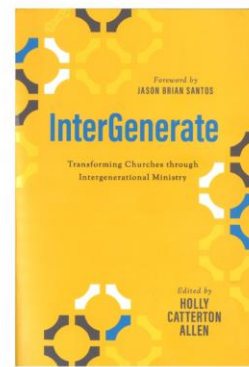


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Transforming Churches through Intergenerational Ministry



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. 18 Walking Beside Each Other

Linda Staats

“Accompaniment is the practice of “walking beside the other,” as Christ walks beside us, for the purpose of restoration and reconciliation within our communities (local) and the world (global) (2 Cor. 5:11–21). It is a lens and foundation for ministry and mission.” pp.221,222

“Ministry viewed through the lens of accompaniment encourages us to crisscross and connect the borders of age and stage that separate us—right here and right now, within our churches. In doing so, our congregations and households become infused with a new perspective, a deepened sense of urgency and connection with one another, locally and globally.” p.222

“When we practice accompaniment across the borders and boundaries of age that exist in our own congregation, then we are better equipped to go beyond the walls of our church to walk alongside others, as Christ walks beside us.” p.222

“The journey of accompanying one another across generations begins when we recognize and commit to five intertwined values in our relationships:

- Vulnerability
- Mutuality
- Inclusivity
- Sustainability
- Empowerment” p.222, 223

“As we accompany one another across the borders of generations, our actions will bear more fruit when they are based around the following approaches.

- Resource Sharing
- Expertise Recognition
- Storytelling
- Network Building
- Thoughtful Decision-Making” pp.226-228

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