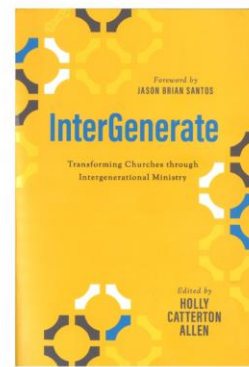


# InterGenerate

## Transforming Churches through Intergenerational Ministry



Building on the foundation laid by [Intergenerational Christian Formation](#), *InterGenerate: Transforming Churches through Intergenerational Ministry* is an invaluable resource that will assist your church in the development of a more intergenerational culture. This handout is part of a series that seeks to encourage you to dig deeper into [InterGenerate](#).

### Ch. 13 Millennials and Screeners

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“The principles of intergenerational influence, mentoring, and leadership were abundantly at play in the Jethro-Moses, Naomi-Ruth, and Barnabas-John Mark relationships. In light of these examples of intergenerational influence, and knowing that the next twenty years of youth ministry will be about the screener generation with millennials as their primary leaders, it seems crucial for churches and youth ministry organizations to implement an intergenerational strategy for mentoring and leadership development.” p.173

“A generational cohort is defined as “everyone who is ‘brought into being’ at the same historical moment” and therefore share similar generational characteristics with the other members of their cohort. They all come from the same “special history” and share a unique “peer personality” that shapes the way their generation characteristically behaves throughout their lifetime.” p.174

“Over and over, the Scriptures demonstrate influence through an intergenerational approach to building leadership and faith into the lives of others. This relationally based transference of values and lifestyle typically followed an older/younger model, a model that seems underutilized in many local churches of today.” p.181

“It is incumbent on all three older generations to apply themselves to the biblical task of intergenerational leadership/discipleship, specifically with millennials and screeners. Transference of values and biblical lifestyles rarely just happen. The multitude of examples from Scripture demonstrates the distinctive relational nature of such faith development in the context of faith communities.” p.182

“As educators and church practitioners, generational theory informs us. Along with pedagogical and developmental understandings, we can add insights from generational theory to our ministry toolkits as a means of frontline engagement with each generational cohort in order to increase our mentoring and leadership effectiveness. It will take every generation in the church—so let’s all be in this together!” p.182

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