Appendix

**Questionnaire**

*There is to be no judgment here,* but please put a tick in all the boxes that apply for **the church** you attend for the following commitments:

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| We practice hospitality and generosity |  | A |  | We care for creation and all God's gifts. |  | C |
| We live in a way that draws people to Jesus. |  | B |  | We notice God in Scripture, and the world. |  | D |
| We challenge injustice. |  | C |  | We care for ourselves and those around us. |  | A |
| We worship with others regularly. |  | D |  | We tell of the love of God. |  | B |
| We learn more about our faith. |  | A |  | We help people in our community and beyond. |  | C |
| We share our faith through community events. |  | B |  | We pray daily. |  | D |

Which letter A/B/C/D do you have the most off \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / least of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*There is to be no judgment here,* but please put a tick in the box that best represents **you.**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | Being an open hearted, warm person who gives and receives |  |  | 7 | Championing justice, be that local, national, or international |  |
| 2 | Being kind to people, and receiving their kindness |  |  | 8 | Being willing to help and receive help |  |
| 3 | Discovers new things through reading, courses and people. |  |  | 9 | Doing what you can to protect the environment and people |  |
| 4 | Being authentic, revealing the image of God in you |  |  | 10 | Aware of the presence of God and open to transformation |  |
| 5 | Evangelising through Good News conversations. |  |  | 11 | Cultivates prayer to be a continuous state of awareness |  |
| 6 | Evangelising though creativity, social media and similar ways |  |  | 12 | Recognises God’s revelation in nature, culture, and the Bible |  |

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Results (as per Our Calling)

Mostly A’s Learning & Caring Mostly B’s Evangelism Mostly C’s Service Mostly D’s Worship

Results (as per A Methodist way of Life)

1 Open, 4 Live 7 Challenge 10 Worship

2 Care 5 Tell 8 Serve 11 Pray

3 Learn 6 Share 9 Flourish 12 Notice

Church survey sample

**We are aware that much has changed over the last few years, both within the church and our community.**

As Good and Godly neighbours we want to ensure that ......................................... Methodist Church is not only providing what you need (in worship and services) but also in helping the wider ....................... Community. What we are doing well, and things we could look to add, improve or adapt.

We have created this short survey of 8 questions to be filled in anonymously and placed in the offertory boxes during the next few weeks, or if you wish to speak further about your responses, please contact Rev ............... or ............ as Church Senior Steward.

1. How long have you attended this church? ­­­­\_\_\_\_\_ years

2. Are you on the Membership Roll? Yes / No / Unsure

3. How often do you attend worship at ................................. Methodist Church? (Please circle)

Weekly Several times a month Once a month Special events Holidays

4. What influenced you to start attending this church? Please circle all that apply.

Nearest church Warm fellowship Preaching Style of worship

My friends were here I grew up at this church Minister's visit

Community activities Literature from the church Visit from a church member

Invitation from a friend or neighbour Through a Baptism / Wedding / Funeral service

Other (please give details)

***In the following questions please be as honest as you can***

5. How would you describe the following activities at .................................. Methodist Church

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | *Excellent* | | *Good* | | *Average* | | *Poor* | | *Any Comment* | |
| *Worship* |  |  | |  | |  | |  | |
| *Learning / Small Groups* |  |  | |  | |  | |  | |
| *Pastoral Care* |  |  | |  | |  | |  | |
| *Community Engagement* |  |  | |  | |  | |  | |
| *Faith Sharing* |  |  | |  | |  | |  | |

6. What do you like best about this church?

7. What do you think is the greatest need or weakness of this church?

8. How could the presence of this church be developed within the wider ................................community?

Thank you for taking to time to complete this form

Community survey sample

***....................... Methodist Church***

*seeks to be a good and Godly neighbour to the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ area and surrounding community.*

*We are therefore seeking your suggestions, thoughts and comments so that together we can learn more about how we as Christ’s disciples can help provide resources to meet the current and future needs of the community.*

**What do you think are the most important issues for this area?**

*Please circle as many options from the multiple choice below.*

1. Providing facilities for Families / Young Children
2. Providing facilities for Teenagers / Young Adults
3. Establishing a Community Spirit / Community Focal Point
4. Developing Community Space
5. Local Employment opportunities
6. Preventing Crime/ Anti-social Behaviour

Any Others (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**How could the church offer help to you/your family in regards to the above?**

**What role do you feel the churches plays in the wider community and how would you like this to be developed within .................?**

**What interests / hobbies /groups do you hope to develop/explore or find within this new community (and if none why?)**

Name (Please Print)

Best Contact for follow up

/Invitation to community events

Data Protection disclaimer: Personal data will only be kept and used in conjunction with the church’s community work at............................... It will not be shared with third parties

Thank you for your time.

