

From the desk of . . .

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May I suggest a very good book -

God's Forever Family by Larry Eskridge

It's a book that examines the Jesus People of the 1960s who were converted out of the counter-culture Flower Children of the same time. Some feel that this was a time of revival in the United States. From the Jesus People came the beginnings of change in Christian music, the flourishing of the para-church ministries, the rise of the modern charismatic movement, aggressive collegiate evangelism, the Christian marketing phenomenon, and even the Moral Majority and Evangelical Movement of the '70s. The idea of the Coffee House, the small group idea, much of the mentoring and discipleship model, EXPO '72, Christian bands, and Christian media - the Jesus Movement had many streams leading from it. The fascinating thing to me is that it took place in my lifetime! It also is a powerful statement as to how the church dealt with change in culture. Many cults and errant ideas came from that time which Eskridge traces but the indelible mark upon "how we do church" cannot be missed.

It is a very enjoyable, pertinent, and for me - nostalgic read. Also very illuminating. . .

I recommend it  
Tommy