization. Written by someone who has lived the principles and the process personally, this is a valuable guide for pastors and parish leadership teams, regardless of their denomination. This book confirms that you can develop practical actions that can put your congregation on a road to vitality. -- Greg Petrucci, Director of Evangelization, Roman Catholic Diocese of Greensburg

I am excited to imagine how Amplify Church's inspiring example of church revitalisation can spur European church leaders to look to God to breathe new life into their struggling congregations, and dying denominations. Lee Kricher wouldn't let his church to die without a fight. This book can inspire new strategies for the battle that is just as real on this side of the Atlantic. -- Andy Peck, host, The Leadership File, Premier Christian Communications, London UK

Lee Kricher articulately and experientially lays out a road map for any church in any culture to be revitalised: to stop the decline and to breathe life back into a church. This book is not a collection of theories and ideas but sound principles that work in the real world! I hope that *For a New Generation* becomes a best read of pastors and leadership teams from the many churches in Australia and Asia that would greatly benefit from applying its strategies. -- Peter Pilt, International Director, Global Care Australia

I firmly believe that Jesus and his Church are the hope of the world. But what if a church no longer meets the needs of a younger generation and is at

risk of irrelevance in its local community? I deeply admire Lee Kricher and his courageous leadership at Amplify Church to make the difficult, contrary, but necessary changes to become the successful multi-generational church it is today -- a place that seeks to shepherd its attendees toward an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ and lasting life transformation. "For a New Generation" tells a powerful leadership story that will resonate deeply with any pastor or church member who longs to be part of life-giving community of Jesus followers! -- Santiago Jimmy Mellado, President and CEO of Compassion InternationalLee Kricher is the first person I know who transitioned a struggling and aging church into one that un-churched people love to attend. He is the expert I point people to with questions about transitioning a church. Now he is sharing the principles he learned. If you want to ensure that your church is positioned to reach the next generation, For a New Generation is a great place to start. -- Andy Stanley, Senior Pastor, North Point Ministries

This book is for people who love their church! Go to foranewgeneration.com to download a free White Paper - Change Leadership Strategies for Church Leaders and Members

This is the book that I wish that I had written. It has everything in it that I have gone through as a pastor to churches in transition. I learned about this book from Warren Bird's tweets before it had even been published. I bought it as soon as it came out and I have not been disappointed. Our church elders have been working through revitalization by our district which they call Uprising. Almost everything that we have led the church to change is found in this book. We were on target but this book gave us some ideas that we hadn't thought of yet. We bought a copy for each of our ministry board members and we are studying a chapter each month, coming together to discuss how to implement its principles. If your church is plateaued or in decline for any reason, I recommend that you purchase this book!

The author does an excellent job of focusing the reader/audience on the things that truly matter. It is hard to argue with this book without admitting that you really don't care about the next generation.

The average church is declining and not reaching youth. Are you willing to lead your church to make a difference?

The principles in this book will help you not only make the transition to a new generation church, but

will create a sustainable process that will continue that vision long past your leadership. It certainly won't be easy and you will lose people along the way, but the results will be life changing for you and the people you will reach.

Arrived quickly in great condition. An awesome book!

This book is a must read for anyone interested in trying to revitalize your church. It gives you practical step by step ideas that you can begin to implement immediately.

If you're content with status quo and enjoy your well worn path of church as usual, don't read this book. If you want to move your ministry to become applicable place for the next generation this is a must read!

We are going through a revitalization at our church. The principles found in this book were great for reaching the new generation.

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