
DR. W. CHARLES ARN



EDUCATION

Ed.D. 1976 University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)
M.S. 1973 University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)
B.A. 1972 Seattle Pacific University (Seattle, WA)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & ACTIVITIES

Visiting Professor, Indian Wesleyan Seminary 2009 - present
President, Church Growth, Inc. 1989 - present

- Researched, designed, and developed instructional materials produced by Church Growth, Inc.

The Master's Plan for Making Disciples - video training kit
Mobilizing Laity for Ministry - training kit
Growing in Love - video training kit
Let the Church Grow - mediated training course
Spiritual Gifts for Building the Body - study course
A Shepherd's Guide to Caring & Keeping - media training kit
Celebration of Friendship - worship planning kit
Celebrating God's Family - worship planning kit
Celebration of Service - worship planning kit
In His Steps - worship planning kit

- Researched, designed, developed and presented seminars presented by Church Growth, Inc.

Clergy Conferences:

“How to Reach Unchurched People”
“The Engaging Church”
“Welcome to the Family”
“How to Reach Unchurched Families in Your Community”
“How to Diagnose & Renew Your Church”
“Worship That Attracts the Unchurched”
“25 Ways to Reach the Unchurched”
“How to Assimilate New Members into Your Church”
“How to Mobilize Laity for Ministry”
“How to Develop a Vision, Plan and Strategy for Growth”
“How to Use the Computer in the Church”
“How to Identify, Reach and Win New People”
“How to Grow a Sunday School”

Lay Training Conferences:

“Basic Growth Seminar”
“Lifestyle Evangelism”
“Getting Ready for Company”
“Your Sunday School Can Grow”
“Mobilizing Laity for Ministry”
“How to Reach Unchurched People”

- Editor, *Church Growth: America* magazine 1976 - 1983
 - Editor, *The Growth Report* 1983 - 1998
 - Public speaking on church growth/church health topics to clergy from all major church bodies in U.S. Also speaking engagements in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, South Korea, India, Poland
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lectured at the following schools of higher education:

- Anderson University, (Anderson, IN)
- Asbury Theological Seminary (Wilmore, KY)
- Azusa Pacific University (Azusa, CA)
- Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena, CA)
- Multnomah School of the Bible (Portland, OR)
- New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (New Orleans, LA)
- Reformed Theological Seminary (Orlando, FL)
- Talbot Theological Seminary (La Mirada, CA)
- Torch Seminary (Seoul, Korea)
- University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)

PUBLICATIONS

Books authored or co-authored:

- *Building Side-Doors: A Missional Guide to Reaching Your Community* Group, 2009
- *The Church Growth Ratio Book* CGI, 2005, 1996
- *The New Senior: Preparing Your Church for the Age Wave* IACG, 2004
- *White Unto Harvest: Evangelizing Senior Adults* IACG, 2003
- *Catch the Age Wave (2nd ed.)*. Beacon Hill Pub., 1999, 1993
- *The Master's Plan for Making Disciples* Baker Books, 1998, 1982
- *How to Start a New Service* Baker Books, 1997
- *Live Long & Love It!* Tyndale Publishing House, 1991, 1989
- *Who Cares About Love?* Church Growth Press, 1987
- *Growth: A New Vision for the Sunday School* Church Growth Press, 1980

Chapters/essays in other books:

- “Small Groups that Grow a Church” in *Building Church Leaders* CTI.
- “Arn on Social Concern” in *Into the Future* Fleming Revel.
- “Pool of Support” in *Strategic Planning* Leadership Resources.
- “When Change Happens to You” in *Seniors Devotional Bible*, Zondervan.
- “A Change for the Better” in *Coming of Age Gracefully*, Concordia.
- “Retaining Converts” & “Adult Activities” in *Leadership Hbk. of Practical Theology*, Baker.
- “Decision Making or Disciple Making” in *Church Growth State of the Art*, Tyndale.
- “Mobilizing Laity for Ministry” in *Church Growth State of the Art*, Tyndale.
- “Identifying Receptive People” in *The Pastor's Growth Handbook* Church Growth.
- “A Different Perspective” in *Successful Writers and Editors Handbook*, Tyndale.

Books edited:

- *The Missing Generation* (184 pages)
- *Attracting New Members* (178 pages)
- *The Pastor's Church Growth Handbook Vol. I* (210 pages)
- *The Pastor's Church Growth Handbook Vol. II* (194 pages)
- *Ten Steps for Church Growth* (128 pages)
- *How to Grow a Church* (168 pages)

Numerous articles published in denominational and inter-denominational magazines.

Listed in: *Stathmore's Who's Who of America's Leaders*
International Who's Who of Professionals
Who's Who of National Executives
Who's Who in American Church Growth

Vice-President of the American Society for Church Growth; 2000-2002

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