Spirituality and Dementia

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Web Site

*Center for spirituality and aging.*
Anaheim, CA.
“Provides education and advocacy about spirituality and ethics as they are experienced in the aging process within both faith and long-term care communities.”
http://www.spiritualityandaging.org

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Abstract: http://dem.sagepub.com/content/early/2011/05/27/1471301211408122.abstract?rss=1
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Ennis, EM; Kazer, MW. The role of spiritual nursing interventions on improved outcomes in older adults with dementia. *Holistic Nursing Practice.* Mar 2013; vol. 27(2), pp. 106-113.
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Abstract: [http://www.sciencedirect.com](http://www.sciencedirect.com)
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“Describes the author’s study of spiritual reminiscence in small groups for people with dementia to show one way in which several research methods may be used in combination to strengthen the research findings.”
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Watson, NM. Spiritual nurturance and the support for nursing home residents with dementia. *Dementia*. Feb 2011; vol. 10(1), pp. 59-80. Abstract: [http://dem.sagepub.com/content/10/1/59.refs](http://dem.sagepub.com/content/10/1/59.refs)


### Books & Book Chapters


Shamy, E. *Guide to the spiritual dimension of care for people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias: more than body, brain, and breath.*

**Journal Issues**


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Padmaprabha, D; Sperlinger, DJ; Boddington, S. The lived experience of spirituality and dementia in older people living with mild to moderate. *Dementia*. Feb 2012; vol. 11(1), pp. 75-94
Abstract: [http://intl-dem.sagepub.com/content/early/2011/11/01/1471301211416608](http://intl-dem.sagepub.com/content/early/2011/11/01/1471301211416608)
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Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220 B665 2006
Burchett, HE. *Last light: staying true through the darkness of Alzheimer’s.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220 B947 2002.

David, JA. *Set me adrift in the sea of faith: the faith renewing story of an Alzheimer patient’s daughter.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220.75 D249 2007

Ewing, WA. *Tears in God’s bottle: reflections on Alzheimer’s caregiving.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 E95 1999

Forrest, DA; Richmond, C. *Symphony of spirits: encounters with the spiritual dimensions of Alzheimer's.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 F728 2000

Hall, ET. *Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease: Christian perspective.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 H175 2000

Joltin, A; Noble, BH. *Prayer activity. IN: A different visit: activities for caregivers and their loved ones with memory impairments,* pp. 57-58.
Beachwood, OH: Myers Research Institute, Menorah Park Center for Senior Living, 2005.
Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 450 J75 2005

McLeod, BW. *And thou shalt honor: the caregiver’s companion.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: HV 1461 A535 2002

McLeod, BW. *Care giving: the spiritual journey of love, loss, and renewal.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: HV 1461 M478 1999.

Murphey, CB. *My parents, my children: spiritual help for caregivers.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 M87 2000

Pearce, N. *Inside Alzheimer’s disease: how to hear and honor connections with a person who has dementia.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220 P359 2007
Pray with me still: rosary meditations and spiritual support for persons with Alzheimer’s, their caregivers, and loved ones.
Notre Dame, IN: Ave Maria Press, 2006.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4910.6 P73 2006

Rihner, B. Angel hike: an answer to prayer about Alzheimer's disease. (a novel)
Green-Field Library Call No.: PS 3573 R572 2007

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Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 R673 1996

Samples, P. Comfort and be comforted: reflections for caregivers.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 S36c 2001

Simsop, R. Through the wilderness of Alzheimer's disease: a guide in two voices.
Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220.5 S613 1999

Strecker, TR. Alzheimer's: making sense of suffering.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 S914 1997

Videos

A vow to cherish.
1 videocassette or DVD (82 min.)
Based on the book by Deborah Raney, this made-for-television program explores the struggles between faith and marital commitment through a couple affected by Alzheimer's disease.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 VC no.606 1999

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's: an emotional journey.
Brester, MA: Paraclete Video Productions, 2012
Three experts, Mary Ellen Geist, Kenneth Doka, and Joanne Koenig Coste discuss grieving and losses in their lives and yours, what it feels like when your love no longer helps, feelings of failure and guilt, handling frustration and anger, caring for yourself, and courage and sacrifice in Alzheimer caregiving.
1 DVD (50 min.)
Green-Field Library Call No: on order
Spirituality – shared hope in the world of dementia.
1 videocassette (175 min.)
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4435 VC no.970 2001

You’re not alone: coping with the death of a spouse.
1 videocassette (38 min.)
Green-Field Library Call No.: BF 575 VC no 888 1996

Web Resources

Alzheimer's and spirituality.
A professor and his students interview families of persons with Alzheimer's to study the relationship between dementia and spirituality. Notable are the findings about receiving communion and the regression in age to a child-like faith.

