

## GOVERNING BOARD AUDIT

Most churches are led by their governing boards. How is your board doing?  
Circle the answer that best describes your board situation.

1. I feel that my work on the board is a most valuable use of my time.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
2. The board addresses the most important issues that affect our church.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
3. The board that I work with doesn't micromanage the church and its ministry.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
4. The board that I am part of has a strong, clear direction.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
5. I feel that my work on the board is a good use of my gifts and abilities.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
6. The board that I'm on doesn't spend time on trivial matters.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
7. No one person dominates or tries to control the board.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
8. The board is performing at a high percentage of its leadership potential.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
9. The board is proactive not reactive in its work.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
10. The board members sometimes disagree with one another.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
11. New board members receive an orientation and training for their position.  
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False

12. The board members really trust and show respect for one another.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
13. The board members are well qualified spiritually for its work.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
14. The board has set clear lines of authority between itself and the pastor.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
15. By being on the board, I am making a significant difference for Christ.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
16. I am most disappointed when board meetings are canceled.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
17. The board has established a clear set of policies that guide its decisions.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
18. It is rare that board meetings last for more than two hours.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
19. All items that appear on the board's agenda have been carefully screened.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False
20. You rarely find board members interfering with the staff's work.
1. True    2. More true than false    3. More false than true    4. False

Scoring directions: Add up all the numbers that you circled.    Total score:

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If your score is

20-34: You have an excellent board.

35-49: You have an above average board the closer your score is to 35.

50-65: You have a below average board, especially the closer your score is to 65.

66-80: You have a dysfunctional board.