



Out of My Mind...

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For Your Consideration...

In an effort to bring the best leadership training to the widest cross-section of people, some improvements are being made in the delivery of Converge Worldwide's National School of Leadership. Now, rather than just offering the material and training to cohorts of leaders from three or more churches, the material is being formulated into a church-based kit than can be used by individual churches to assist them in leadership development. Local pastors and other key leaders will be able to present the material, assisted, when needed, by district personnel. This approach makes NSL more accessible to interested churches, with a minimum of logistical entanglement. NSL is a great resource for developing character ("who a leader is") and competence ("what a leader does") in the context of the local church. This new format will be ready for distribution in the spring of 2009 after the necessary re-writing and formulation is completed.

ON OUR PRAYER WATCH: Alan Gross— Awaiting a liver transplant
Abigail Holloway - relief from constant headaches

ON THE MOVE: Pastor Charles Hill has left New Hope, Loudonville to pursue church planting with Converge Rocky Mountain in Salt Lake City later this summer. We will miss Charles' passion, expertise and connectedness with the district. We pray God's blessing on him, Tiffany and the children in this transitional time.

In My Briefcase...

Extreme Church Makeover
by Neil



Anderson & Charles Mylander

Knocking Over the Leadership Ladder
by Paul Ford

From The field... *Church Consultant Nelson Searcy offers this advice to pastors for the current financial crisis:*

Help people reframe what they hear:

- God is still in charge
- God will give you peace if you call on Him
- God will give you all that you need if you put Him first
- God will use you more in a time of crisis than a time of calm

Offer tools and faith to our congregations:

- Fear is the opposite of faith
- Fear is faith in the enemy

Promote generosity

Encourage evangelism:

People come to faith in times of crisis and transition

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Selah: "The test of a preacher is that his congregation goes away saying not, 'What a lovely sermon!' but, 'I will do something!'"
Billy Graham