



A Ministry of Transformation

Several decades ago, it was common to see ads and billboards featuring rugged, handsome cowboys holding cigarettes. Sometimes the ads didn't even include a headline, only the picture of a cowboy and the advertiser's brand name: Marlboro.

These ads made Marlboro an industry leader. They implicitly promised that people who used the product would become rugged and independent like these cowboys. The imagery from the American West represented freedom, adventure, and independence. In a word, the ads promised *transformation*.

People who believed the ads were indeed transformed, but not in the way they wanted to be. Instead, many lost their health and freedom to nicotine addiction, becoming weak and dependent.

As a publisher, Christian Light offers a sort of transformation too, one that has our users' best interests at heart. We want people to experience the kind of transformation Paul describes in 2 Corinthians 3:18: "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."

Christian Light is a conservative Mennonite nonprofit organization with a ministry of academic and spiritual transformation. We offer curriculum,

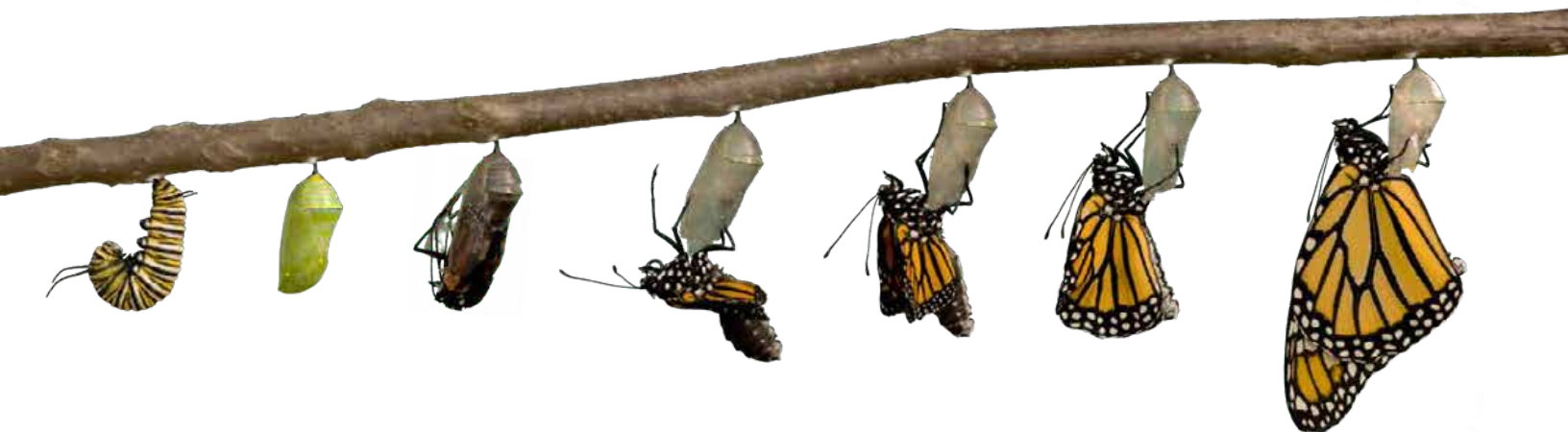
storybooks, books on Christian living, and other materials for families, schools, and churches.

We believe that books, whether storybooks or academic workbooks, can change lives. A book can instantly change the way we see the world. More often, though, change is slow and incremental, like the process of a child growing into an adult.

Transformation can be negative or positive. Years of interacting with a curriculum changes how students think. A secular curriculum influences students toward a secular mindset. In contrast, as students interact with Christian Light curriculum, they are transformed by internalizing Biblical values alongside academic concepts.

Beyond academics for school-age students, storybooks and books about Christian living help readers grow. Reading good books broadens our horizons, helps us put ourselves in other people's shoes, and draws us toward God as we better understand Him and His ways.

At Christian Light, our desire is that you will find our products useful in the slow, steady transformation that God is working in your life and your children's lives.



Manners Are Homemade Series

Manners Are Homemade is a series portraying courteous speech and behavior through the lives of Caleb and his family. Expressive watercolor illustrations help children learn along with Caleb as he practices his manners.

A Birthday for Caleb

“Manners are homemade, and we want to make good ones at our house,” Mama says. Caleb tries, but he doesn’t always remember. It’s even harder when he’s excited about his birthday! Caleb learns the joy of sharing his fourth birthday with his big brothers and his elderly neighbors. Book 1.

