



CCSW6365 Death, Loss, and Grief
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Division of Church Ministry
Spring 2021 Tuesday 2 – 4:50 p.m.

Dr. Jeanine C. Bozeman, PhD, LCSW, ACSW, BCD, BACS
Professor of Social Work
Office: Dodd 107
Phone: (504) 282-4455, ext. 8106
Email: jbozeman@nobts.edu

Dr. Loretta Rivers, PhD, LCSW, CT
Associate Dean of Graduate Studies
Professor of Social Work
Office: Dodd 101
Phone: (504) 282-4455, ext. 3211
Email: lrivers@nobts.edu

Administrative Assistant: Mary Drake Chavez
Office: Dodd 107
Phone: (504) 282-4455 ext. 8106
Email: socialwork@nobts.edu

Class Grader: Zoë Morris
Email: riversgradernobts@gmail.com

Mission Statement

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

Course Description

The focus in this course is on death, loss, and grief throughout the life span. Attention will be given to basic therapeutic interventions that can be used to assist individuals and groups through a wide variety of loss experiences such as illness, divorce, unemployment, relocation, infertility, death, and purpose. The role of the counselor/minister in the helping relationship will be explored. Lecture, discussion, guest speakers, role playing, and small group components will be utilized.

Student Learning Outcomes

The student involved in this course should be able to accomplish the following:

1. Share grief and loss experienced in his/her own life.
2. Assess his/her readiness to minister to persons in various grief experiences.
3. Develop plans for support groups focusing on death, grief, and loss.
4. Evaluate skills related to helping persons confront death, grief, and loss.
5. Network with professionals in the community who provide supportive services to the griever.
6. Utilize biblical truths when relating to grieving persons.
7. Become acquainted with resources related to death, grief, and loss.
8. Gain understanding regarding the impact of death upon a family.
9. Experience being a companion to a griever.

Textbooks

Required Textbooks

Lewis, C.S. *A Grief Observed*. San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, 2001.

Rando, Therese A. *Grief, Dying, and Death: Clinical Interventions for Caregivers* Champaign, IL: Research Press, 1984.

Wolfelt, Alan D. *Companioning the Bereaved*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2006.

Wolfelt, Alan D. *Death and Grief: A Guide for Clergy*. Munice, IN: Accelerated Development Inc. Publishers, 1988.

Required Journal Articles, Book Chapters, and Movies

The Bucket List (movie)

Cloud, John. "A Kinder, Gentler Death." *Time* (September 18, 2000): 75-82. (available through Ebscohost)

Harvey, John H., and Mark A. Fine. *Children of Divorce: Stories of Loss and Growth*. 2nd ed. New York: Routledge, 2010. (Read Chapters 1-4, pages 1-90, available through ProQuest Ebrary)

Rando, Therese. *How To Go on Living When Someone You Love Dies*. Lexington, MA: Lexington Books, 1988. (Part III, on reserve in library)

Shadowlands (movie)

Recommended Textbooks

Niemeyer, Robert A. *Lessons of Loss: A Guide to Coping*. New York: The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., 1998.

Worden, J. William. *Grief Counseling and Grief Therapy*. 4th ed. New York: Springer Publishing Co., 2006.

Course Teaching Methodology

Class sessions will include lectures, group discussion, videos, and role plays. This course also will include testimonies from men and women who have experienced grief. Students will have the opportunity to dialogue with guest speakers. Also, students will participate in small group discussions. In addition, the entire class will visit the funeral home for an understanding of the embalming process and cremation, if possible.

Course Requirements

1. Students are responsible for completing all reading assignments. The expectation is that the student reads the assigned readings for each class session and be prepared to participate in class discussions.
2. Prepare a reactionary journal on personal thinking and feelings related to the reading, class discussions, field trips, speakers and encounters with grievers. Your journal is to have at least 2 entries each week. Express briefly your personal thinking and feeling. Do not write what you think you should be feeling and thinking. Be honest and specific. The professor will read it twice—on the first due date to make recommendations and on the second due date for grading purposes. Due March 9 and April 20.

Grades will be based on the following:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Expression of thoughts | 25 points |
| Expression of feelings | 25 points |
| Relationships to class experience (reading, speakers, trips) | 25 points |
| Reflects personal viewpoint | 25 points |

3. Present and analyze a personal grief experience integrating grief theory and readings with your personal experience. The paper is to be typed, Turabian style. Recommended length, 8-10 pages, typed, double-spaced. Minimum resources, 15. Due Tuesday, April 13, at class time.

