Suggested Reading for Emerging Leaders

1. Books on the character of a leader

A Work of Heart: Understanding How God Shapes Spiritual Leaders-Reggie McNeal

In The Name of Jesus: Reflections on Spiritual Leadership-Henry Nowen Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda-Henry & Richard Blackaby

Spiritual Leadership: Principles of Excellence for Every Believer-J. Oswald Sanders To Be Told: God Invites You to Co-author Your Future-Dan Allender The Making of a Leader: Recognizing the Lessons and Stages of Leadership Development-Robert Clinton Leadership as an Identity-Crawford Loritts, Jr.

2. Books on the missional/theological thinking of a leader

The Cross and Christian Ministry: Leadership Lessons from 1 Corinthians-D.A. Carson

The Forgotten Ways: Reactivating the Missional Church-Alan Hirsch Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine-Wayne Grudem Organic Church: Growing Faith Where Life Happens-Neil Cole Basic Christianity-John Stott

3. Books on leading others

Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda-Henry & Richard Blackaby

The Ascent of a Leader-Thrall, McNicol, and McElrath (this book could fit under character or leading others-because it emphasizes becoming the person that others want to follow)

The Performance Factor: Unlocking the Secrets of Teamwork-Pat MacMillan (I cringe at some of the terminology-but there are good principles here)

4. Books on managing yourself as a leader

Practicing Greatness: 7 Disciplines of Extraordinary Spiritual Leaders-Reggie McNeal

Courageous Leadership-Bill Hybels

How to Lead and Still Have a Life: The 8 Principles of Less is More Leadership-Dale Burke

Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership-Ruth Barton