

CHURCH CORE VALUES AUDIT

Directions: This is a “prime the pump” exercise to help you discover your ministry’s core values. How much does each attribute below characterize your church’s values? Rate each from 1 to 5 (1 being the lowest and 5 the highest). Work your way through the list quickly, going with your first impression. You should not give too many 5’s.

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| ___ 1. Friendships | ___ 26. Organization |
| ___ 2. Teachers | ___ 27. Grace-orientation to life |
| ___ 3. Bible preaching/teaching | ___ 28. Worship |
| ___ 4. The poor & disenfranchised | ___ 29. Innovation |
| ___ 5. Technology | ___ 30. Spiritual maturity |
| ___ 6. World missions | ___ 31. Results-oriented |
| ___ 7. Risk taking | ___ 32. Leadership staff |
| ___ 8. Scripture | ___ 33. Spiritual growth |
| ___ 9. Well-kept facilities | ___ 34. Elderly people |
| ___ 10. Encouragement | ___ 35. People-orientation |
| ___ 11. Financial responsibility | ___ 36. Committed Christians |
| ___ 12. Relationships | ___ 37. Friendliness |
| ___ 13. Servant leadership | ___ 38. Counseling |
| ___ 14. Status quo | ___ 39. Boards/Trustees |
| ___ 15. Adaptation | ___ 40. Christian education (all ages) |
| ___ 16. Membership | ___ 41. Ordinances (baptism, communion, etc.) |
| ___ 17. Proactivity | ___ 42. Giving/Stewardship |
| ___ 18. Cultural relevance | ___ 43. Young people |
| ___ 19. Prayer | ___ 44. Choir |
| ___ 20. Excellence/quality | ___ 45. Lost people |
| ___ 21. Community (caring for one another) | ___ 46. Children |
| ___ 22. Evangelism | ___ 47. Mobilized laity |
| ___ 23. Team ministry | ___ 48. Unchurched |
| ___ 24. Creativity | ___ 49. Other: |
| ___ 25. Family | |

Write down all the core values that received a rating of 4 or 5 (no more than 8-10). Rank these according to priority (place the number 1 in front of the highest, 2 in front of the next highest, and so on). I would suggest that you limit your core values to eight or ten at the most.