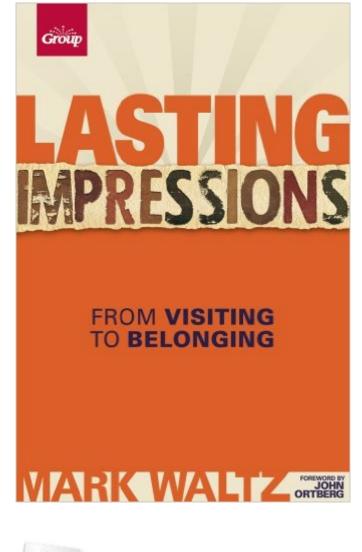
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Lasting Impressions (Revised): From Visiting To Belonging





Synopsis

Newly updated!Discover how to create a church culture that encourages connections--and draws people deeper into the life at your church and deeper into a relationship with Jesus. Author Mark Waltz provides proven steps for turning church guests into belivers and believers into committed Christ-followers. Identify ways to help people grow. Develop experiences that help people belong, not just attend. Take a step deeper into the ministry and mission of your churchThis book provides strategies that are flexible and adaptable for any church. Includes updated information.

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Customer Reviews

"Lasting Impressions" is really an excellent and very challenging book about the process of helping people connect and belong. Mark is the Pastor of Connections at Granger Community Church, and earlier wrote a book called "First Impressions: Creating Wow Experiences In Your Church". While the focus of First Impressions is clear (greeters, ushers, welcome desk, encouraging brand new guests to return) I wasn't as sure what to expect from "Lasting Impressions". It turned out to be a whole lot more than a simple follow-up. What I did find was a book that looked at those who did come back and asked the question "Now what?!" It's really about creating a culture of belonging, talking about the need for organic relationships, a good understanding of what you can (and can't) do to help people grow. As a bonus, the book has review questions and exercises to discuss and apply what you learn with your team. Chapters include: People Still Matter; Assimilation: Watch your Language; You Can't Create People; Starbucks, Stories and Space; Be an Environmental Architect;

How Full is Your Menu?; What do We Expect?; Develop Relational Road Maps; Construct Volunteer Venues; On-Ramps, Exit Ramps and Mile Markers.What really impressed me about the book was that it turned upside my thinking on a number of interrelated issues - small groups, how to recruit volunteers, how to encourage membership - and described just how much their thinking has changed in the past decade as the times change.

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