

Funeral and Bereavement – Suggested books

Care for the aged and dying

Roland Riem (1993) *Stronger than death: a study of love for the dying*, London: Dartington, Longman & Todd

Atul Gawande (2015) *Being mortal*, London: Profile (not specifically Christian, but an amazing critique of how we fail and need to deal with medically prolonging life at all costs)

Dealing with Fear

Joann C. Arnold (2002) *Do not be afraid: overcoming the fear of death*

Dying

Albery, Nicholas, Elliot, Gil and Elliot Joseph (eds.) (1993), *The New Natural Death Handbook*, (Natural Death Centre), Rider.

Cassidy, Sheila (1995), *The Loneliest Journey*, London: D.L.T. (0-232-52120-4)

Hall, Beverly (1988), *Caring for the Dying: a Guide for Caregivers in Home and Hospital*, Toronto, Canada, Anglican Book Centre. ((0-919891-87-X)

How to have a Good Death: Preparing and Planning, with Informed Choices and Practical Advice. Foreword by Esther Ranzan (2006), London: Dorling Kindersley. (978-1-4053-1629-3, or 1-4053-1629-2)

Hutchison, Joyce & Rupp, Joyce: *May I Walk you Home?* (1999), Notre Dame, Indiana: Ave Maria Press. (0-87793-670-6, or 978-0-87793-670-1)

Kubler-Ross, Elisabeth (1981), *Living with Death and Dying*, London: Souvenir Press. (0-2285-64957-4, or 0-285-64958-2)

Mud and Stars: Report of a Working Party on the Impact of Hospice Experience on the Church's Ministry of Healing (1991), Oxford: Sobell Publications. (0-9517537-2-X)

Murray, Derek (2002), *Faith in Hospices*, London: SPCK. (0-281-05228-X)

Woodward, James (2005), *Befriending Death*: London: SPCK. (0-281-05370-7)

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross and David Kessler (2005) *On grief and grieving: finding the meaning of grief through five stages of loss*, London: Simon & Schuster

Kenneth J. Doka & Amy S. Tucci (eds.) (2011), *Beyond Kubler-Ross: New Perspectives of Death, Dying and Grief*, Hospice Foundation of America (a critique of the Kubler-Ross model)

Bereavement and Grief

Collick, Elizabeth (1986), *Through Grief: the Bereavement Journey*, London: DLT. (0-232-51682-0)

D'Arcy, Paula (2005), *When People Grieve*, New York: Crossroad. (0-8245-2339-3)

De Hennezel, Marie (1998), *Intimate Death: How the Dying Teach us to Live*, Warner Books. (0-7515-2332-1)

Duffy, Wendy (1995), *Children and Bereavement*, London: National Society/ Church House Publishing (0-7151-4846-x)

Heike, Elizabeth (1985), *A Question of Grief*, London: Hodder and Stoughton. (0-340-37282-6)

Kaiser, Walter C. (2004), *Grief and Pain in the Plan of God*, Tain, Ross-shire: Christian Focus. (1-85792-993-4)

Martinez, Pablo and Hull, Ali (2004), *Tracing the Rainbow*, Milton Keynes, Spring Harvest, (1-85078-487-6)

Nouwen, Henri (2001), *Turn my Mourning into Dancing: Finding Hope in Hard Times*, Nashville: W Publishing. (0-8499-1711-5, or 0-8499-4509-7)

- Rose, Xenia (1992), *Widow's Journey: a Return to Living*, London: Souvenir Press. (0-285-65097-1, or 0-285 65098-X)
- Storkey, Elaine (1989), *Losing a Child*, Oxford: Lion. (0-7324-0153-4)
- Wallbank, Susan (1992), *The Empty Bed*, London: DLT. (0-232-51853-X)
- Wallbank, Susan (1991), *Facing Grief: Bereavement and the Young Adult*, Cambridge: Lutterworth Press. (0-7188-2807-0)
- Wiebe, Katie (1987), *Alone: Through Widowhood and Beyond – a Search for Joy*, London: Hodder and Stoughton. (0-340-50368-8)

