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This most recent LifeGuide, *Grandparenting*, is written by Le Peau and his wife, Phyllis. Together they have spent over four decades on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and IVP. They are parents to four grown children and grandparents to thirteen grandchildren. Through this study they hope to guide readers in how to be a loving and caring presence in the lives of not only their grandchildren but also their adult children as they parent.

"We used to ask ourselves how to parent well; now we ask how we grandparent well," write the Le Peaus. "To get answers we ask advice from those who have been grandparents longer than we have. We pray and ask the Lord for guidance. We take time to discuss and reason things through. And, of course, we look to Scripture for help and guidance. That is what this guide can help you with. Gathering to study as a group of grandparents can make available the wisdom of those who have had more or different experiences.

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