

Introduction

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The Spring issue of the *Journal of the American Society for Church Growth* continues with articles presented at the American Society for Church Growth meeting held in November 2000.

First up is "How to Growth a Church in the Twenty-first Century." This article presents a summary of church growth principles for a new generation of church leaders. The writer's basic premise is that church growth principles, rightly understood, still offer the best help in how to grow a church.

"Emerging Trends for Effective Ministry in the Twenty-first Century," is written by one of the leading futurists of the Church Growth Movement: Bill Easum. In a direct style, Dr. Easum challenges the reader to consider the "wormhole" effect on church growth.

Dr. Dan Reeves asks us to consider "Repositioning Paul's Missionary Band in a Postmodern World." His article adds to our continuing quest to understand how to minister effectively in a postmodern culture.

"Theological Research Toward Church Growth: A Denominational Model" is an investigation into Southern Baptist evangelism. Matt Queen's research provides a good dose of theological reflection on church growth.

Four book reviews are included on topics related to cross-cultural worship, home cell groups, and worldwide missions.

Enjoy this issue! It's a good one.

—Editor