Feature Article

In a recent article entitled, 5 Things You Didn’t Know About Gen Y, Devin Ambro addresses five basics about the new group of recent college graduates hitting the job market. Though he is specifically addressing businesses, what he has to say can be useful for ministry as well.

1. Millennials ask questions. And lots of them. This questioning can be seen as talking back, but really is just a searching for truth. In terms of ministry, be open. This generation, more than ever, is looking for a faith to call their own.

2. No expectations of stability. This is in relation to the economy and the job market. However, you have the opportunity to offer some stability through your personal relationship and by displaying Christ's steadfast love.

3. Don’t wake them up before noon. It is becoming more common for this generation, when attending church, to skip Sabbath School and just attend the service. Be creative in ways to connect and encourage them to come to Sabbath School.

4. The fine line between work and play is now even finer. Create activities that blur those lines between church and community, such as bowling nights that are purposed for fun but with Christ's flavor.

5. Cut the fat out of everything. Don't talk around an issue; get right to the point. Don't hem-haw around it, tell them of Christ's love. The Gospel is, after all, "Good News"!

Feature Media

In Lost in Transition, Christian Smith and his collaborators

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Mark Your Calendar
The 2011, 180 Symposium is coming up October 18-20. This symposium addresses issues facing youth and young adults in the church, with desires to move forward together in a prayerful, contemplative way while ensuring we take time to think about the things that really matter. Learn more today!

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A Part of the CYE
COR is a ministry of the Center for Youth Evangelism
draw on 230 in-depth interviews with a broad cross-section of emerging adults (ages 18-23) to investigate the difficulties young people face today, the underlying causes of those difficulties, and the consequences for both individuals and American society as a whole.

Life for emerging adults is vastly different today than it was for their counterparts even a generation ago. Young people are waiting longer to marry, to have children, and to choose a career direction. As a result, they enjoy more freedom, opportunities and personal growth than ever before. But the transition to adulthood is also more complex, disjointed and confusing.

Smith identifies five major problems facing many young people today:

- confused moral reasoning
- routine intoxication
- materialistic life goals
- regrettable sexual experiences
- disengagement from civic and political life.

The trouble does not lie only with the emerging adults or their poor individual decisions, but has much deeper roots in mainstream American culture—a culture which emerging adults have largely inherited rather than created. Older adults, Smith argues, must recognize that much of the responsibility for the pain and confusion young people face lies with them.

The book is available from Oxford Press for $27.95. Learn more about the National Study of Youth & Religion project, the source of this feature.

COR's New Face

CYE and COR welcome Tibor D. Shelley as Assistant Director. Tibor is an ordained minister with a passionate personal desire to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. As a Seventh-day Adventist, Tibor has demonstrated leadership in education, evangelism, youth ministry, conference administration, communications, marketing, pastoral care and media. Tibor, with his wife, Connie, are proud parent of two girls, Katie and Amie. Read more about Tibor on the CYE Team Page.
José Bourget, the former Assistant Director, has accepted a position as the Outreach Chaplain in the Office of Campus Ministries on the campus of Andrews University.

**Feature Value**

**Sabbath**

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy."

*Exodus 20:8 NKJV*

The Sabbath is a special time set apart when we, as humans, can spend time with our Creator. There have been debates as to when exactly the Sabbath starts and finishes and what exactly "Sabbath" means. Shawn Boonstra has a short video as part of It Is Written's "A Better Way to Live" addressing these very issues. [Have a look.](#)