Personal Journeys

- Albom, Mitch (2006), *For One More Day*, London: Sphere. (978-0-316-73093-8, or 0-316-73093-9)
- Albom, Mitch (2003), *Tuesdays with Morrie*, London: Sphere. (978-0-7515-2981-4)
- Bray, Wendy (2002), *In the Palm of God's Hand*, Oxford: Bible Reading Fellowship. (1-84101-336-6)
- Du Boulay, Shirley (1984), *Cicely Saunders: the Founder of the Modern Hospice Movement*, London: Hodder and Stoughton. (0-340-35103-9, or 0-340-28208-8)
- Griffiths, Steve (2003), *God of the Valley: a Journey through Grief*, Oxford: Bible Reading Fellowship. (1-84101-338-2)
- Pardoe, Jenifer (1991), *How Many Times can you Say Goodbye?* London: SPCK. (0-281-04484-8)
- Walker, Saxon (1987), *Sheila: a Healing through Dying*, London: Arthur James. (0-85305-290-5)

Christian Approaches towards death

- Tom Wright (2007) *Surprised by hope*, London: SPCK
- Nouwen, Henri (2001) *Turn my mourning into dancing: finding hope in hard times*, Nashville: W Publishing

Resources

- Bell, John L. and Maule, G. (1997), *When Grief is Raw*, Wild Goose Publications.
- Bell, John L., (1996), *The Last Journey*, Wild Goose Resource Group.
- Brind, Jan & Wilkinson, Tessa (2008), *Funeral, Thanksgiving and Memorial Services*, with CD Rom, Norwich: Canterbury Press. (978-1-85311-855-5)
- Churches' Funerals Group (2001). *Funeral Services*, Norwich: Canterbury Press. (1-85311-399-9)
- Common Worship: Pastoral Services, (2000), London: Church House Publishing. (0-7151-2007-7)
- Galloway, Kathy, (ed.), (1996), *The Pattern of our Days*, Wild Goose Publications.
- Horton, R Anne (2000), *Using Common Worship Funerals*, London: Church House Publishing . (0-7151-2005-0)
- James, Hugh (2004), *A Fitting End: Making the Most of a Funeral*. Norwich: Canterbury Press. (1-85311-602-5)
- Pratt and Dobson, *Poppies and Snowdrops*, Peterborough: Inspire. (1-85852-308-7)
- Saunders, Cicely (1990), *Beyond the Horizon: a Search for Meaning in Suffering*, London: DLT. (0-232-51875-0)
- Sheppy, Paul (2003), *In Sure and Certain Hope: Liturgies, Prayers and Readings for Funerals and Memorials*. (1-85311-514-2)
- Whitaker, Agnes (ed) (1984), *All in the End is Harvest: an Anthology for those who Grieve*, London: DLT. (0-232-51624-3)
- The two books used in crematoria:

The churches' funerals group (2001), *Funeral services with selected hymns*, Norwich: Canterbury Press. *This is the blue book*

The churches group on funerals at cemeteries and crematoria (2001), Funeral services, Suffolk: Clowes. *This is the green book*

Sandra Miller, Life Events: mission and ministry at baptisms, weddings and funerals (2018)
London: Church House Publishing

Life after Death

Graham, Jim (1999), Dying to Live: the Christian Teaching on Life after Death,
London: Hodder and Stoughton. (0-340-73558-9)

Mitton, Michael & Parker, Russ (2002), Healing Death's Wounds, Bath: Arcadia.
(1-904404-03-0)

Winter, David (1981), Hereafter Is there life beyond death? Oxford: Mowbray and Co.Ltd (0-264-66729-8)

Prayer resources

In times of particular trauma

Christian Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, Beyond our Tears, London: Church House Publishing

Broader

Common Worship: A Pastoral Ministry Companion (2012), London: Church House Publishing

Ruth Burgess (2013), Saying goodbye: resources for funerals, scattering ashes and remembering,
Glasgow: Wild Goose (particularly good for prayers for burial of ashes)

Ministry

Alan Stanley, Can a Christian have a vocation to be a Funeral Celebrant?

<https://churchsupporthub.org/article/can-christian-vocation-funeral-celebrant/> [accessed 22/10/18]

Developing empathy that heals

Justine Allain-Chapman (2012) Resilient pastors; the role of adversity in healing and growth,
London: SPCK (especially chapter 6)