The Bereavement Ministry Program: A Comprehensive Guide For Churches
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The Bereavement Ministry Program helps clergy or lay ministers to minister effectively to those who—for whatever reason—are working their way through the grieving process.

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The Bereavement Ministry is a must for all churches. The text contains guidelines and suggestions for dealing with a variety of grief situations: suicide, still births, natural deaths, tragic deaths, teen deaths, just to list a few. I recently used the book when a teenager in our church was killed in an accident. We were able to give the teens information about grief and how it might be manifested. We were able to give the parents information about how their children might experience grief and how the two groups could work together for a healthier mourning process. The book also contains samples of follow-up letters that can be sent to those in mourning. There are twelve letters, one for each month of the year following the death of a loved one. As a pastor, I wish I never needed this book, but reality is that death happens and this book is worth the cost to help our people mourn and handle grief.

As leader of a bereavement ministry group in Anchorage, Alaska I have found this manual especially helpful and purchased seven copies for my group. Not having had any formal training I felt this book would help us all with helping other in or works.
Parish Nurses benefit from the Bereavement Ministry Program. We have a group of Parish Nurses at my church and find the information useful.