Someone New at Caleb’s House

A tiny bed sits in the corner of Mama and Daddy’s room. Caleb knows what it is waiting for. Someone new is coming to his house. When Caleb’s baby sister arrives, he is the first one to hold her! A big brother must be kind and gentle, because new babies are small and fragile. Book 2

Caleb Finds His Treasure

Caleb tries to remember to say “please” and “thank you,” and not to ask for candy when visiting the neighbors. His older brothers have a treasure to show Daddy. Caleb finds a treasure and puts it in his pocket, but then it disappears. Caleb thanks God when it reappears in an unusual place. Book 3.

Caleb’s Cookies and Kittens

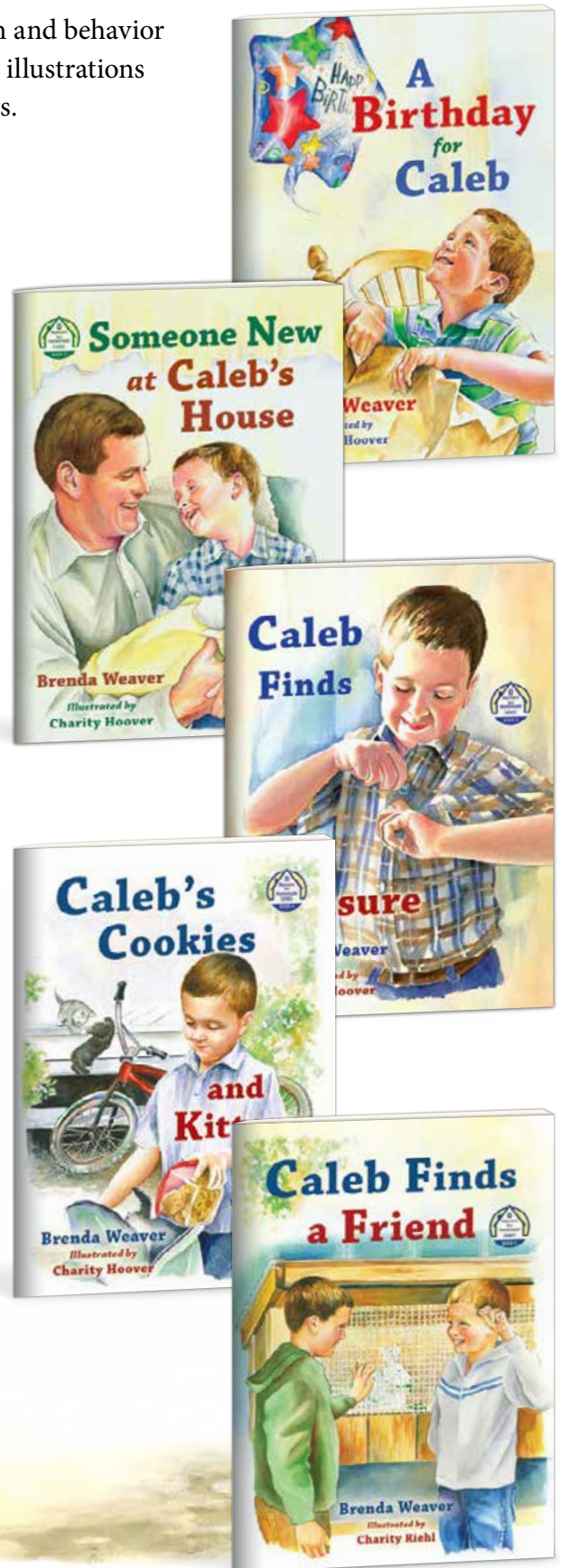
Caleb doesn’t like the nuts Mama put in her chocolate chip cookies, but Mama reminds him not to complain. When Mr. Waverly comes home from the hospital, Caleb uses his homemade manners with his elderly neighbor. A visit with Mr. Waverly helps Caleb find a name for his kitten. Book 4.

Caleb Finds a Friend

Caleb frowns when he learns that company is coming. “I like company I know,” he says. Caleb isn’t sure how to talk to a boy who cannot hear, but Daddy and Mama encourage him to use his best manners. When Caleb is friendly, he finds something he has been wishing for. Book 5.

