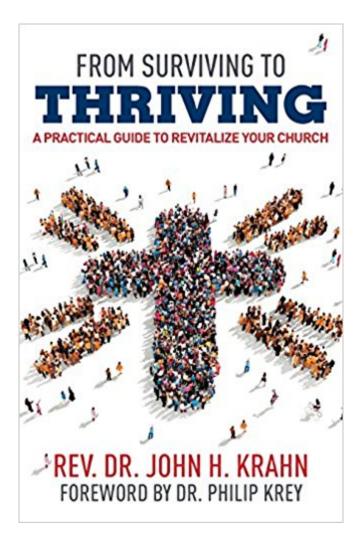


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# From Surviving To Thriving: A Practical Guide To Revitalize Your Church





### Synopsis

For years, Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn has been a successful interim pastor whom God has used to save many dying churches. He shares his proven methods for helping churches which are barely surviving to once again thrive. Whether your church is on life support or is doing guite well, From Surviving to Thriving -- A Practical Guide to Revitalize Your Church is a hands-on approach that will assist you and your church greatly. Pastor Krahn has done what he recommends and seen the results of intentional missional ministry in more than one context. Overflowing with good stories and examples of excellent ministry, his comprehensive approach includes getting the church's financial house in order, practicing good stewardship, developing a strategic plan and vision, marketing the church in new and old ways, and developing an evangelism program. Here is a book by a veteran pastor who knows how to revitalize a congregation that is long on hope and short on excuses. Some chapters included Stop Making Excuses and Start Doing Something Get Your Church's Financial House in Order Reclaim Your Inactive Members Reach the Unchurched in Your Community Remove the Roadblocks That Impede Thriving Rev Dr. John H. Krahn has been in the pastoral ministry for forty-eight years. He was pastor of the largest Lutheran church in New York for twelve years with a staff of fifty people. Dr. Krahn earned his Master of Divinity degree from Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, Missouri), his Masters in Education and Theological Studies from Union Theological Seminary, his Masters in Curriculum and Teaching from Columbia University, and his Doctor of Ministry from New York Theological Seminary (New York, New York). Krahn is a professional fund raiser, served as interim pastor at five floundering Lutheran churches, and continues to work as a paid church consultant. He is the go-to-guy in his synod to turn around dying churches, and sometimes refers to himself as the "pastor of lost causes." A much sought after speaker, in 2016, he will be conducting seminars throughout the church on the subject matter contained in this book. He has been married for forty-nine years, and has two daughters and three grandchildren.

## **Book Information**

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This is not just theory. It adds actual application with good and bad results plus examples of anticipated and unanticipated consequences. If you read past the "protestant church" specifics, most of the suggestions work for any organization with the same sort of problems. I have already used one or two ideas in my club, and they work!!

Pastor Kahn may be restating what you've heard before, but it's all in one place and shows how turning a church around is possible. Hint it isn't all about the pastor. Best take away for me was the final prayer, wherein I am reminded to ask God what I can do for him today?

It had some very practical ideas to try.

Loved it! Passed it on! We will use its action thoughts!

Great book, great ideas. Worth reading for struggling congregations.

A helpful guide to revitalizing a Church from one who has clearly done it. Requires more change than some will be willing to make.

Great Practical Guide with easy to follow suggestions. Should be a real help to our congregation if they agree to follow the plan.

A hard, but common sense approach to 'saving' a financially struggling house of worship.

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