Grading for the Personal Grief Experience Paper will be as follows:

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Thoughts and feelings | 25 points |
| Degree of integration/theory and personal | 25 points |
| Adequate length/minimum errors | 25 points |
| Adequate resources (15) | 25 points |

4. Read *A Grief Observed* and watch video, *Shadowlands*. Type a paper 3-5 pages expressing your reactions to both.
 - A. What feelings did you experience (10 points)?
 - B. What were your thoughts (10 points)?
 - C. If you had to walk through the experience with one of the persons, who would you choose? Explain which one and how you would help (20 points)?
 (40 points total on final exam) Submit to the professor at the time of the final exam.
5. Class Involvement. Be prepared for and be involved in class and small group discussions. Participate in regular small group discussions and lead one group meeting. Class involvement will also be based on attendance, punctuality, participation, and interaction with guest speakers.
6. Visit a grieving person 4 times and listen to their stories. You may visit the same person or 4 different persons. Integrate your reactions into your journal entries. Note visit date and name of person(s) visited. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, please make your visits via telephone or videoconferencing.
7. Successfully complete the midterm and final examinations.

Evaluation of Grade

The student's grade will be computed as follows:

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|-----|
| <i>Midterm:</i> | 20% | <i>Final Exam:</i> | 20% |
| <i>Daily Reactionary Journal:</i> | 20% | <i>Grief Experience Paper:</i> | 20% |
| <i>Class Involvement:</i> | 20% | | |

Technical Assistance

For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504-816-8180) or the following websites:

1. Selfserve@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the Selfserve.nobts.edu site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)
2. BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System NOBTS.Blackboard.com.
3. ITCSupport@nobts.edu - Email for general technical questions/support requests.
4. www.NOBTS.edu/itc/ - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

Professor's Policy on Late Assignments

All work is due on the assigned date in the syllabus. The grade for late assignments will automatically be reduced by 10 points each day. No work is accepted after 5 days.

Academic Honesty Policy

All graduate and undergraduate NOBTS students, whether on-campus, internet, or extension center students, are expected to adhere to the highest Christian standard of honesty and integrity when completing academic assignments for all courses in every delivery system format. The Bible provides our standard for academic integrity and honesty. This standard applies whether a student is taking tests, quizzes, exams, writing papers, completing Discussion Boards, or any other course requirement.

Netiquette

Netiquette refers to appropriate online behavior in Blackboard or other online discussions. Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online on Discussion Boards or whenever interaction occurs through web, digital, or other electronic medium. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity is expected at all times in the online environment.

Academic Policies

Academic policies relating to absences, grading scale, final examination schedules, and other topics can be found in the current online catalog: [New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Academic Catalog](#).

Help for Writing Papers at “The Write Stuff”

NOBTS maintains a Writing Center designed to improve English writing at the graduate level. Students can receive writing guides, tips, and valuable information to help in becoming a better writer.

Writing Style Guide

Writing assignments should follow the **NOBTS/Leavell College Manual of Form and Style** (*revised August 2019*). To access this manual on the seminary website, please use the following link: <https://www.nobts.edu/resources/pdf/writing/StyleGuide.pdf>.

Plagiarism on Written Assignments

NOBTS has a no tolerance policy for plagiarism. Plagiarism in certain cases may result in expulsion from the seminary. See the NOBTS Student Handbook for definition, penalties, and policies associated with plagiarism.