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6 x 8¼, softcover



Kitchen Grace

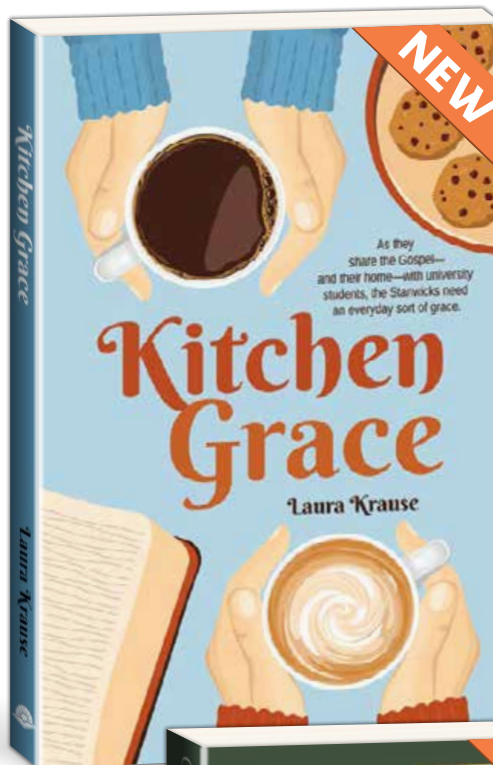
Laura Krause

Roger and Grace Stanwick have relocated to a university town. As first-generation Mennonites, they understand the difficulty of embracing a separated lifestyle, but they are eager to make new friends and share the Gospel.

Settling into a new location brings plenty of headaches—literal ones for Grace. Her kitchen is less than ideal. The Texas heat and the eccentric, unsociable lady next door give Grace plenty to pray about. When Roger and Grace invite a young couple from the university to share their home for a month, Grace knows she will need God's help to withstand the added stress.

Kitchen Grace is a fictional story that encourages hospitality, local outreach, and a heart of understanding for those seeking Truth.

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Church History: Reformation to the 21st Century

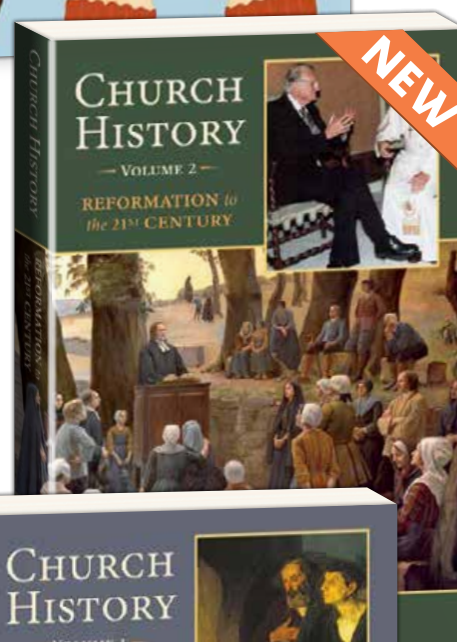
Keith Crider

What happened to the church after the Reformation in the early 1500s? Over the centuries, European explorers, merchants, and missionaries spread Christianity to Africa, Asia, and the Americas. Too often, the Christianity they promoted had more to do with culture and coercion than with conversion and commitment to Christ.

This account of Christianity from the end of the Reformation to the beginning of the twenty-first century helps us understand the influences that have shaped the landscape of the church as we know it today.

From monasteries to missionaries, from Martin Luther to D. L. Moody, from Moravians to the Moral Majority, from Methodists to Mennonites, you can read about them all in this second volume of *Church History*.

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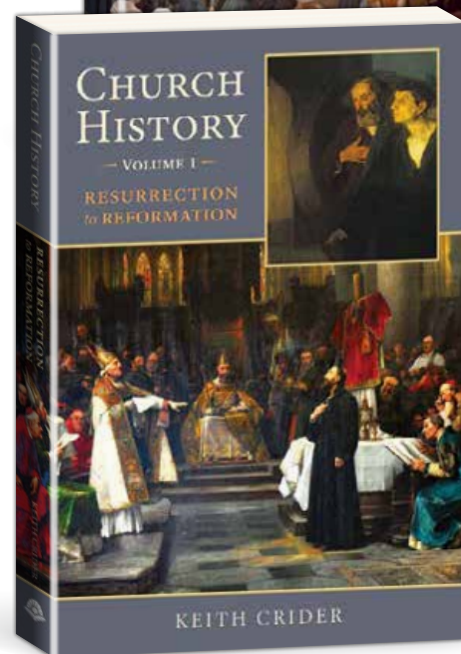


Church History: Resurrection to Reformation

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This history of the church up to the beginning of the Anabaptist movement covers two types of church. The one is the great institutional churches, which through the centuries distorted the church to fit man's notions of power and position. Less is known about the other, which consisted of everyday believers striving to follow Christ in lowly obedience and holiness. A half-credit high school course based on this book is also available (sold separately).

