



Columbia Bible College Library

Library Research Guides

Youth Ministries

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1. Internet Resources

[Barna Research Group](http://www.barna.org/) - Providing objective, statistical research on current cultural and spiritual trends, BRG is focused on serving the information needs of the church, offering statistics, resources, seminars and custom research. (<http://www.barna.org/>)

[Canadian Centre for Adolescent Research](http://ccar.briercrest.ca/) - A key site from the *Briercrest Family of Schools*. CCAR is dedicated to bringing resources and pertinent information to youth pastors and workers all over Canada. Includes Canadian youth worker sites & government sites. (<http://ccar.briercrest.ca/>)

[Center for Parent Youth Understanding](http://www.cpyu.org/) – Media, music, culture reviews and analysis by Walt Mueller, et al., with many links. (<http://www.cpyu.org/>)

[Christian Teens](http://www.christianteens.about.com/index.htm) - Teens and youth workers can find topics and features to build their faith, meet other teens, and discuss contemporary issues. From *About.com*. (<http://www.christianteens.about.com/index.htm>)

[Current Thoughts and Trends](http://www.gospelcom.net) – A monthly summary of articles from over 75 magazines that keeps readers abreast of what's happening in the world. Includes a cumulative index and searchable archives from this valuable printed periodical. (<http://www.gospelcom.net>)

[Encyclopedia of Youth Studies](http://www.centerforyouth.org/) – From Dean Borgman and the youth ministry crew at Gordon-Conwell Seminary, this is the online home of The Center for Youth Studies and their database of articles on Contemporary youth culture. (<http://www.centerforyouth.org/>)

[Group Magazine](http://www.groupmag.com/) - This site is the on-line resource for Group Magazine. This magazine has many great articles that aid the youth leader in their ministry. (<http://www.groupmag.com/>)

[Mennonite Central Committee Youth Service Opportunities](http://www.mcc.org/youth.html) MCC currently has 20 plus programs for young people. Programs are for groups or individuals with terms from one week to one year. (<http://www.mcc.org/youth.html>)

[YouthPastor.com](http://www.youthpastor.com/) A free online resource for youth pastors involved in youth ministry. Games, lessons, ideas, jobs, articles. (<http://www.youthpastor.com/>)

[YouthMinistry.com](http://www.youthministry.com/) - An outstanding library of resources from Group Publishing, Inc. (<http://www.youthministry.com/>)

* [Youthspecialties.com](http://youthspecialties.com) – One of the best, largest, and most comprehensive sites offering everything from academic articles to new game ideas and everything in between. (<http://youthspecialties.com>)

[Youthworkers.net](http://youthworkers.net) – The online home of the National Network of Youth Ministries. Visitors can find out about training events and programs, read articles by youth ministry experts, purchase resources, locate a youth worker network in their local area, etc. (<http://youthworkers.net>)

2. The On-line Catalogue

Use the on-line [Catalogue](#) to find a listing of books, videos, and music CD-ROMs held in CBC Library. Sample keywords to search are:

Adolescent psychology
Church and work and youth
Counseling and youth
Drama and youth
Drugs/Alcohol and youth
Missions and youth
Sexuality and youth
Spirituality and youth
Street youth
Youth and family
Youth and generation
Youth and videorecording

3. Article Indexes

Journal and newspaper articles can be useful sources of information for your research topic. These articles may be found by using online databases, CD-ROM databases or printed indexes.

A. On-line Databases

Go to the [CBC Library webpage](http://www.columbiabc.edu/library/). (www.columbiabc.edu/library/)

Click on [Article Indexes](#)

- Proquest Religion Database - (available only from the CBC Library computer stations). **Excellent database for full-text journal articles in youth ministry.**
- [EbscoHost database](#) (via Fraser Valley Regional Library) *To access this database from CBC Library or your home computer, you will need to be a registered patron at the Fraser Valley Regional Library. All CBC students are eligible to register with the Fraser Valley Regional Library and to receive a Library card. Excellent database for full-text journal articles related to youth.* (<http://www.fvrl.bc.ca/speciald/index2.shtml>)
- [Micromedia - Canadian Business and Current Affairs database](#) - (via Fraser Valley Regional Library) *To access this database from CBC Library or your home computer, you will need to be a registered patron at the Fraser Valley Regional Library. All CBC students are eligible to register with the Fraser Valley Regional Library and to receive a Library card. Excellent database for Canadian focused, full-text journal articles related to youth.* (<http://www.fvrl.bc.ca/speciald/index2.shtml>)

B. CD-ROM Databases (available from CBC Library computer stations)

- Religion Index
- Religious and Theological Abstracts

C. Print indexes

- Christian Periodical Index

4. **Periodicals** (print titles available at CBC):

- Canadian Social Trends
- Campus Life
- CCM (Contemporary Christian Music)
- Group
- Journal of Adolescence_. (on order)
- [Online Youth Magazines](http://christianteens.about.com/teens/christianteens/cs/youthmagazines/index.htm) - a variety of online Christian youth magazines on the internet including *Breakaway, Campus Life, Christian Sports Flash, YouthWalk.* (<http://christianteens.about.com/teens/christianteens/cs/youthmagazines/index.htm>)
- With
- Youth Update
- Youthguide : Resources for Ministry with a New Generation
- Youthworker

5. **Reference Books**

The Canada Year Book. REF 031.02 C212 1997
Canadian Social Trends. 306.0971 C212 v.2 1994
The Christian Ministry Sourcebook. REF 206 C212 2000
Profiling Canada's Families II. REF 306.85 0971 P964 2000
Directory of Services for the Lower Mainland. REF 361.002571133 D598 1996
Year 2000 Christian Resource Directory. REF 260.25 711 C555 1999

If you would like help or further suggestions for research, please ask the librarian for assistance.