

WHY GENERATION ALPHA WILL CHANGE THE FUTURE OF YOUTH MINISTRY



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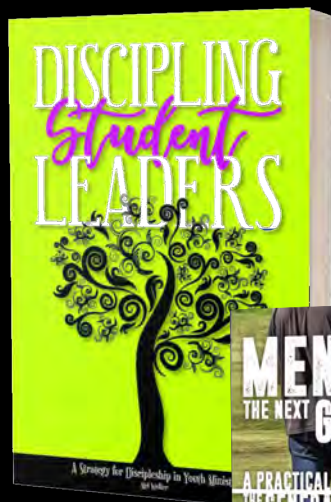


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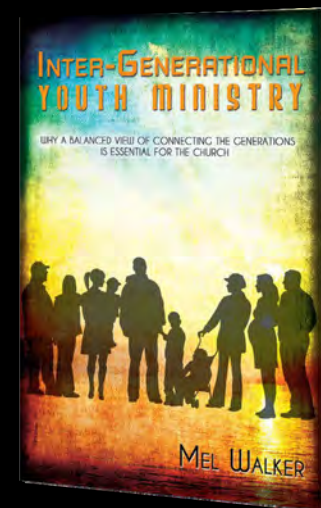
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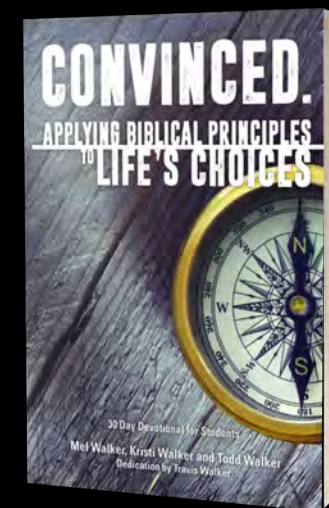
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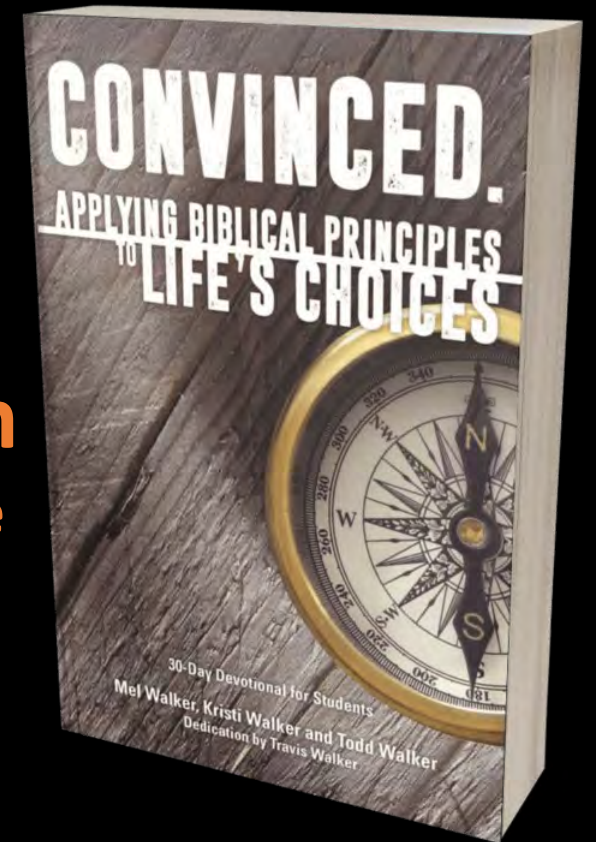
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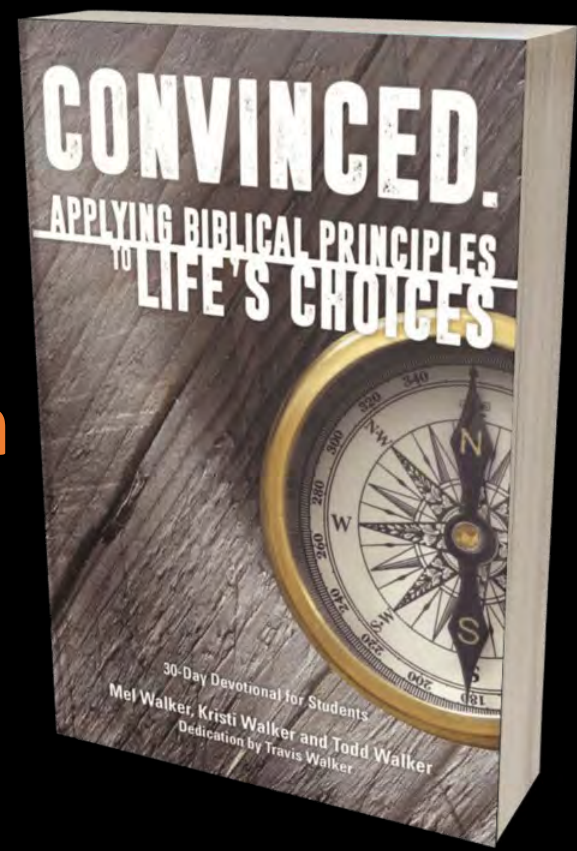
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Issue:	
Romans 13:1 & 1 Peter 2:13-14	Is it legal?
Romans 14:10b-12	Will I regret it later?
1 Corinthians 3:21	Will God be honored?
1 Corinthians 6:12a	Is it beneficial?
1 Corinthians 6:12b	Will I be controlled by it?
1 Corinthians 10:23	Does this help spiritually?
1 Corinthians 10:31	Does it glorify God?
1 Corinthians 10:33	Is this an issue with others?
1 Corinthians 14:26	Does it encourage others?
1 Corinthians 14:33, 40	Would it cause confusion?
