



# The Church Vitality Meter

This brief survey takes the pulse of your congregation. Like a pulse, it gives only a rough estimate of how strongly your "heart" is beating. ❤️

Please rate your congregation on these items. Think of your congregation as not just the laity, but the entire mix of clergy, laity, and staff.	Strongly Agree	Agree	Unsure or Mixed	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
<b>We are always ready to try something new.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>The current morale of this congregation is high.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>This congregation is strongly focused on serving the wider community beyond the congregation</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>This congregation makes a real difference in the lives of children and youth.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>This congregation makes a real difference in the lives of adults.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>When conflict occurs, we are able to resolve it, learn from it and move beyond it.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>In meetings, time is regularly spent praying about, discussing and defining future needs and directions.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>The congregation's leaders are willing to change programs and structures to meet new challenges.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Members of the congregation have a sense of excitement about the future.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>The members and pastor share a clear vision, goals, or direction for their ministry and mission.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>In general, the pastor and congregation share a common understanding of the pastor's role and ministry.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Authentic worship undergirds all that we do.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Members are joyful stewards, sharing their time, talents and money.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Few people have joined our congregation in the last five years.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>Our financial situation is a threat to our ability to continue as a viable congregation.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>The best years of this congregation were in the past.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>During the last two years, this congregation has experienced a major conflict that caused some people to leave.</b>	A	B	C	D	E
<b>A lack of communication often creates problems.</b>	A	B	C	D	E

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*Reflect on your answers.*

*Where is your congregation?*

Very Vital      Vital      Somewhat Vital      Not Vital

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