

## **UNITE 2024 Resources**

The resources below have been curated specifically for UNITE 2024 as a guide for additional learning for you and your teams.

### **Session 1: A spiritually thick church brings hope to a cynical world**

- Daniel Strickland, *The Other Side of Hope: Flipping the Script on Cynicism and Despair and Rediscovering Our Humanity*
- Brian Zahnd, *Water to Wine: Some of My Story*

### **Session 2: A church centered on Jesus surrenders power in a world obsessed with control**

- Marlena Graves, *The Way Up is Down: Becoming Yourself by Forgetting Yourself*
- David Fitch, *Reckoning with Power: Why the Church Fails When It's on the Wrong Side of Power*

### **Session 3: A unified church displays a new possibility in a polarized world**

- Book: Betty Pries, *The Space Between Us*
- Video Series: Making Peace in a Polarized World Video Series
- This three-part video series is designed to equip church leadership teams and small groups to navigate polarity and conflict in ways that center Jesus. This series provides practical tools and fresh imagination for the transformational opportunities that conflict and polarization can provide.
- Featuring veteran pastors, organizational leaders, and conflict transformation experts: Samuel Sarpiya, Betty Pries, Adam Dyer, Mandy Casper, Colin McCartney, and more

### **Session 4: A church at peace offers healing to an anxious world**

- Book: J.R. Briggs, *A Time to Heal: Offering Hope to a Wounded World in the Name of Jesus*
- Book: Steve Cuss, *Managing Leadership Anxiety*

### **Video Resource: Becoming Churches that Heal**

Renowned psychologist Dr. Henry Cloud created a resource to equip churches to be places hurting people run to, not away from. This video library curates curriculum and resources to equip churches to surprise the world in their response to the mental health crisis.