Journey Reading List: First-Term Top Book Recommendations

Spiritual Formation

Mulholland, Robert. Invitation to a Journey. IVP Formatio, 2016. (\$12.49 on Amazon, kindle \$9.60)

Life and Work

Elmer, Duane. Cross-Cultural Servanthood: Serving the World in Christlike Humility. IVP, 2006.

First-year on the field:

Befus, Connie. Sojourner's Workbook: A Guide to Thriving Cross-Culturally. Bottomline Media, 2018. (\$17.99 on Amazon, kindle \$7.99)

Theology of Mission

- Hodges, Melvin L. *The Indigenous Church Including the Indigenous Church and the Missionary.* rev. ed. Gospel Publishing House, 2009. (\$11.99 on Amazon, kindle \$9.99)
- Wright, Christopher J.H. *The Mission of God's People: A Biblical Theology of the Church's Mission*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2010. (\$18.86 on Amazon, kindle \$17.49)

Bible in Ministry

- Bruno, Chris, et al. *Biblical Theology According to the Apostles*. Inter-Varsity Press, 2020. (\$20.99 on Amazon, kindle \$19.94)
- Shamy, Andrew, and Roshan Allpress. *The Insect and the Buffalo*. Compass Foundation, 2009. (\$18.98 on Amazon, kindle \$9.99)

Understanding Language & Culture

- Elmer, Duane. Cross-Cultural Connections: Stepping out and Fitting in around the World. Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2002. (\$14.86 on Amazon, kindle \$14.12)
- Lingenfelter, Sherwood G, and Marvin K Mayers. *Ministering Cross-Culturally: A Model for Effective Personal Relationships*. 3rd ed. Baker Academics, 2016. (\$10.99 on Amazon, kindle \$10.44)

Ministry in Context

- Keller, Tim. Loving the City, Doing Balanced Gospel-Centered Ministry in Your City, Part 1. Zondervan, 2016. (\$16.79 on Amazon, kindle \$11.99)
- Vaugh, Brad. One Gospel for All Nations. William Carey Publishing, 2015. (\$17.76 on Amazon, kindle \$10.49)

Compassion

Corbett, Steve and Brian Fikkert. *Helping without Hurting: How to Alleviate Poverty without Hurting the Poor...and Yourself.* Moody Publisher, 2014. (\$9.39 on Amazon, kindle \$8.92)

Journey Reading List: Recommended for Further Reading in First Term and beyond

Spiritual Formation

- Comer, John Mark. *Practicing the Way: Be with Jesus. Become like him. Do as he did.* Waterbrook, 2024. (\$13.99 on Amazon, kindle \$12.99)
- Ortberg, John. Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You. Zondervan, 2014. (\$13.49 on Amazon, kindle \$9.99)
- Villodas, Rich. *Good and Beautiful and Kind: Becoming Whole in a Fractured World.* Waterbrook, 2022. (\$9.59 on Amazon, kindle \$4.99)

Life & Work

- Butz, Gina Brenna. Making Peace with Change: Navigating Life's Messy Transitions with Honesty and Grace. Our Daily Bread, 2020. (\$9.79 on Amazon, kindle \$9.79
- Lencioni, Patrick. The 6 Types of Working Genius: A Better Way to Understand Your Gifts, Your Frustrations, and Your Team. Matt Holt, 2022. (\$15.87 on Amazon, kindle \$14.99)
- Wells, Lauren. *Unstacking Your Grief Tower: A Guide to Processing Grief as an Adult Third Culture Kid.* Independently Published, 2021. (\$15.99 on Amazon, kindle \$8.99)
- Young, Amy. Getting Started: Making the Most of Your First Year in Cross-Cultural Service. Independently Published, 2019. (\$12.99 on Amazon, kindle \$7.99)

Theology of Mission

- Bauckham, Richard. *Bible and Mission: Christian Witness in a Postmodern World*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003. (\$18.75 on Amazon, not yet available on kindle)
- Glasser, Arthur F.; Van Engen, Charles E.; Gilliland, Dean S.; and Redford, Shawn B. *Announcing the Kingdom: The Story of God's Mission in the Bible*. Baker Academic, 2003. (\$34.50 on Amazon, \$22.99 on kindle)
- Joannes, David. The Mind of a Missionary: What Global Kingdom Workers Tell Us About Thriving on Mission Today. Within Reach Global Inc., 2018. (\$19.95 on Amazon, \$9.99 on kindle)
- York, John. *Missions in the Age of the Spirit*. Gospel Publishing House, 2000. (\$16.99 on Amazon, kindle \$8.49)

Bible in Ministry

McKnight, Scot. *The Blue Parakeet: Rethinking How You Read the Bible*. Zondervan, 2010. (\$13.96 on Amazon, kindle \$12.49)

Richards, E Randolph and Brandon J O'Brien. *Misreading Scripture with Western Eyes: Removing Cultural blinders to Better understand the Bible.* IVP, 2012. (\$13.98 Amazon, kindle \$13.28)

Understanding Language and Culture

- Georges, Jayson. *The 3D Gospel: Ministering in Guilt, Shame and Fear Cultures*. Time Press, 2017. (\$8.43 on Amazon, kindle \$3.99)
- Livermore, David A. *Cultural Intelligence: Improving your CQ to Engage Our Multicultural World*. Baker Academic, 2009. (\$15.76 on Amazon, kindle \$14.97)
- Meyer, Erin. *The Culture Map: Breaking through the Invisible Boundaries of Global Business*. Public Affairs, 2014. (\$16.89 on Amazon, kindle \$16.99)
- Whiteman, Darrell L., Crossing Cultures with the Gospel: Anthropological Wisdom for Effective Christian Witness. Baker Academic, 2024. (\$63.67 on Amazon, kindle \$19.99)

Ministry in Context

Flemming, Dean. Contextualization in the New Testament: Patterns for Theology and Mission. InterVarsity Press, 2005. (\$21.43 on Amazon, kindle \$19.34)

Compassion

- Myers, Bryant. Walking with the Poor: Principles and Practices of Transformational Development. Orbis, 2011. (\$16.16 on Amazon, kindle \$10.99)
- Lupton, Robert D. *Toxic Charity: How the Church Hurts Those They Help and How to Reverse It.* HarperOne, 2011. (\$9.71 on Amazon, kindle \$12.49)
- Ireland, Jerry. For the Love of God: Principles and Practices of Compassion in Ministry. Wipf & Stock, 2017. (\$29.44 on Amazon, kindle \$9.99)