**Invitation to complete ....................... Methodist Church Community Survey**

**We are aware that much has changed over the last few years, both within the church and our community.**

As Good and Godly neighbours we want to ensure that ...................... Methodist Church is not only providing what its members need in connection to worship and services but is also helping to serve the wider .................... Community.

To that end we have created a survey that consists of 8 short questions – this can be filled in anonymously online at by visiting http://

Our thanks in advance for taking the time to complete our survey

Online Community Survey questions

1. What is your age?
2. What made you come to live on the .................................... area
3. What do you normally do on a Sunday morning?
4. What words would you use to describe your experience of church?
5. What would make church more appealing to you? eg. services at different times/days etc
6. Have you ever visited ......................................... Methodist Church

Yes/No

1. What do you think is the greatest need or weakness of the ............................area
2. How could ................... Methodist Church help in answer to the last question?

Thank you for taking to time to complete this form

**Fruitfulness markers, core practices and review questions** – taken from Chapter 12 of the New Places New People: A practical guide

As you begin to see signs of new growth it is recommended to spend year one focusing on the first three markers and core practices as these will help to create the best ground for the future work to which the other markers relate.

Quantitative (hard metrics), Qualitative (soft metrics), and Narrative (stories) help measure and provide a framework to assess and celebrate the fruitfulness of NPNPs while guiding future growth.

1. **Vision**

Marker: A clear and focused vision for reaching a specific group or context.

Core Practice: Clarifying and communicating the vision effectively.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Number of people reached and clarity of the target context.

Soft: Effectiveness in communicating the vision.

Story: Narratives about how the vision has been clarified or shared.

**2. Contextually Relevant**

Marker: A community that arises from listening to and connecting with the wider community.

Core Practice: Building relationships and teams that reflect the local context.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Number of one-to-ones, community events joined, and partnerships established.

Soft: Patterns observed in community engagement and listening.

Story: Accounts of meaningful connections and insights from the local context.

**3. Gathered Community**

Marker: Regular gatherings that foster new patterns of worship and community engagement.

Core Practice: Establishing rhythms for team meetings and worship.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Frequency of gatherings, activities held, and participants engaged.

Soft: Diversity, inclusivity, and relational health of the community.

Story: Experiences of building relationships, shaping worship, or outreach events.

**For information:**

**4. New People**

Marker: People coming to faith, including baptisms, confirmations, and membership.

Core Practice: Encouraging testimony and creating pathways for faith exploration.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Number of new attendees, baptisms, and people exploring faith.

Soft: Development of an invitational culture and signs of God at work.

Story: Testimonies of individuals coming to faith.

**5. Deepening Discipleship**

Marker: New believers growing into mature disciples.

Core Practice: Creating discipleship pathways and supporting faith exploration.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Number of small groups, Bible studies, and prayer initiatives.

Soft: Effectiveness of discipleship programs and transformation in lives.

Story: Personal accounts of spiritual growth and discipleship experiences.

**6. Social Justice**

Marker: Contribution to social transformation through justice and service.

Core Practice: Listening to and amplifying marginalized voices and offering acts of service.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Acts of service offered, partnerships formed, and transformations observed.

Soft: Impact of justice work and engagement with marginalized groups.

Story: Testimonies of community transformation and justice initiatives.

**7. Connection to the Wider Church**

Marker: Mutual accountability with the Methodist Church and inspiring others to start NPNPs.

Core Practice: Sharing learning and contributing to wider church networks.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Communication with circuits/districts and engagement with other NPNPs.

Soft: Perceived support and contribution to the wider Church.

Story: Accounts of collaboration and inspiring other communities.

**8. Long-Term Sustainability**

Marker: Financial and leadership sustainability, with new leaders emerging.

Core Practice: Cultivating a culture of giving and growing leadership teams.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Volunteer and financial contributions and leadership development.

Soft: Capacity for sustainable growth and empowerment of leaders.

Story: Examples of contributions and leadership growth.

**9. Replant or Second Plant**

Marker: Inspiration or formation of a new ecclesial community from the current project.

Core Practice: Discernment and prayer for extending the community.

**Metrics:**

Hard: Interest and engagement in replication efforts.

Soft: Communication and readiness to inspire others.

Story: Testimonies of discernment and readiness to start new communities.