1 Corinthians 16:14	Is it a loving thing to do?
2 Corinthians 6:3, 4	Would it hurt my potential ministry?
Philippians 2:14	Can I be positive about this?
Colossians 1:18	Could it become an idol?
Colossians 3:8	Will this help me represent God?
Colossians 3:17	Can I do this for the Lord?
Colossians 3:20	Would my parents say it's right?
1 Thessalonians 5:16	Can I rejoice about this?
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	Have I prayed about it?
1 Thessalonians 5:18	Can I thank God for it?
1 Thessalonians 5:21	Is it of lasting value?
1 Thessalonians 5:22	Does the Bible say it is wrong?
1 Timothy 6:17	Would it help me trust God?
Titus 2:7	Would it be a good example to others?
	Would it make Christianity attractive to others?
	Could this disqualify me?
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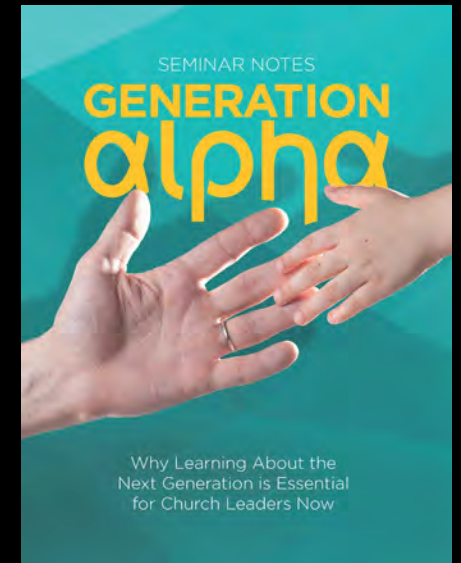
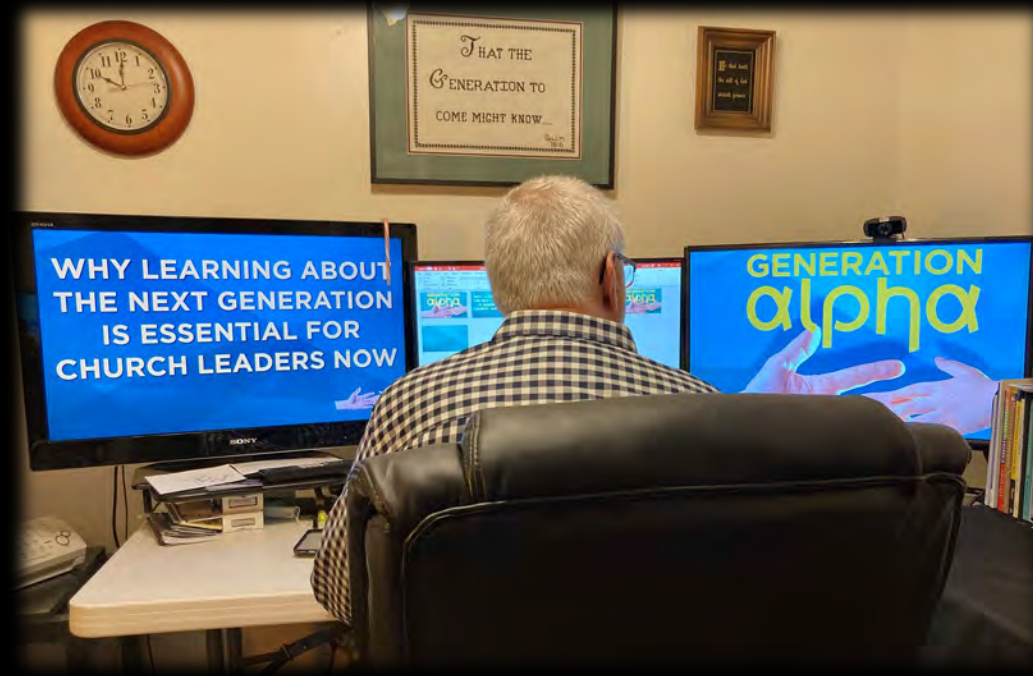
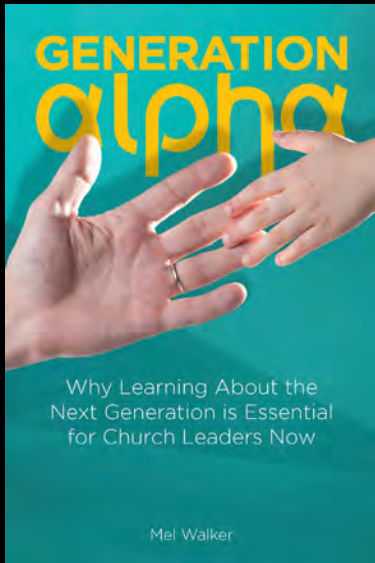
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5 Reasons Why Generation Alpha Will Change the Future of Youth Ministry

