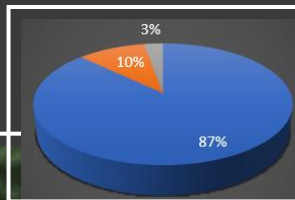


THE NAZ Spiritual Temperature Survey 2025



Executive Summary

In December, a Spiritual Temperature Survey was conducted to measure the collective spiritual state of The Naz church family in Fergus Falls. In total, 191 people participated in the survey, which had 30 statements and questions that reflected the aims of the [Naz Discipleship model](#). Statements were scaled from 1 (Strongly Disagree) to 5 (Strongly Agree). Findings from the survey are intended to be used for future Sunday sermons, Naz ministry plans, and discipleship opportunities so that we at The Naz can ultimately *Reach People, Raise Disciples, and Redeem Culture* for Jesus Christ (Matthew 16:18).

The **Believe** category scored highest overall in the survey, which had statements pertaining to the Bible and Jesus: who He is, what He has done for us, and that He is the only way to God. How do we continue to make this a strength at The Naz? Read God's Word! Over 200 people have made public commitment to reading the Bible in 2026! We will also continue to promote Bible reading, offering Bibles and reading plans to those interested (2 Timothy 3:16-17) throughout the year. Bible study will also remain a key component for future sessions of Deeper discipleship as well as classes that help people explore foundational elements of Christianity.

Pray also scored high, indicating that those who took the survey agree that prayer is impactful for themselves and for others. They regularly pray alone, with others, and for others. They also pray prayers of thanksgiving, confession, and requests to God. The Naz will continue to highlight the priority and intensity of prayer in the life of a disciple of Jesus Christ and communicate opportunities to pray with and for (Philippians 4:6).

Share was the lowest overall scoring category of the survey and had the second highest variability in answers. The lowest scoring statements in Share were "I share my faith regularly with non-believers" and "I invite my non-believing friends to Sunday service or other events at the church." These statements also had elevated variability, possibly indicating that some are sharing and inviting at least some of the time and some not at all. The Naz will continue to focus on "equipping the saints" (Eph. 4:13) for ministry through actions that include Sunday messages, Deeper classes, and small group development so that disciples at The Naz are better prepared to share and defend their faith in Jesus Christ (Mark 5:19-20).

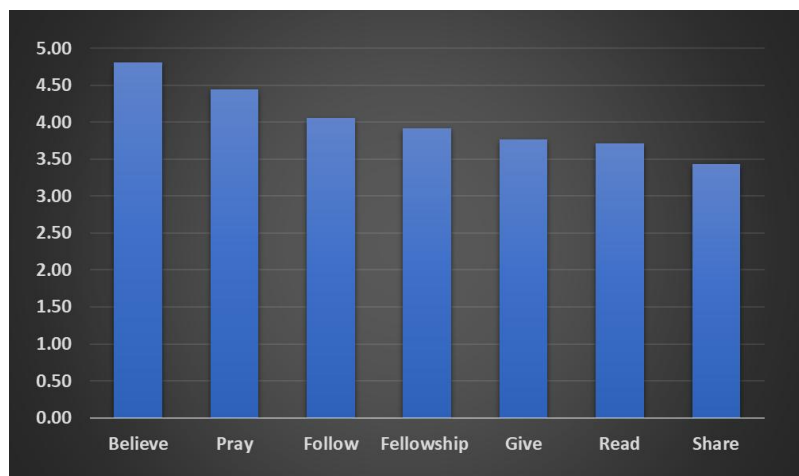
Give had the highest overall variability of all the categories. The statement “I volunteer my time to serve in the church on a regular basis” scored low but also had highest variability of any statement in the survey. This could indicate that some are serving in the church quite frequently and some have yet to find a place to serve. Several sermon messages have addressed this topic last summer and Fall ([Made for This](#)). A Generosity class was conducted in the Fall as well of which 20 people attended. The Naz will continue to highlight and provide opportunities for people serve and give of their God-given time, treasures, and talents.

