

# 1. Introduction

The leadership (or other group) of \_\_\_\_\_ United Methodist Church is asking for your help in assessing the ability of our church to meet your spiritual needs. The Church is developing a vision for the future and we would like to understand how you evaluate your church life, the programs currently in place, and where you would like the church to go in the next 3 years.

Please take a few moments to answer the following questions. The whole survey should take under 10 minutes to finish. After completing the questionnaire, please return it by mail in the envelope provided by \_\_\_\_\_ (date). You may also place it in the box in the foyer marked "Survey".

We would like everyone 13 or older to be involved in this process. Since all information is to be anonymous, please do not write your name on the survey or the envelope. If your family needs additional copies, contact the Church Secretary. If you would prefer to answer over the Internet, you can access the study at \_\_\_\_\_ (link for web survey).

\* 1. How long have you been a member of this church?

Not a member

Less than 1 year

1 to 5 years

6 to 10 years

more than 10 years

\* 2. During the previous four weeks, how often have you attended worship services at this church?

Did not attend worship services in the previous four weeks

1 time

2 times

3 times

4 times

\* 3. During the previous four weeks, how often have you attended church school classes at this church?

Did not attend church school at this church in the previous four weeks

1 time

2 times

3 times

4 times



### 3. Recommendations

\* 1. How likely are you to recommend this church to:

	Definitely would not	Probably would not	Might or might not	Probably would	Definitely would
Families with children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Single or divorced adults	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Married couples	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adults 65 or older	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unchurch adults	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. If you would hesitate to recommend this church to any group, please tell us why.

\* 3. If you remain in this community, how likely are you to continue attending this church?

Definitely will continue

Probably will continue

Might or might not continue

Probably will not continue

Definitely will not continue

\* 4. Do you feel that your spiritual life is stronger now than it was 2 years ago?

Much stronger

Somewhat stronger

About the same

Not as strong

5. How could the church better serve your spiritual needs?

## 4. Church direction

\* 1. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Disagree strongly	Disagree somewhat	Neutral	Agree somewhat	Agree strongly
Worship here is an exciting spiritual experience	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Visitors find our church to be welcoming	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
I like the direction of this church	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
There are too many cliques in this church	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
The church values my participation	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
This church helps me grow in my faith journey	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
The church reaches out to people with different backgrounds	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
The church should try to attract people who are similar to me	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
The church reaches out to young adults	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn

\* 2. In your opinion, should the church be putting less, the same or more emphasis on:

	Much less	Somewhat less	About the same	Somewhat more	Much more
Evangelism	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Youth ministry	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Older adults	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Families with children	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Caring for the poor	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Leadership development	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Scriptural interpretation	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn
Global health	jn	jn	jn	jn	jn

## 5. We're almost finished!

\* 1. In the past 6 months, have you invited any friends, neighbors, or newcomers to visit the church?

Yes

No

2. If you have not invited a friend, neighbor or newcomer to church, why?

3. What do you think would make the church more attractive to newcomers and others in the community as their spiritual home?

\* 4. Would you be willing to change the church's worship or music ministries if it attracted new people to the church?

Definitely would not be willing

Probably would not be willing

Might or might not be willing

Probably would be willing

Definitely would be willing

\* 5. Would you like the church to become smaller, stay the same size or become larger?

Become smaller

Stay the same size

Become somewhat larger

Become much larger

## 6. Demographics

The following questions are for classification purposes only.

1. Please indicate your gender.

Female

Male

Prefer not to specify

2. To which age group do you belong?

13 to 17

18 to 24

25 to 34

35 to 44

45 to 64

65 to 74

75 or older

Prefer not to specify

3. Do you have children living at home?

Yes

No

4. To which ethnic group do you belong?

African American

Asian

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Hispanic/Latino

Non-Hispanic White

Native American

Mixed

Other (please specify)