Course Schedule

| Week | | |
|-------------|---|---|
| January 19 | Introduction, Goal Setting, Contracting, Parameters Normalizing Loss/Kinds of Grief <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 1 | Myths <u>Read:</u> Cloud, <u>Time Magazine</u> , (Issue 9/18/00) pp. 60-74 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Death and Grief</i> , Chapters 1-4 |
| January 26 | Manifestations of Grief Influential Factors <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapters 2-3 <u>View:</u> <i>The Bucket List</i> (movie) | Small Group Discussion # 1 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Death and Grief</i> , Chapter 5 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Companioning the Bereaved</i> , pp. 3-44, Tenets 1-2 Speaker: Christi Gibson |
| February 2 | Individual Meanings of Death The Dying Process The Christian View of Death <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapters 8-10 | <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Companioning the Bereaved</i> , Tenets 3-4 Speaker: Ginger Moskau |
| February 9 | Speaker: Roger Sullivan Small Group Discussion # 2 <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 11 | Anticipated Death; Understanding Grief <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Companioning the Bereaved</i> , Tenets 5-6 |
| February 16 | Mardi Gras – No Class | |
| February 23 | Understanding Grief (continued) The Grieving Process <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapters 5-6 and 12 | The Grieving Family Speaker: Duane Gidney <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Death and Grief</i> , Chapters 6-8 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Companioning</i> , Tenets 7-8 |
| March 2 | <u>Read:</u> <i>How To Go On Living When Someone You Love Dies (Part III)</i> <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Companioning the Bereaved</i> , Tenets 9-11 | Small Group Discussion # 3 Midterm Review Speaker: Dr. Jeff Riley |
| March 9 | Midterm Exam <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapters 8-11 | Journals Due: Review 1 |
| March 15-19 | Spring Break-No Class | |
| March 23 | Loss Related to Children Children and Grief <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 5 | <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Death and Grief</i> , Chapters 10-13, 24 |
| March 30 | Loss of a Child Male Grief <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 6 | Small Group Discussion # 4 <u>Read:</u> <i>Grieving Beyond Gender</i> Speaker: Linda Libert |
| April 6 | Examining Loss: Divorce Family Grief Regarding Divorce <u>Read:</u> Rando pages 403-404 | Speaker: Josh Smith <u>View:</u> <i>Hope Floats</i> or <i>Stepmom</i> <u>Read:</u> Harvey & Fine, pages 1-90 |

| | | |
|---------------------|---|---|
| April 13 | Special Issues Related to Loss Teen Loss, Suicide, Male Grief <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 6 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, <i>Death and Grief</i> , Chapters 15-17 | Grief Experience Paper Due <u>Read:</u> Rando: pages 149-154 |
| April 20 | Therapeutic Interventions - The Death of a Baby <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapter 4 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, Chapters 18 and 22 | Journals Due: Review 2 Speaker: Austin Mason |
| April 27 | Death and the Community Small Group Discussion # 5 <u>Read:</u> Wolfelt, Chapters 13, 25-26 | Funerals, Rituals, and Cremation <u>Read:</u> Rando, Chapters 7 and 14 |
| May 4 | Review for Final Exam | Celebration |
| May 11 2- 4 p.m. | Final Exam | Shadowlands Paper Due at time of final exam |

Selected Bibliography

- Abrams, Rebecca. *When Parents Die: Learning to Live with the Loss of a Parent*. New York, NY: Routledge, 2013.
- Angel, Marc D. *The Orphaned Adult: Confronting the Death of a Parent*. New York: Insight Books, Human Services Press, Inc., 1987.
- Baumgardner, Barbara. *A Passage Through Grief*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman, 2002.
- Becvar, Dorothy Stroh. *In the Presence of Grief: Helping Family Members Resolve Death, Dying, and Bereavement Issues*. New York: Guilford Press, 2001.
- Berns, Nancy. *Closure: The Rush to End Grief and What it Costs Us*. Philadelphia, PA: Temple University Press, 2011.
- Bowlby, John. *Attachment and Loss*. Vol. III, *Loss: Sadness and Depression*. New York: Basic Books, Inc., 1982.
- . *The Making and Breaking of Affectional Bonds*. New York: Tavistock Publications, 1979.
- Bowman, George W. *Dying, Grieving, Faith, and Family: A Pastoral Care Approach*. New York: The Haworth Pastoral Press, 1998.
- Brabant, Sarah. *Mending the Torn Fabric: For Those Who Grieve and Those Who Want to Help Them*. Amityville, NY: Baywood, 1996.
- Burns, Bob. *The Adult Child of Divorce*. Nashville: Oliver-Nelson, 1991.
- Christ, Grace Hyslop. *Healing Children's Grief: Surviving a Parent's Death from Cancer*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2000.
- Clinton, Timothy E., and Archibald D. Hart. *Caring for People God's Way: Personal and Emotional Issues, Addictions, Grief, and Trauma*. Nashville: Nelson Reference and Electronic, 2005.
- Coleman, Jan. *After the Locusts: Restoring Ruined Dreams, Reclaiming Wasted Years*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman, 2002.
- Colgrove, Melba, Harold Bloomfield, and Peter McWilliams. *How to Survive the Loss of a Love*. New York: Bantam Books, 1976.

