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BOOK REVIEW

## SEND ME: STORIES OF ORDINARY PEOPLE PLANTING NEW CHURCHES

## John McGinley (CCX)

At Pentecost we are reminded in the book of Acts of the birth of the Church. Send Me, compiled by John McGinley, is a collection of stories of the birth of 16 new worshipping communities across the British Isles: from Guernsey to Sunderland, and from Weston-super-Mare to the east in Suffolk.

Within these pages, like Acts, we read of faith-filled and God-inspired people, lay and ordained, who start new congregations where they are. They do so in many imaginative and creative ways, reflecting the character of the God they worship.

No two worshipping communities are the same, and all of them creatively respond to the community that they serve, whether affluent or poor. One of the things that I most appreciated about this book was the picture of the church planter at the beginning of their story. It helped me hear their voice throughout their chapter.

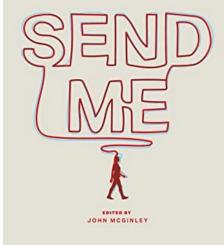
Send Me is a really encouraging short book, which brings glory to God but also helps us to think outside the 'planting' box. It opens up the possibility of church planting to people who may not think of themselves as potential planters.

God is on the move and maybe by reading this book God might call you, or someone you're connected to, to do something new to make Jesus known in your area.

Review by Jo McKee



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Take a look at <u>Myriad</u> for further resources and ideas on lay church planting.