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Congregation Code

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THANK YOU for filling in this Survey. You are helping to serve the whole church in mission and ministry.

- One or more nominated congregational leaders or clergy should complete the survey. Please feel free to share the load for different sections.
- Please note: the term 'congregation' refers here to the whole gathering of attenders at this local church centre, not just individual church services.
- This form will be scanned. Please use a BLACK OR BLUE PEN, PRESS FIRMLY and mark response boxes CLEARLY (■ or ☒). PLEASE DO NOT USE TICKS.
- Please WRITE CLEARLY in boxes with grey borders.

Example: How many months are there in a year?

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Attendance Estimates

Please provide average numbers of people who attend congregational activities. Where possible, refer to any statistics you have compiled. If adequate records do not exist, please give your best possible estimate.

1. Overall, about how many different people, adults and children, attend church services (services of worship) at this congregation during an average week?

People attending more than once per week should be counted once only.

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2. Of the number you have written above, how many are children under 15 years old? Please give your best estimate. If none write '0'.

People attending more than once per week should be counted once only.

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3. Are there any people who don't attend church services but do attend other spiritual nurture activities at this congregation (eg Sunday school, youth group, adult fellowship) during an average week? If none, write '0'.

Adults (15 years or over)

not counted in Q1:

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Children (under 15)

not counted in Q1:

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4. For each of the last six years, what is your best estimate of average weekly attendance at church services for this congregation?

If there is more than one service here, add together average attendances for all services held over the week.

Year Average weekly attendance

2011				
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2010				
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2009				
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2008				
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2007				
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2006				
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5. On average, how many people, adults and children, attend each of the following activities?

Where actual numbers are not known, please give your best estimate. If no such activity write '0'.

Creche (during church services)

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Playgroups run by the congregation

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Pre-schools run by the congregation

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■ Sunday School

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Kids club

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Youth groups

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Other youth activities/clubs not counted above (eg CEBS, Girls Brigade)

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Small Bible study, discussion or prayer groups (regular groups only)

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6. Across the ministry activities at this congregation (eg church services, Sunday School, clubs, youth groups) how many children and young people are involved, in each age group?

Please give your best estimate. If none write '0'. Do not count enrolments in church schools or activities at schools (eg scripture).

Under 5 years

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5 to 7 years

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8 to 11 years

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12 to 14 years

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15 to 18 years

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7. How many of the following occurred here during 2010?

Infant baptisms/infant dedications

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Adult or children's baptisms (not infants)

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Confirmations/public professions of faith

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Weddings

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Funerals

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8. How many people have formal membership in this congregation? (ie have met membership requirements of your congregation/denomination and are included on the congregation's membership roll?)

If the congregation does not have formal membership, leave blank.

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Congregational Character

9. When was this congregation first founded? NB: If the congregation has been recommenced, please indicate instead the year it recommenced.

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10. In the last 5 years has this congregation carried out any of the following? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Stopped or combined church services
- Absorbed another congregation which was closed
- Revamped or started special services for the unchurched (eg 'seeker services')
- Revamped or started other new church services (eg youth service)
- Established highly experimental or pioneering forms of church
- Sent some attenders to revitalise a congregation elsewhere
- Been involved in starting a new congregation elsewhere (church planting)
- Partnered directly with a congregation elsewhere (not part of your parish) to provide financial or ministry support
- Established highly experimental or pioneering forms of outreach to the wider community
- None of the above

11. Have any of the following happened to this congregation, in the last 5 years? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Been formed from an amalgamation of congregations
- Was revitalised through another congregation sending a group of attenders to join us
- Was established as a result of church planting by another congregation or the denomination
- Received financial or ministry support directly from another congregation elsewhere (not part of your parish)
- Was part of a parish restructuring, forming a new parish
- Was 'clustered' with one or more other congregations, sharing leaders or resources
- Been part of a major conflict that resulted in the congregation splitting into two or more congregations
- None of the above

12. If this congregation has been involved in establishing new churches ('church planting') in the last 10 years, please complete the following details for each church plant. (One church plant per line).

	Name of church plant	Suburb or town	Is the church plant still operating?
1			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

13. Which of the following descriptions best describes the structure of this congregation? (Mark ONE only)

- A single congregation with its own office bearers
- A satellite congregation, linked to a larger congregation
- The main congregation in a group of congregations
- Part of a cluster of congregations of the same denomination
- Part of an ecumenical cluster of congregations of different denominations
- House church or informal faith community

14. Which of the following best describes your congregation's affiliation to a wider denomination?

- The traditions of the wider denomination are important to us and are an integral part of our identity
- Some traditions are important to us and others are not
- The traditions of our denomination impose stresses and limitations on our ministry
- Our congregation functions fairly independently of our denomination
- We are not affiliated with any denomination

15. To what extent is this congregation involved in ministry towards migrants? (Mark ONE only)

- Heavily involved
- We are taking first steps
- We would like to be involved but do not have the resources
- We are not involved for other reasons
- It is not a priority in our area

16. Are there any non-English speaking congregations meeting for worship here? If so, which of the following would best describe your relationship? (Mark ONE only)

- We share the same property, but have no shared ministry
- We share the same church worship service, but have separate language small groups or other activities
- We have separate language church services, but share small groups or other activities
- No non-English speaking congregations meet for worship here
- Other

17. Does this congregation do any of the following? (Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Yes	No
a. Use electronic mail (e-mail) to communicate with attenders as a group?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Have a website?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Use social networking sites on the internet (eg Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, Bebo) to communicate with attenders?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. In the past 12 months, did this congregation, either on its own or with other congregations, provide or run either of the following?

