BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP AFTER MOSES: LESSONS TO BE LEARNED
By Rabbi Charles Simon
Through a series of essays and stories and with the aid of current Biblical and archeological research the author retells the stories of little known Biblical leaders raising questions about the nature of their leadership. In his preface, Dr. Ron Wolfson states, “This wonderful collection of essays offers principles of effective leadership for volunteers in any organization. … these principles of leadership are clearly and persuasively detailed in a highly readable and accessible format.”

BUILDING SHABBAT COMMUNITY – THROUGH MEANINGFUL ALTERNATIVE PRAYER SERVICE EXPERIENCES: AN IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE
This guide wisely meets people where they are. It does not assume knowledge of or comfort with the synagogue service, and yet has much to offer even veteran shul-goers. You will find helpful hints to synagogue choreography, suggestions that may enhance your experience of tefilah, and precious reassurance that your personal questions about prayer are widely-shared.

Dr. Arnold Eisen, Chancellor, Jewish Theological Seminary, NY, NY
The FJMC’s Learners’ Minyan curriculum has met with great success at Temple Emanu-El. … All appreciated the step-by-step approach examining the various segments of the service.

Rabbi Hal Rudin-Luria, B’nai Jeshurun Congregation, Pepper Pike, OH
(The) interpretive service has created connections among our members that would otherwise never have occurred, including long-time members who had not come on Shabbat.

Rabbi Jeff Pivo, Congregation Beth Judea, Long Grove IL
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FEBRUARY 7, 2016
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www.worldwidewrap.org
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Building a Successful Volunteer Culture – Finding Meaning in Service in the Jewish Community

by Rabbi Charles Simon

Highly acclaimed guide on how you develop and maintain the volunteers who are essential to the vitality of your synagogue, men’s club, similar organization and community.

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Work and Worth
Groundbreaking essays and programs related to the significance of work in men’s lives. Includes structured program ideas to explore work-related topics in your community. Covers everything from identity issues, to workplace ethics, illness, and the loss of a job. Contributors range from doctors and lawyers, to rabbis and cabinetmakers.

Body and Spirit
Body and Spirit discusses health issues that concern men and provides tips on how to live healthier and happier lives.

Our Fathers / Ourselves
Our Fathers/Ourselves explores men’s roles in the Jewish family. Programs to help men better understand and strengthen their relationships with their fathers and sons are included.

Listening to God’s Voice
Listening to God’s Voice focuses on men’s spiritual lives and examines the different ways they connect with God. The essays and program activities range from close text study, to personal reflections.

The Diminishing Role of Jewish Men in Jewish Life: Addressing the Challenge
There is a gender imbalance that is occurring in the general and specifically in the Jewish volunteer world.

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RESOURCES FOR CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

UNDERSTANDING

Understanding the Haftarot – Everyperson’s Guide
Rabbi Charles Simon

Why do we read Haftarah? This stimulating and unusual book provides the reader with the context to understand how the the haftarot were organized, why they might have been selected and suggests reasons for finding meaning and value.

New! Selected Essays from the Book “Understanding the Haftarot”

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Biblical Leadership After Moses: Lessons to be Learned
Rabbi Charles Simon


Understanding Havdalah A Guide to the Week’s Beginning –
Rabbi Charles Simon

Easy-to-follow instructions for the ceremony that concludes Shabbat and begins the new week. Full Hebrew text, translations, transliterations, explanations, history, and commentary. Includes a CD of Havdalah and Ma’ariv music.

Understanding Ma’ariv
A Guide to Leading the Evening Service
Rabbi Charles Simon

Includes full Hebrew text with musical notation side by side with English translation and transliteration. In-depth history and commentary on the service, with easy-to-follow instructions and a CD.
If family members and community leaders wish to become engaged in the process of Keruv they often need to ask, “Does Keruv have an ideology and theology? And if so what is it?” Then they need to learn how to respond to intermarriage from the perspective of both gender and religion. This publication reflects the most current thinking about intermarriage to date and provides family members and community leaders with the understanding to effectively work with intermarrieds or potential intermarrieds.

New! Engaging the Non-Jewish Spouse: Strategies for Clergy and Lay Leadership

This common-sense publication can be used by any synagogue seeking to adjust to demographic change as a blueprint for discussion and planning. It provides a step-by-step guide to inclusion taking into consideration the unique culture of each community. It suggests questions that should be discussed by a synagogue’s leadership and serves as tool to further engage and guide a Boards of Directors.

Books are also available at a 10% discount when ordering six (6) or more copies at a time.

New! My Child is About to … A Facilitator’s Guide

As congregations learn to be more welcoming the conversation shifts to parents who are seeking guidance because of the choices their children are making. The Guide provides questions and answers for facilitators to help parents with adult children who have or are about to marry someone from another religious tradition, understand how to establish relationships that embrace living Jewishly.

KERUV PAMPHLETS – Rabbi Charles Simon

Children from Intermarried Families:
Religious Schools Confronting the Challenge

Congregations & Intermarrieds – Implicit or Complicit

Price (Set of 7): $10.00 Or download from www.fjmc.org
New!

Creating a Minyan of Comfort
Hazann Steven Stoehr

A joint project of the FJMC and the Cantors Assembly, this guide was designed to provide volunteers with the needed, halachic, ritual and social skills to lead a Shiva Minyan in a meaningful comforting manner. Graduates of the course are entitled to receive a certificate of completion from the FJMC & the Cantors Assembly. (See the FJMC website for details.)

The guide addresses the different comfort levels of mourners, desired logistics to create the appropriate mood as well as customs that take place at the conclusion of Shiva.

Bulk Sales: A discount is available for the purchase of ten (10) or more copies.

For sale in the FJMC website store at: www.fjmc.org

New!

A Guide to Introducing a Meditative Experience in Congregations.
Joint projects of the FJMC and the Cantors Assembly.
Contributors: Hazann Joanna S. Dulkin; Mia Haber; Rabbi Aubrey L. Glazer; Rabbi K’vod Wieder

What do I need to know to create a meditation Minyan? Is there a difference between a meditation Minyan and a Yoga Minyan? How do we select an instructor? Are meditation minyanim authentically Jewish? These are some of the questions that the guide poses in a question and answer format, supplemented by a series of meaningful informative essays. A great resource and tool to provide people who ordinarily wouldn’t attend Shabbat morning services with a Shabbat experience.

Available for free download as a PDF on the FJMC website at: www.fjmc.org

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