A huge thank you to everyone who was able to participate in the survey! We intend to conduct another survey late Fall of 2026.

Please contact Josh Fritz at josh.fritz@fnaz.org with any questions you may have about the survey or discipleship at The Naz.

Results Summary

Overall			
Discipleship Category	Mean	Median	Standard Deviation
Read	3.71	4.00	1.06
Pray	4.44	4.80	0.86
Fellowship	3.92	4.00	0.96
Give	3.77	4.00	1.12
Share	3.44	3.40	1.09
Believe	4.81	5.00	0.57
Follow	4.06	4.50	0.89



Scoring (Average)

- **Highest Scoring Categories**
 - Believe (4.81/5.0)
 - Pray (4.44/5.0)
- **Lowest Scoring Categories**
 - Share (3.44/5.0)
 - Read (3.71/5.0)
- **Highest Scoring Statements**
 - “I believe that Jesus is God's only Son, that He physically died for my sins and was physically raised from the dead, and is the only way for me to be saved.” (4.94)
 - “I believe the Bible is true and comes from God.” (4.92)
- **Lowest Scoring Statements**
 - “I share my faith with non-believers regularly.” (2.95)
 - “I invite my non-believing friends to Sunday service or other events at the church.” (3.01)

Variability (Standard Deviation)

- **Categories with Lowest Variability**
 - Pray (0.86 Std Dev)
 - Follow (0.89 Std Dev)
- **Categories with Highest Variability**
 - Give (1.12 Std Dev)
 - Share (1.09 Std Dev)

Appendix

Discipleship Category	Male		Female		Married		Unmarried	
	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation
Read	3.7	1.11	3.7	1.04	3.7	1.06	3.6	1.05
Pray	4.2	0.99	4.4	0.83	4.4	0.82	4.1	1.10
Fellowship	3.9	1.04	3.9	0.91	3.9	0.97	3.9	0.92
Give	3.8	1.19	3.7	1.09	3.8	1.10	3.5	1.16
Share	3.4	1.11	3.4	1.10	3.4	1.10	3.5	1.12
Believe	4.8	0.67	4.8	0.53	4.9	0.36	4.6	1.00
Follow	4.0	0.99	4.1	0.84	4.1	0.87	3.9	1.01

Discipleship Category	≤18 yrs old		19-29 yrs old		30-39 yrs old		40-49 yrs old		50-59 yrs old		≥60 yrs old	
	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation
Read	4.1	0.72	3.7	1.10	3.4	0.94	3.5	1.07	3.6	0.97	3.9	1.15
Pray	4.2	0.68	4.3	0.85	4.1	1.02	4.3	0.83	4.3	0.88	4.3	1.11
Fellowship	4.0	0.72	4.1	0.84	3.9	1.08	3.7	0.86	3.7	1.00	4.1	0.93
Give	3.5	0.77	3.5	1.35	3.5	1.20	3.7	1.01	3.7	1.00	3.9	1.12
Share	3.7	0.99	3.4	1.20	3.6	1.13	3.2	1.03	3.2	1.15	3.5	1.06
Believe	4.9	0.27	4.9	0.35	4.8	0.53	4.8	0.39	4.9	0.28	4.6	1.10
Follow	4.1	0.86	4.1	0.87	3.9	1.01	3.8	0.89	4.1	0.74	4.1	1.05

Church Attendance

Discipleship Category	In Person		Split		Online		Staff	
	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation	Mean	Standard Deviation
Read	3.7	1.05	3.5	1.09	3.9	1.27	4.2	0.78
Pray	4.3	0.87	4.3	0.76	3.9	1.68	4.6	0.56
Fellowship	3.9	0.90	3.5	1.22	3.8	1.18	4.7	0.54
Give	3.8	1.10	3.3	1.08	3.3	1.58	4.4	0.64
Share	3.4	1.09	3.4	1.16	3.3	1.19	3.5	0.89
Believe	4.8	0.51	4.8	0.44	4.0	1.73	5.0	0.13
Follow	4.1	0.88	4.0	0.84	3.7	1.46	4.1	0.67

