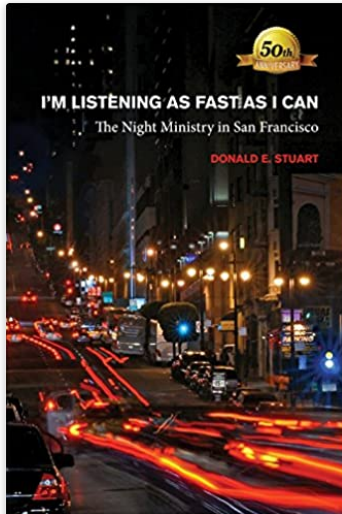


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I'm Listening As Fast As I Can: The Night Ministry in San Francisco, 50th Anniversary Edition

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About the Author

The Rev. Donald E. Stuart, founder of the Night Ministry in San Francisco and its director from 1964 to 1976, was called by the ecumenical Council of Churches to explore a new ministry to a growing number of night people in San Francisco. Stuart left his position as pastor of the United Church of Christ in Lincoln, Nebraska and moved to San Francisco to minister to teenage runaways, homeless families, transients, hustlers, alcoholics, prostitutes, drug addicts, and gay refugees. He died on March 5, 2014, at 91.

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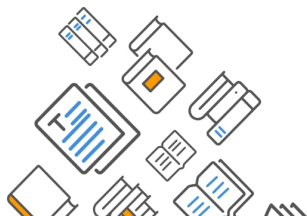
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