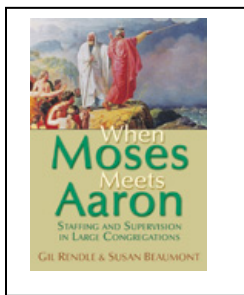


Welcome to this edition of the Resource Center Newsletter! We have developed this e-newsletter to keep you up to date on new resources we are adding to the Resource Center. We are highlighting several new books from Alban Institute. The Resource Center has a membership and gets all the latest Alban publications as they come off the press. Many pastors, educators, and church leaders have found these books helpful.

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When Moses Meets Aaron: Staffing and Supervision in Large Congregations. Gil Rendle and Susan Beaumont

The authors have taken the best of corporate human resource tools and immersed them in a congregational context, providing a comprehensive manual for supervising, motivating, and coordinating staff teams. It gives both detailed and big picture guidance on hiring, job descriptions, supervision, performance evaluation, staff team design, difficult staff behavior, and more.



Healthy Disclosure: Solving Communication Quandaries in Congregations. Kibbie Ruth and Karen McClintock

Congregational consultants Kibbie Ruth and Karen McClintock show clergy and laity how to appropriately handle information. From proper ways to respond to rumors to relating information about a staff firing to the congregation, **Healthy Disclosure** is filled with step-by-step ideas for handling different types of sensitive material. It helps clergy and other congregational leaders understand levels of **disclosure**, including how and when to reveal information, the difference between privacy and secrecy, legal issues related to public knowledge, and the power of secrets from a congregation's past.



Know and Be Known: Small Groups That Nourish and Connect. Brooke B. Collison

People yearn for a sense of belonging. Congregations become places of belonging when people find ways to make connections, form relationships, and share their personal stories. This book looks at the element missing in most group dynamics today: intentionality about relationships. The author knows the power of small groups to create meaningful bonds of friendship and support.