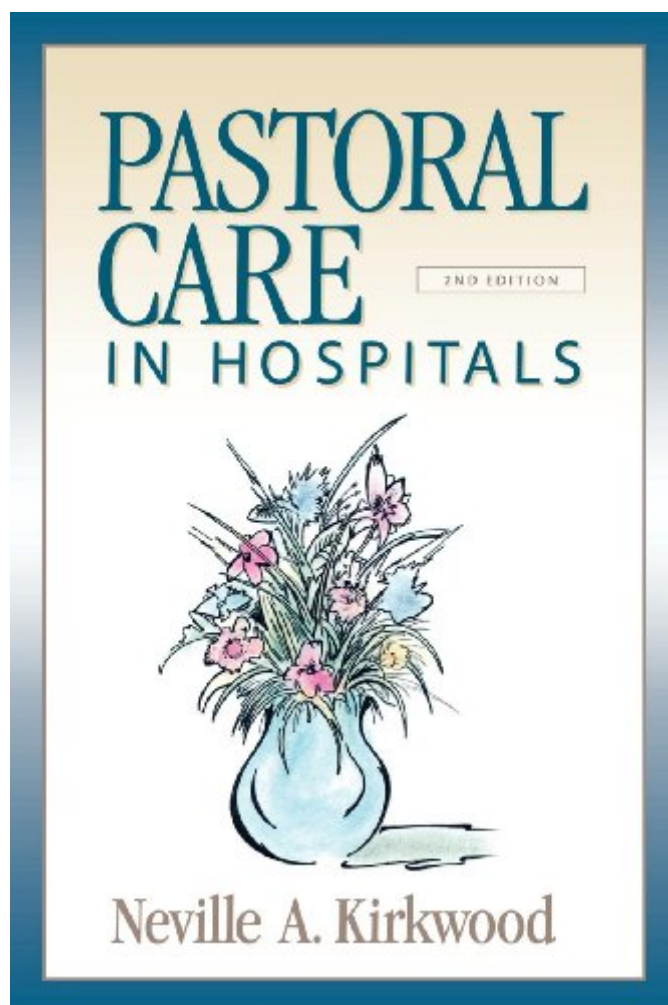


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# Pastoral Care In Hospitals



## Synopsis

An essential handbook for bedside ministry, and for providing meaningful and enriching comfort to the sick and dying. Bringing comfort and concern to the seriously ill or injured is a challenge for lay people and clergy alike. In this practical guide, Neville Kirkwood shares wisdom gained from years of experience as a hospital chaplain on the art of hospital visitation. This classic handbook, now updated, contains all the tools needed to address a variety of concerns:

- Considering the privacy of the patient, and of friends and relatives
- Realizing the time and place for prayer
- Avoiding the pitfalls of bedside ministry
- Imparting feelings of empathy and awareness
- Handling depression, suffering, and despair
- Understanding the non-verbal communications of the patient
- Accepting when your services are not welcome
- Acknowledging your own motivations

Featuring additional sections addressed to clergy and trained lay pastoral workers, as well as those designed for lay volunteers, as well as a variety of exercises and prayers for specific circumstances, this is a "must-have resource for all who work with the sick and dying" (South Dakota Church News).

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Comprehensive and easy to follow. Provides good solid guidance on conducting yourself as a chaplain or caregiver within the hospital setting. This book was recommended to me when I applied to be a volunteer chaplain at one of the local hospitals. It provides guidance on how to deal with people of all faiths and those who do not believe in any religion.

I am in training to become a certified Hospital Chaplain. Because of the title I thought it would give me insights and ways others have properly deal with sensitive issues. However there was little I found instructive.

Great book, would have been good to have this information much earlier in my career. Would be a benefit to anyone who is, or has the desire, to minister in the hospital.

highly recommend for anyone in spiritual care

I received the book in excellent condition

Great book for chaplains. Well written.

Book was recommended to Associate Pastor. She liked the book since she visits the sick in a number of settings often.

I had already borrowed this book and thought it was a great guide to pastoral care in hospitals. I decided I wanted my own copy.

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