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## Introduction

Gary L. McIntosh, Editor

This issue of the *Journal of the American Society for Church Growth* marks the beginning of our thirteenth year. Over the last decade plus, the fast pace of our world has continued to escalate and today we live in a world of speed, blur, and hustle. As someone recently remarked, "Speed is King."

However, no matter how fast-or slow-paced our world becomes, the need to continue cooperating with God to bring about "biblical" church growth has never been greater.

The *Journal of the American Society for Church Growth* is one tool that will help you make sense of our times, as well as providing insights on how to work in agreement with God to seek and save His lost children.

"Ten Foundational Books of Church Growth that Influenced the Movement," by Elmer Towns is a solid work reflecting on the history of the Church Growth Movement. "Will Church Planting Help a Denomination to Stay in Prime?" by Edgar Machel uses the lifecycle model developed by Ichak Adizes to analyze the growth of a denomination. "Cultural Distinctives of Anglo Churches," by Will McRaney offers a twist on understanding our changing culture. Finally, "The Bridger Generation," by Gary L. McIntosh presents new research on today's youngest generation.

The 2002 Consultant Directory is the second edition of a tool to aid you in your ministry to local churches.

—Editor

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