

Futurist's 2012 AI Warning Proven True — Updated Edition of 'Gadgets to God' Now Published

David Wortley's predictions on AI, social media addiction, and algorithmic manipulation republished as paperback and Kindle on Amazon

LITTLEHAMPTON, ENGLAND, WEST SUSSEX, UNITED KINGDOM, August 13, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- An updated paperback edition of "Gadgets to God — Reflections on our Changing Relationship with Technology" by David Wortley is now available on Amazon, bringing back into print a 2012 book whose warnings about artificial intelligence, social media addiction, and algorithmic manipulation have proven strikingly accurate in the years since.

First published in 2012 by Troubador Publishing, the book traces humanity's relationship with technology from steam engines to virtual worlds, social media, and AI. Its central warning — that we have drifted from humans using machines to machines using humans, a shift Wortley describes as the "boiling frog" effect — anticipated many of the concerns now dominating public conversation about AI, digital dependence, and the erosion of human agency.

"In 2011, when I wrote 'Gadgets to God,' I could see where the river was flowing — the slow drift from humans using machines to machines using humans," said David Wortley. "Fifteen years on, I'm watching it happen in real time, and honestly, it's uncomfortable to be proved right. That's why I'm putting this updated edition out now: not to say 'I told you so,' but because the conversation we should have had a decade ago is the conversation we urgently need today. The technology isn't the problem. Forgetting that we're the ones meant to be holding the wheel is."



The updated paperback is published via Amazon KDP and is available alongside the existing Kindle ebook edition. A self-narrated audiobook, produced by Wortley through ACX (Audible/Amazon), is currently in production.

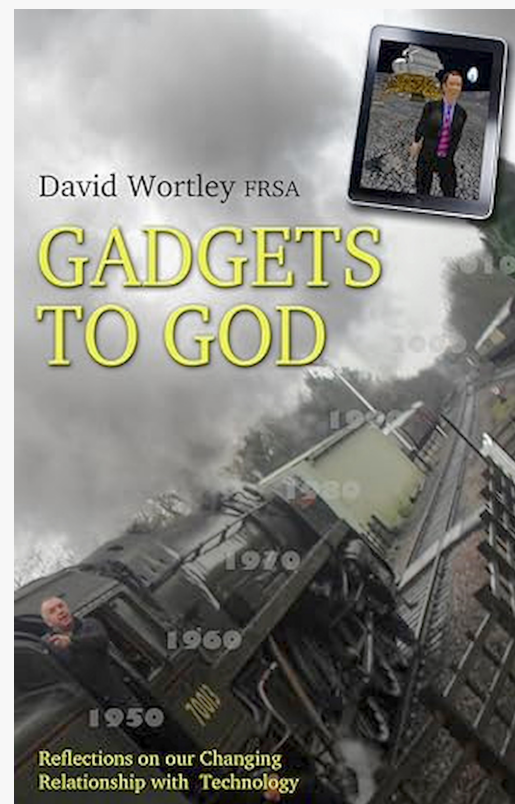
Wortley, 77, draws on more than fifty years of lived experience spanning wearable health technologies, digital twins, AI, and lifestyle medicine. A Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA), Visiting Researcher at Bournemouth University, and Project Supervisor at UCL's Global Business School for Health, he has spoken to audiences across six continents. He is Vice President of the International Society of Digital Medicine, Director of the IORMA Futures Health & Wellbeing Technology Centre, Non-Executive Director of WLMES, and CEO & Founder of 360in360 Immersive Experiences. At 77, he remains in exceptional health with no medication — a living embodiment of his thesis that technology and humanity can coexist when the relationship is consciously managed.

"Gadgets to God" is aimed at general readers, policymakers, technologists, and anyone seeking a longer-view perspective on the present AI moment — written in an accessible, first-person voice that blends personal experience with reflection on where the human-technology relationship is heading.

The updated paperback is available at: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0HF3J7Q9G>



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