in Family Ministry/Generation Alpha/youth ministry — by Mel Walker

New Generations Change Things

Most of today's youth workers are probably Millennials^[1] – the generation we were told would change everything. With the recent surge of immigration, this age group became America's largest generation^[2] – and has certainly emerged as the most influential population segment in this country's history.

In generational sequence, the Millennials were followed by Generation Z – which includes today's teenagers and college age students. Gen. Z'ers have become the most progressive, and financially-minded generation in recent US history^[3]. Older youth workers and other church leaders were told by some experts to "quit doing youth ministry" because this new generation would look, act, think, and behave differently than their adolescent predecessors.

It is almost time for us to re-examine our youth ministry horizons. It is almost time for us to learn from the Australian marketer, Mark Schultz, who used the Greek letter in Greek

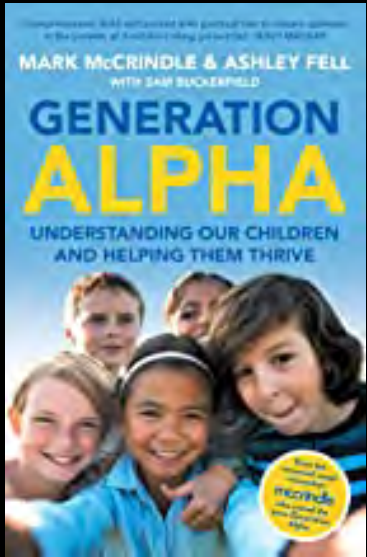
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Mel Walker has literally invested his life in the next generation. Mel is a frequent speaker (both nationally and internationally) at youth, church leadership, family life, and parenting conferences. He speaks to thousands of students, church leaders, and youth workers each year and has organized and led several regional, statewide, and national youth and youth ministry conferences and events.

