Nursing as Ministry

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Foreword

piritual care is an essential component of nursing best-practice standards in all settings, but often nurses are not adequately prepared to provide spiritual care, and current educational resources are scarce. For faith community nurses, whose specialty practice focuses on the intentional care of the spirit, finding high-quality educational resources is a struggle internationally. As an educator for both mainstream nursing and faith community nursing practice with a Doctor of Ministry in Global Health and Wholeness, I am excited to find that Nursing as Ministry has been compiled to fill the gap between classics, such as Shelly and Miller's 2006 Called to Care: A Christian Worldview for Nursing, and the current need for updated nursing spiritual care materials that address the issues and special needs populations of today's nursing practice.

Nursing as Ministry provides perspectives from 29 interprofessional experts focusing on the relationship of nursing and ministry in a user-friendly format with many added beneficial features for both the participant and the instructor. Inclusions such as personal reflections for each chapter and an instructor manual that includes Power Point slides, test questions, and clinical activities makes this text ideal for incorporating into a wide variety of college-level nursing courses.

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