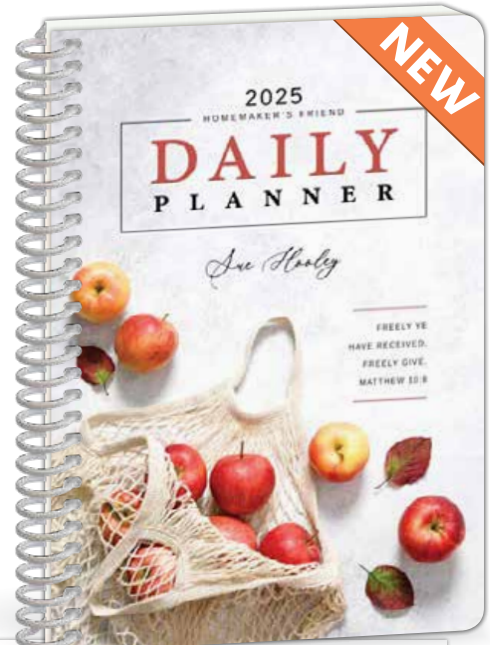
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Luke Bennetch

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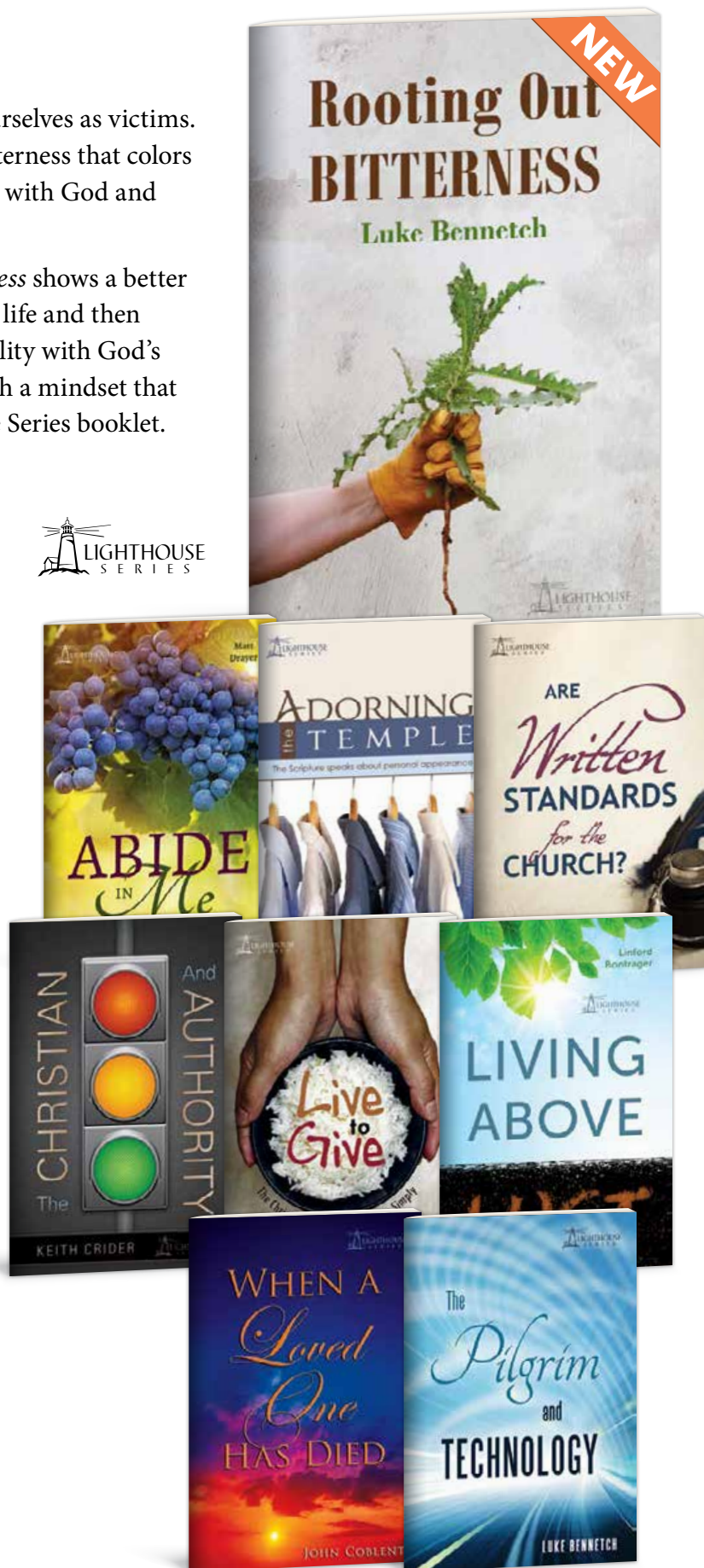
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Diane Freed

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