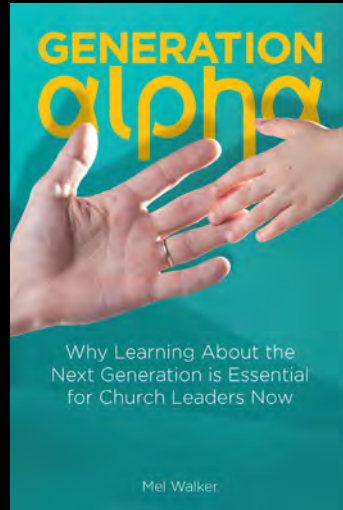
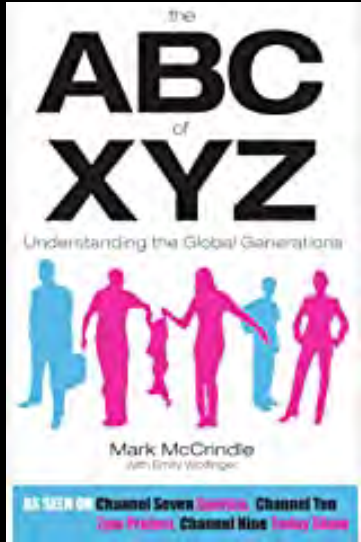
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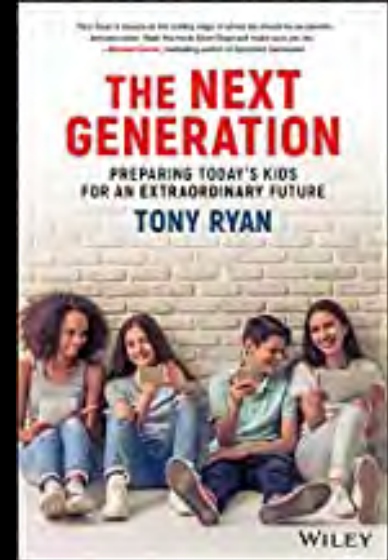
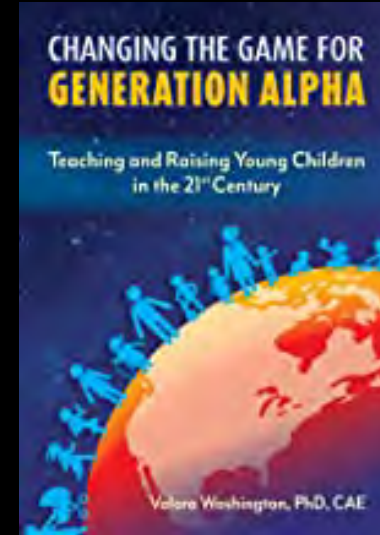
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EVERY GENERATION CHANGES THE FUTURE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

BOOMERS



GEN X'ERS



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GEN Z



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GENERATIONS ALIVE TODAY

						
"GREATEST"	SILENT	BOOMERS	GEN X'ERS	MILLENNIALS	GEN Z	ALPHA
Pearl Harbor Avg. = 85	Communism Avg. = 70's	The 1960's Avg. = 60's	Scandals Avg. = 45-ish	9/11 Avg. = 25-35	Politics / Fear Avg. = Teens	COVID-19 ? Avg. = 11 -

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Top 10: “Things to Understand About Generation Z”

POSTED ON APRIL 20, 2020 BY DAN ISTVANIK

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ABOUT

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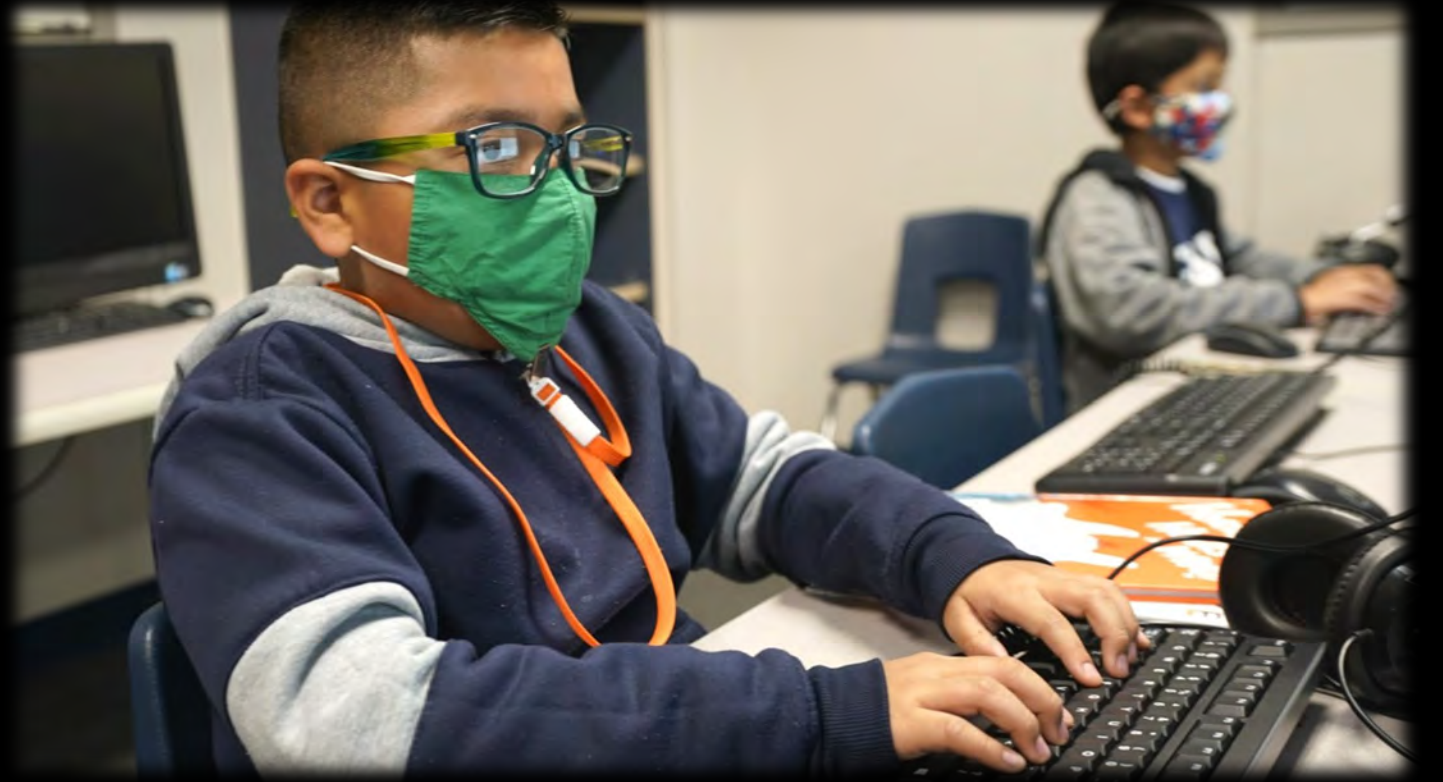
“There is a shift that needs to happen, almost immediately. We need to stop talking about, obsessing about and shaping our youth ministries around millennials.”