- Corr, Charles A., and Donna M. Corr. *Death and Dying Life and Living*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 2013.
- Corr, Charles, and Hannelore Wass, eds. *Helping Children Cope with Death: Guidelines and Resources*. New York: Hemisphere Publishing Corporation, 1982.
- Correu, Larry M. *Beyond the Broken Marriage*. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1982.
- Cox, David, and Candy Neely-Arrington. *Aftershock: Help, Hope, and Healing in the Wake of Suicide*. Nashville, TN: Broadman and Holman, 2003.
- Cross, Darlene F. *A New Normal: Learning to live with grief and loss*. Las Vegas, NV: Darlene Cross Inc, 2010.
- Dake, Cindy Lewis. *Infertility: A Survival Guide for Couples and Those Who Love Them*. Birmingham, AL: New Hope Publishers, 2002.
- DeBeauvoir, Simone. *A Very Easy Death*. New York: Warner Books, 1964.
- Deits, Bob. *Life After Loss: A Personal Guide to Dealing With Death, Divorce, Job Change, and Relocation*. Tucson, AZ: Fisher Books, 2000.
- DeSpelder, Lynne A., and Albert Lee Strickland. *The Last Dance: Encountering Death and Dying*. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, 2015.
- Doka, Kenneth J., ed. *Disenfranchised Grief: New Directions, Challenges and Strategies for Practice*. Champaign, IL: Research Press, 2002.
- Doka, Kenneth J. and Terry L. Martin. *Grieving Beyond Gender: Understanding the Ways Men and Women Mourn*. New York, NY: Taylor and Francis Group, 2010.
- . *Living with Grief After Sudden Loss*. Washington D.C.: Hospice Foundation of America, 1996.
- Edelman, Hope. *Motherless Daughters: A Legacy of Loss*. Reading, MA: Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1994.
- Fassier, Joan. *My Grandpa Died Today*. New York: Human Sciences Press, 1971.
- Felber, Marta. *Grief Expressed: When A Mate Dies*. Minneapolis: Fairview Press, 2002.
- Fisher, Dr. Bruce. *Rebuilding: When Your Relationship Ends*. San Luis, CA: Impact Publishers, 1996.
- Fitzgerald, Helen. *The Grieving Child: A Parent's Guide*. New York: Fireside, 2003.
- Frankl, Viktor. *Man's Search for Meaning*. New York: Pocket Books, 1959.
- Furman, Erna, ed. *A Child's Parent Dies*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1974.
- Gaffney, Donna A. *The Seasons of Grief: Helping Children Grow Through Loss*. New York: Penguin, 1988.
- George, Denise. *God's Heart, God's Hands: Reaching Out to Hurting Women*. Birmingham, AL: New Hope Publishers, 2004.
- Goldman, Linda. *Breaking the Silence: A Guide to Help Children with Complicated Grief—Suicide, Homicide, AIDS, Violence, and Abuse*. New York: Brunner-Routledge, 2001.
- Grollman, Earl, ed. *Explaining Death to Children*. Boston: Beacon Press, 1967.

- . *Concerning Death*. Boston: Beacon Press, 1974.
- Guthrie, Nancy. *What Grieving People Wish You Knew About What Really Helps (And What Really Hurts)*. Wheaton, Illinois: Crossway, 2016.
- Hardy, Paul. *Redeeming the Tears: A Journey Through Grief and Loss*. Nashville, TN: Serendipity House, 2005.
- Heegaard, Marge Eaton. *Grief: A Natural Reaction to Loss*. Minneapolis: Fairview Press, 2002.
- Hislop, Beverly White. *Shepherding a Woman's Heart: A New Model for Effective Ministry to Women*. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2003.
- Hodges, Samuel J. IV and Kathy Leonard. *Grieving with Hope: Finding Comfort as You Journey through Loss*. Grand Rapids, MI: Bake Books, 2011.
- Holden, Chris. *My Daddy Died and It Is All God's Fault*. Dallas: Word Publishing, 1991.
- Hover, George. *What Happens When I Die?* Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2004.
- Hsu, Albert. *Grieving a Suicide*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2002.
- Jayne, Tabitha. *Thriving loss: Move beyond grief to a place of peace, passion and purpose*. Bloomington, IN: Balboa Press, 2011.
- Jeffreys, J. Shep. *Helping Grieving People: A Handbook for Care Providers*. New York: Brunner-Routledge, 2005.
- . *Helping Grieving People – When tears are not enough: A Handbook for Care Providers*. New York, NY: Routledge, 2011.
- Jong, Jonathan, and Jamin Halberstadt. *Death Anxiety and Religious Belief: An Existential Psychology of Religion*. New York, NY: Bloomsbury, 2016.
- Jordan, John R. and John L. McIntosh. *Grief after Suicide: Understanding the consequences and caring for the survivors*. New York, NY: Routledge, 2011.
- Kids to Kids[videorecording]: When Someone Special Dies*. Calvary Hospital, Kigany Productions, Ltd. Sherborn, MA: Aquarius Health Care Videos, 1999.
- Kohn, Ingrid, and Perry-Lynn Moffitt. *A Silent Sorrow: Guidance and Support for You and Your Family*. New York: Routledge, 2000.
- Kohner, Nancy. *When a Baby Dies: The Experience of Late Miscarriage, Stillbirth, and Neonatal Death*. New York: Routledge, 2001.
- Kolf, June Cerza. *How Can I Help? Reaching Out to Someone Who Is Grieving*. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1989.
- Kopp, Ruth. *When Someone You Love is Dying: A Handbook for Counselors and Those Who Care*. Grand Rapids, MI: Ministry Resources Library, 1990.
- Kremetz, Jill. *How It Feels When a Parent Dies*. New York: Alfred Knopf, 2001.
- Kubler-Ross, Elisabeth, ed. *On Death and Dying*. New York: MacMillan Publishing Col, 1969.