Spiritual caregiving. Gaining release: healing hands and labyrinths.
Guarneri, M.; King, R.
http://www.caregivershome.com/Spiritual/spiritual.cfm

Spiritual traditions and aging.

Alzheimer's disease: spirituality can be comforting
A Web page highlighting the significance of rituals, caring for the caregiver, and the forms of spirituality.
http://www.riversideonline.com/health_reference/Alzheimers/AZ00024.cfm

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Gwyther, L. *You are one of us: successful clergy/church connections to Alzheimer's families.* Durham, NC: Duke University Medical Center, 1995. Green-Field Library Call No.: WM 220 G995y 1995

Hobilitzelle, OA. *Ten thousand joys & ten thousand sorrows: a couple’s journey through Alzheimer's.* Los Angeles, CA: Tarcher, 2010 Green-Field Library does not own

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McFadden, SH.; Brennan, M; Patrick, JH. (eds.). *New directions in the study of late life religiousness and spirituality.*
Green-Field Library does not own.

Manson, D. *Book of worship: hymns, liturgies, psalms.*
Dubuque, IA: Luther Manor, 1993.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4580 L37 1993

Manson, D. *Large print book of worship II: hymns, liturgies, psalms, bible stories.*
Dubuque, IA: Luther Manor, 1997.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4580 L322 1997

McKim, D. *God never forgets: faith, hope, and Alzheimer's disease.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 M216 1997

Otwell, P. *Guide to ministering to Alzheimer's patients and their families.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4335 O92g 2008

Roberts, JD. *Caring for those with Alzheimer's: a pastoral approach.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: B 4910.9 R63 1991

Robinson, S. *Spirituality, ethics and care.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625 R664 2007

Shamy, E. *Guide to the spiritual dimension of care for people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia: more than body, brain, and breath.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BL 625.9 S53 2003

Trevitt, C. *Finding meaning in the experience of dementia.*
Green-Field Library does not own
VandeCreek, L. *Spiritual care for persons with dementia: fundamentals for pastoral practice.*
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 4435.5 S65 1999

**Video**

*Pastoral care for the Alzheimer victim and family caregiver.*
2 videocassettes (52 min.)
Based on the premise that Alzheimer's devastates the mind but not the soul, this program is a guide for ministers and members of church congregations who advise and care for people with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.
Green-Field Library Call No.: BV 435 VC no.751 1-2

**Web Resources**

*Alzheimer's and spirituality.*
A professor and his students study changes in the spiritual experience of persons with dementia, including the opportunity to take communion.

*Education links on faith & health - Duke Center for Spirituality Theology and Health.*
Durham, NC: Duke University.
[http://www.dukespiritualityandhealth.org/education/other-links.html](http://www.dukespiritualityandhealth.org/education/other-links.html)

*49 ways to provide spiritual care when there is no chaplain.*
Koepke, D.
[http://www.spiritualityandaging.org](http://www.spiritualityandaging.org)

*Healthcare professional: licensed professional pastors.*
This web page contains a handout on pastoral care and dementia and *Just the Facts for Pastors.*
[http://www.alzbrain.org/health_care_professional.cgi?pg=lp_paste](http://www.alzbrain.org/health_care_professional.cgi?pg=lp_paste)

*Outreach to faith communities kit.*
Kensington, MD: National Family Caregiver's Association, [?].
Three downloadable faith services (Interfaith, Lutheran, and Catholic) to use for worship with caregivers.
[http://65.36.182.14/national_family_caregiver_month/guide.cfm](http://65.36.182.14/national_family_caregiver_month/guide.cfm)
Providing a pastoral, caring ministry to people suffering from Alzheimer's disease.
Hager, J.W.
Prepresents a theological basis for the spiritual care of persons with Alzheimer's, and practical advice on conducting home visits and worship services by stages of the disease.

Reaching out to the spiritual nature of persons with dementia.
Waco, TX: Department of Gerontology, Baylor University, 2008.
A paper presented at the 2008 annual meeting of National Council on Aging and The American Society on Aging. Includes recommended order of worship, scripture and hymns for Protestant congregations, and a link to a worship bulletin provided for an interfaith service for persons with Alzheimer's disease and their families.
http://www.baylor.edu/content/services/document.php/60623.pdf

Worship and people with dementia.
Derby, UK: Methodist Homes for the Aged
http://www.mha.org.uk

Worship for people with dementia
Glasgow, Scotland: Iona Community
Leveson.org is a foundation based on a philosophy to care for older people within a Christian context.
http://www.leveson.org.uk

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