Books You Recommend?

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Dear Mr. Mark—

I have a young woman I hired last fall to be my rotation coordinator on Sunday mornings. She is now part-time church receptionist and part-time Childhood Associate. She primarily has preschool responsibilities but as time goes on I will involve her in children's activities. She senses God calling her in to full time Children's Ministry so I want to make sure I'm mentoring her and providing good opportunities to grow in her knowledge and understanding of the ministry. She is very strong and has great preschool knowledge. One of the areas I want to begin to grow her in is working with volunteers. So, I was wondering if you could share with me a couple of your favorite books for children's ministers, especially your favorite book on volunteers. Just off the top of your head what are your favorites? I appreciate your thoughts.
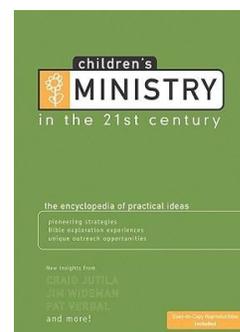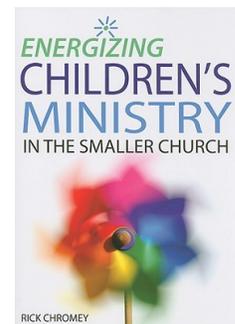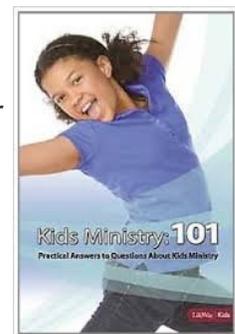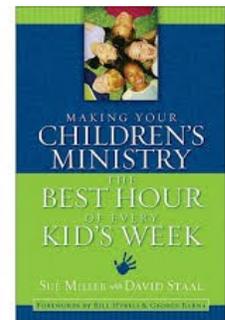
Hey Friends--

So glad to hear another minister is being equipped. Great job!

Here are a few suggestions:

- **Kids Ministry 101**- LifeWay. This has a few sections for leading volunteers and an overall good resource book.

- **Energizing Children's Ministry in the Smaller Church** by Rick Chromey provides some helps concerning volunteers.

- **Children's Ministry in the 21st Century, The Encyclopedia of Practical Ideas** by Group provides helpful ideas and resources.

- **Children's Ministry that Works** (Revised and Updated) by Group has helpful ideas from a variety of authors.

- **Making Your Children's Ministry the Best Hour of Every Kid's Week** by Sue Miller has many good suggestions.

I hope this helps. I am completing the final edit of my new book, **31 Days to Finding You Kid's Ministry Mojo** and I have included several parts about enlisting. I will check to make sure there is practical information about volunteers. Our life revolves around volunteers. As always--Thanks for your friendship!

Mr. Mark

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