- Lagrand, Louis E. *Healing Grief, Finding Peace: 101 Ways to Cope with the Death of Your Loved One*. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks, Inc., 2011.
- Larson, Dale G. *The Helper's Journey: Working With People Facing Grief, Loss, and Life-Threatening Illnesses*. Champaign, IL: Research Press, 1993.
- Leming, Michael R., and George E. Dickson. *Understanding Dying, Death, and Bereavement*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 2011.
- Lewis, Paddy Greenwall, and Jessica G. Lippman. *Helping Children Cope With the Death of a Parent: A Guide for the First Year*. Westport, CN: Praeger, 2004.
- Lindemann, Erich. "Symptomatology and Management of Acute Grief." *American Journal of Psychiatry* 101 (1944): 141-48.
- Long, Thomas G. and Thomas Lynch. *The Good Funeral: Death, Grief, and the Community of Care*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013.
- Lund, Dale A., ed. *Men Coping With Grief*. Amityville, NY: Baywood Publishing Co., 2001.
- Manning, Doug. *Don't Take My Grief Away From Me*. Oklahoma City, OK: Insight Books, Inc., 1979.
- Martin, Terry L. *Men Don't Cry—Women Do: Transcending Gender Stereotypes of Grief*. Philadelphia, PA: Brunner/Mazel, 2000.
- McCall, Junietta Baker. *Bereavement Counseling: Pastoral Care for Complicated Grieving*. Binghamton, NY: Haworth, 2004.
- . *Grief Education for Caregivers of the Elderly*. New York: Haworth Pastoral Press, 1999.
- McKenry, Patrick C., and Sharon J. Price, eds. *Families and Change: Coping with Stressful Events and Transitions*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2005.
- Meagher, David K., and David E. Balk, ed. *Handbook of Thanatology: The Essential Body of Knowledge for the Study of Death, Dying, and Bereavement*. New York, NY: Routledge, 2013.
- Murthy, Rekha, and Lisa-Lorraine Smith. *Grieving, Sharing, and Healing: A Guide for Facilitating Early Adolescent Bereavement Groups*. Champaign, IL: Research Press, 2005.
- Neely, Kirk H. *When Grief Comes: Finding Strength for Today and Hope for Tomorrow*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2007.
- Neimeyer, Robert A., ed. *Death Anxiety Handbook: Research, Instrumentation, and Application*. New York, NY: Routledge, 1994.
- . *Grief and Bereavement in Contemporary Society: Bridging Research and Practice*. New York, NY: Routledge, 2011.
- . *Lessons of Loss: A Guide to Coping*. New York: The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., 1998.
- Parkes, C.M. *Bereavement: Studies of Grief in Adult Life*. New York: International University Press, 1972.
- Rando, Therese A. *Grief, Dying, and Death*. Champaign, IL: Research Press Company, 1984.
- . *Loss and Anticipatory Grief*. Lexington: D.C. Health & Co., 1986.