-Dan Istvanik

5 REASONS YOUTH MINISTRY WILL CHANGE



Generation Alpha will be the age group most impacted by COVID.



Most members of Generation Alpha will be from non-traditional, hurting, or dysfunctional households.

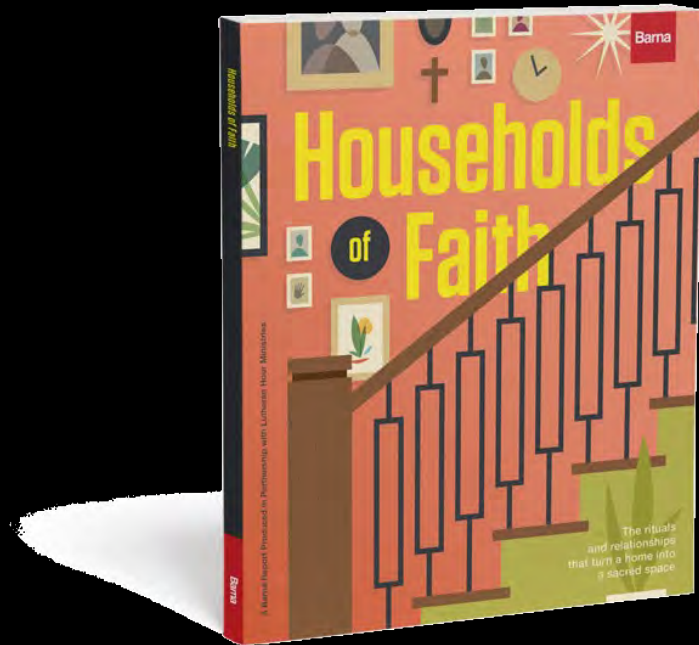


The Millennial parents of the Alpha kids face uncertainties tied to their own generational circumstances, often having greater debt, struggling with income insecurity, and finding housing less affordable than the grandparents of Alpha kids. Millennials have delayed marriage and home buying, often while living at home with their parents for longer than any generation before them.

Clearly, today's young adults seem less financially independent or prosperous when compared to their parents at that stage of life. Unlike their elders, Millennials are typically earning lower incomes and facing multiple financial constraints, such as massive student debt as well as the impact of national economic factors such as the Great Recession of 2008 and the coronavirus pandemic.

Valora Washington

Changing the Game for Generation Alpha: Teaching and Raising Young Children in the 21st Century



“Churches that want to understand and serve teens and young adults should focus first on true household ministry, and not just family ministry.”



Members of Generation Alpha are likely to be “tech creators” more than “tech consumers”.



Church is much less of a priority to Generation Alpha than it was for previous generations.

Most members of Generation Alpha are growing up with a “post-Christian” – and “post-church” mindset.



SO WHAT?



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1. Their world will be different, so learn all you can about Generation Alpha now.

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2. The future of “family ministry” must change too.

3. Figure out how to involve their generation.

4. You will not be able to connect with Alpha’s by hosting 1-per-week programs.

5. We must be “missionaries” (Matthew 28:19-20 & Acts 1:8).

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