

Go and Do: Becoming a Missional Christian **Available July 2012** \$15, 180 pages, paper 978-0-8308-3822-6

Go and Do, a new book from Don Everts

Your books include Jesus with Dirty Feet, The Smell of Sin, the One Guy's Head series, Getting Your Feet Dirty and now a book on the missional Christian. Why did you decide to write Go and Do?

Don Everts: The joy of my own ragamuffin path from being a risk-averse safe Christian to being a growing missional Christian motivated this book. Also, I wanted to provide a simple yet wise primer for Christians who are getting caught up in God's work in the world or for churches who want to be more missional. I saw the need in my own church for a primer that goes beyond a theology of mission to examine the spirituality of mission and also gives practical advice for mission, whether it's taking place in your family, your neighborhood, in the city or halfway around the world. There wasn't a single mission book I could give to everyone in our church, whether they were getting caught up in local evangelism, urban mercy or overseas work. So, a colleague told me I needed to write the book!

What is the main point of Go and Do?

Don: We all have a posture toward the broken world around us. God wants us to have a missional posture: getting more caught up in his redeeming work in this world.

What do you hope readers take away from Go and Do?

Don:

- God isn't primarily interested in Christians being safe, successful or happy.
- God has always wanted his people to partner with him in his redeeming work in this world.
- Becoming a missional Christian affects your eyes, hands, heart, soul and feet in some very specific (and wonderful!) ways.
- Mission is everywhere, and we're all called to mission.

What is unique about Go and Do?

Don: It is good news about the church, for a change: Christians are getting swept up in making a difference for the world.



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Don Everts is minister of outreach at Bonhomme Presbyterian Church in Chesterfield, Missouri, where he spends time cultivating relationships with people who are generally skeptical Christians with a passion for evangelism and global justice. He previously served as an area director for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in Boulder, Colorado.

Most of Don's books are inspired by students. Jesus with Dirty Feet came from a summer of pick-up basketball with a group of Boulder locals. The Smell of Sin came from helping college men through temptations. The One Guy's Head series came from an argument with a friend.

In college, Don majored in English and enjoyed courses in philosophy, religion and sociology. He loves books and reads broadly—from Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky to cyberpunk writer William Gibson. National Geographic and Wired are among his favorite magazines. Don's latest work for Likewise is the One Guy's Head series.

