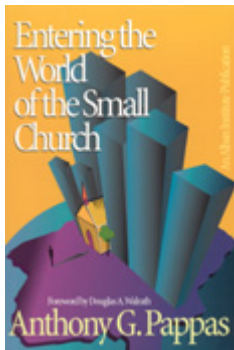


# Entering the World of the Small Church, Revised and Expanded Edition

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