- . *Parental Loss of a Child*. Champaign, IL: Research Press Company, 1986. Reed, Mary Lou. *Grandparents Cry Twice: Help for Bereaved Grandparents*. Amityville, NY: Baywood, 2000.
- Reinsmith, A.M.B. *Surviving Grief: 30 Questions and Answers for a Time of Loss*. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 2001.
- Roos, Susan. *Chronic Sorrow: A Living Loss*. New York: Brunner-Routledge, 2002.
- Saake, Jennifer. *Hannah's Hope: Seeking God's Heart in the Midst of Infertility, Miscarriage, and Adoption Loss*. Colorado Springs, CO: NavPress, 2005.
- Schwiebert, Pat. *When Hello Means Goodbye: A Guide for Parents Whose Child Dies Before Birth, at Birth or Shortly After Birth*. Portland, OR: Perinatal Loss, 2012.
- Scrutton, Steve. *Bereavement and Grief: Supporting Older People Through Loss*. London: Edward Arnold, 1995.
- Seibert, Dinah, Judy C. Drolet, and Joyce V. Fetro. *Helping Children Live With Death and Loss*. Carbondale: Southern Illinois University Press, 2003.
- Sharp, Joseph. *Living Our Dying*. New York: Hyperion, 1996.
- Smith, Harold Ivan. *A Decembered Grief*. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 1999.
- . *Friendgrief: An Absence Called Presence*. Amityville, NY: Baywood, 2002.
- . *Grieving the Death of a Mother*. Minneapolis: Augsburg Books, 2003.
- . *When Your People Are Grieving: Leading in Times of Loss*. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 2001.
- Smith, William A. *Reflections on Death, Dying and Bereavement: A Manual for Clergy, Counselors, and Speakers*. Amityville, NY: Baywood, 2003.
- Talbot, Kay. *What Forever Means After the Death of a Child*. New York: Brunner-Routledge, 2002.
- Tangvald, Christine Harder. *Someone I Loved Died*. Elgin, IL: Chariot Books, 1988.
- Teterude, Wesley M. *Caring for Widows: You and Your Church Can Make A Difference*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 1994.
- VanDuivendy, Tim P. *The Unwanted Gift of Grief: A Ministry Approach*. New York: Haworth Pastoral Press, 2006.
- Van Praagh, James. *Healing Grief: Reclaiming Life After Any Loss*. New York: Penguin Putnam, 2001.
- Weems, Ann. *Psalms of Lament*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 1995.
- Wertheimer, Alison. *A Special Scar: The Experience of People Bereaved by Suicide*. Philadelphia: Brunner-Routledge, 2001.
- White, P. Gill. *Sibling Grief: Healing After the Death of a Sister or Brother*. New York: iUniverse, Inc., 2006.
- Whitson, Stephanie Grace. *How To Help a Grieving Friend: A Candid Guide for Those Who Care*. Colorado Springs, CO: NavPress, 2005.
- Williams, Donna Reilly. *Grief Ministry: Helping Others Mourn*. San Jose, CA: Resource Publications, 2001.

- Wilson, John. *Supporting People through Loss and Grief: an Introduction for Counsellors and Other Caring Practitioners*. Philadelphia: Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2013.
- Wolfelt, Alan. *A Child's View of Grief: A Guide for Parents, Teachers, and Counselors*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2004.
- Wolfelt, Alan D. *Companioning the Bereaved Child: A Soulful Guide for Caregivers*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2012.
- . *Death and Grief: A Guide for Clergy*. Brestal, PA: Accelerated Development, 1998.
- . *Healing a Parent's Grieving Heart: 100 Practical Ideas After Your Child Dies*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2002.
- . *Healing the Grieving Child's Heart: 100 Practical Ideas for Families, Friends, and Caregivers*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2000.
- . *Healing a Teen's Grieving Heart: 100 Practical Ideas*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2001.
- . *Healing the Adult Child's Grieving Heart: 100 Practical Ideas After Your Parent Dies*. Fort Collins, CO: Companion Press, 2002.
- Worden, J. William. *Children and Grief*. New York: Guilford Press, 1996.
- . *Grief Therapy*. New York: Springer Publishing Company, 1982. Wright, H. Norman. *Experiencing Grief*. Nashville, TN: Broadman and Holman, 2004.
- York, S. *Remembering Well: Rituals for Celebrating Life and Mourning Death*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2000.
- Zotovitch, Katherine Dorn. *Good Grief for Kids: A Journal to Help Children Cope with Their Grief During Times of Loss*. Los Osos, CA: Journal Keepers, 2000.

Video recordings

- A Guide to the Grief Journey [videorecording] / [hosted by] Darcie Sims and Alan Pederson. 2012
- Helping Those in Grief, Crisis and Trauma [video recording] / H. Norman Wright. 2011