



## Congregation Participant Short Survey

This short survey is designed to help congregational leaders understand participant perceptions of key missional areas. Please mark inside the box that best represents your perception of the congregation. *Please do not mark between boxes. (e.g. Marking 1,2,3,4, or 5 is okay. Marking between 3 and 4 or 3.5 is not okay)*

	Poorly		Some-what		Great
How well do these phrases describe your congregation?	1	2	3	4	5
<i>Example</i>			X		
Worship nurtures people's faith					
Deepens people's relationship with God					
A clear sense mission					
Excitement about the congregation's future					
Always ready to try something new					
A positive force in the community					
Works for social justice/advocacy					
How well does your congregation...	Hardly at all		Well		Very Well
Incorporate new members into congregational life					
Seek out and use the gifts of members of all ages					
Build strong, healthy relationships among members					
Manage disagreements in a healthy respectful manner					
Address social concerns (helping those in need)					
Equip members to share their faith with others					
Interact with the local community					
Help members live out their faith in daily lives					

### Demographic Information: Tell us about yourself.

Your role in the congregation:  Active participant  Lay leader  Rostered leader called here  Visitor

Your age:  under 18  18-24  25-34  35-44  45-54  55-64  65-74  75+

Your ethnicity:  White/Caucasian  African American  African National  Amer. Indian/Alaska Native  
 Asian  Latino/Hispanic  Arab/Middle Eastern  Multiracial  Other

After collecting the completed surveys, the congregation's survey administrator can then enter the information at [www.congregationalvitalitysurvey.com](http://www.congregationalvitalitysurvey.com). Results of this survey will be presented as a PDF report which may be used to complete the new congregational life items on the Annual (parochial) report.

## Sustainability

Congregations need resources to sustain ministry. The two primary resources include money (to pay staff, fund ministries and maintain facilities) and people power (to engage in ministries). Use the following questions to estimate your sustainability.

	Declined to not sustainable	Declining but still sustainable	Maintaining	Growing or Increasing	Copy number
Do you have what you need to maintain or expand ministry?	1	2	3	4	
<b>People Power</b> Enough people with energy to lead and participate in worship & ministries					
<b>Financial Resources</b> To pay for facility, staffing, ministries, etc.					
<b>Sustainability Score : (Write the lowest number here)</b>					

Since both people and financial resources are necessary for sustainability, the lower number represents the "weakest link" in your congregation's sustainability chain.