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## UCC Resources:



### **This is How We Begin | Devotionals and Prayers to Start Meetings**

Author: Christina Villa

Publisher: Open Waters Publishing

Learn More/Order: <http://www.uccresources.com/products/this-is-how-we-begin-devotionals-prayers-to-start-meetings?variant=538878353>

*This is How We Begin: Devotionals and Prayers to Start Meetings* is 40 devotionals and prayers on topics including "Servant/Leader," "Different Gifts," "Why Do We Do This, Anyway?" and more. You can use these readings to set the right tone for your church meetings, keep them on track, and make them more productive.



### **God is Still Speaking 365 Daily Devotionals**

Author: The Stillspeaking Writers' Group

Learn More/Order: <http://www.uccresources.com/products/god-is-still-speaking-365-daily-devotionals>

The popular online daily devotional is now available as a book. Relevant, brief, insightful devotionals designed to provide a powerful jolt each morning. Unique, straightforward readings for prayerful reflection that will provoke conversation and meditation, readily applied to daily life. Each easy to read devotional provides a scripture verse, reflection and prayer.



**OMG!** Devotionals for Teens and Young Adults

Author: The Stillspeaking Writers' Group

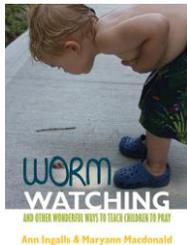
Learn More/Order: <http://www.uccresources.com/products/omg-devotionals-for-teens-young-adults?variant=538878305>

**These devotionals may not be what you're expecting.**

They're not lectures. They're not mini-sermons.

They're meant to help you live your life better by connecting you with God— no matter what's on your mind or going on in your life. They can even help you pray.

Written by progressive Christian pastors and writers whose differing backgrounds, ages, and opinions make these devotionals unpredictable and meaningful to all kinds of people.



**Worm Watching and Other Wonderful Ways to Help Children to Pray**

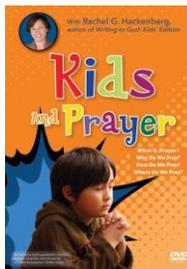
Authors: Ann Ingalls and Maryann Macdonald

Publisher: Pilgrim Press

Date: May 1, 2012

Learn More/Order: <http://www.uccresources.com/products/worm-watching-and-other-wonderful-ways-to-teach-children-to-pray-ingalls-macdonald>

*Worm Watching and Other Wonderful Ways to Help Children to Pray* will help you to explore children's prayer. Ann Ingalls and Maryann Macdonald assist parents and educators with teaching children a good habit of prayer through play. We know children love to play, so help them to play and pray at the same time



**Kids and Prayer DVD – Protestant Edition**

Authors: Rachel G. Hackenberg

Date: Feb 28, 2016

Learn More/Order: [https://www.uccresources.com/products/kids-and-prayer-dvd-protestant-edition-hackenberg?\\_pos=8&\\_sid=af565c483&\\_ss=r](https://www.uccresources.com/products/kids-and-prayer-dvd-protestant-edition-hackenberg?_pos=8&_sid=af565c483&_ss=r)

Introduce your kids and your classroom to prayer, with this lively video presentation in four sessions, each asking a basic question. The sessions include explanations from Rachel G. Hackenberg, interviews with kids, onscreen storyboard Bible teaching, and “on the road” field trips to look at each question from a different angle. Your class will enjoy paying attention to this engaging instruction!

Session 1: What Is Prayer?

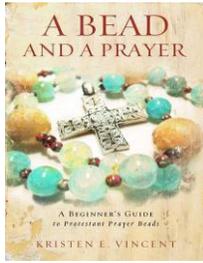
Session 2: Why Do We Pray?

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\*Resources listed in this section have been successfully utilized and recommended by local church(es) in the New Hampshire Conference United Church of Christ.

## **Other Prayer Resources\*:**



### **A Bead and a Prayer: A Beginner's Guide to Protestant Prayer Beads**

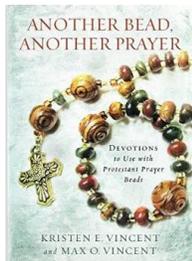
Authors: Kristen E. Vincent

Date: July 1, 2013

Learn More/Order:

<https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/Default.aspx?bookid=1217>

This book provides an introduction for Christians who have no experience in praying with beads. It explores the history and art of using beads in prayer, explains how to use prayer beads, includes instructions for making your own set of prayer beads, and offers a variety of prayers. Through *A Bead and a Prayer*, you will learn how prayer beads can help you deepen your faith, understand Christian beliefs, and listen to God. Wonderful hands-on ways for you to grow in your prayer life!



### **Another Bead, Another Prayer: Devotions to use with Protestant Prayer Beads**

Authors: Kristen E. Vincent , Max O. Vincent

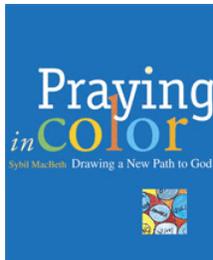
Publisher: The Upper Room

Date: January 6, 2015

Learn More/Order: <https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/1372/another-bead-another-prayer.aspx>

Yes, it's really okay for Protestants to use prayer beads! Kristen and Max Vincent invite you to pray from your heart with these 28 devotions designed for use with prayer beads.

*Another Bead, Another Prayer* begins with a brief explanation of Protestant prayer beads for readers who are unfamiliar with them. The devotions are grouped by 4 types of prayer: praise, confession, intercession, and thanksgiving.



### **Praying in Color: Drawing a New Path to God**

Age Level: Adult, however, books are available in a Kids Edition and a Hands-On Practice for Men

Date: 2007

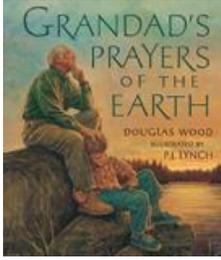
Publisher: Paraclete Press

Author: Sybil MacBeth

Learn More/Order: <https://prayingincolor.com/>

This book introduces the active, visual prayer practice the author calls "praying in color." The book provides a little bit of memoir and theology and a lot of how-to. Step-by step instructions in Chapter 3 introduce "praying in color" as a way to do intercessory prayer. Additional chapters explain how the practice can be applied to learning Scripture, keeping Advent and Lent, practicing lectio divina, and praying in other ways.

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### Grandad's Prayers of the Earth

Age Level: 6 years old and up

Publisher: Candlewick Press

Author: Douglas Wood

Illustrator: P.J.Lynch

Learn More/Order: <http://www.candlewick.com/>

(This book is also available on <http://www.amazon.com> )

*From the Candlewick Press website, "Grandad is the boy's best friend. Being with him always makes the world seem right. And how vast that world is: a world of tall trees that reach for the clouds and sun and moon and stars -- and what else is reaching for heaven but a prayer? Each time he and Grandad walk in the woods, the boy listens for the prayers of the earth. And finally the boy asks: "Are our prayers answered?" One day, long after Grandad is gone, long after the boy is grown, he understands Grandad's reply: "If we listen very closely, a prayer is often its own answer."*

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