	Yes	No
a. An infants/primary school (K-6)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. A secondary school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19. If required for research projects, do we have your permission to contact you for further information about the questions in this section of the survey titled 'Congregational Character'?

	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



20. How many church services (services of worship) are held here?

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Please answer questions 21 to 23 for ALL your church worship services.

21. Which of the following terms describe ANY of the services at this church? (Mark ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional | <input type="checkbox"/> All age |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary | <input type="checkbox"/> Noisy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sacramental | <input type="checkbox"/> Reflective |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alternative/'Alt worship' | <input type="checkbox"/> Formal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charismatic | <input type="checkbox"/> Flexible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participatory | <input type="checkbox"/> Relaxed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concert-like | <input type="checkbox"/> Messy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family-friendly | <input type="checkbox"/> Solemn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth-friendly | <input type="checkbox"/> Humorous |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energetic | <input type="checkbox"/> Consistent each time |

22. Which of the following are a feature of the music in ANY of the services at this church? (Mark ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Singing by the congregation | <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary secular music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Singing by a choir or soloist | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of organ or piano |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional hymns | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of drums |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classical music/chorales | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of guitars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Responsive psalms | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of wind/string instruments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Praise music/choruses | <input type="checkbox"/> Use of electrified musical instruments (not organ) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary hymns | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-recorded songs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other contemporary Christian music (not hymns) | <input type="checkbox"/> No instruments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music or songs from a variety of cultures | <input type="checkbox"/> No music at service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contemplative chants (eg Taize, Iona) | |

23. Which of the following characteristics typically are part of ANY of the services at this church? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Written liturgy or Prayer Book
- A special time directed at children
- Participation of children in leading worship
- Participation of young adults in leading worship
- Regular use of language other than English
- Dialogue with preacher/presenter
- Discussion between attenders
- Open prayer time when anyone can pray aloud
- Witnessing about personal religious experience
- Shaking hands or joining hands
- Taking up a collection of money
- Movement around the worship space
- Use of incense
- Silent prayer or meditation
- A leader wearing a robe or other special garment
- Applause
- Use of visual projection (eg PowerPoint)
- Use of video, film clips etc
- People speaking, reading, or reciting together
- Speaking/singing in tongues
- Intentional use of colour (eg cloths/banners)
- Use of art/symbols linked with specific services
- People raising their hands in praise
- Pre-recorded sermons/homilies/messages
- Communion/Eucharist every service
- Communion/Eucharist at least monthly

ALL CHURCH SERVICES: Please tell us about each of your regular church services.

- Each column below applies to one service only, allowing you to record information for up to 5 services.
- If you need more space, please photocopy this page and write your congregation code here:

Congregation Code

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CHURCH SERVICE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5
24. Service start time (write in time)	: : : : <input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	: : : : <input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	: : : : <input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	: : : : <input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm	: : : : <input type="checkbox"/> am <input type="checkbox"/> pm
25. Day held (write in day)					
26. Average attendance (write number of people)					
27. How often is the service held?					
1. Every week/nearly every week	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Once a fortnight	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Once a month	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Less often	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
28. Has the service been started in the last five years?					
1. Yes	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. No	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
29. How long is the average service?					
1. Less than 1 hour	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. At least 1 hour but less than 1.5 hours	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. At least 1.5 hours but less than 2 hours	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
4. 2 hours or more	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
30. How long is the sermon/homily/message?					
1. 10 minutes or less	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. 11 to 20 minutes	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. 21 to 30 minutes	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
4. 31 to 60 minutes	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
5. More than 1 hour	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
6. No sermon/homily	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>



Mission and Service

31. How often is this congregation's property used by community groups not connected to the congregation?

	Daily/ most days	At least weekly	At least monthly	Occas- ionally	Never
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

32. In the past 12 months, how often did this congregation provide or run any of the following social services or social action activities?

(Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Daily/ most days	At least weekly	At least monthly	Occas- ionally	Never
a. Accommodation for the aged or infirm (eg nursing homes, aged units)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Other accommodation (eg homeless hostels, crisis accommodation, student accommodation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Aged care services (eg Meals on Wheels, home help)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Visiting (eg prisons, hospitals, fringe attenders)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Care for the disabled (eg skills training, respite care, home care)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Counselling services (eg marriage counselling, parenting programs, social work)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Children or youth support (eg youth training schemes, literacy programs, unemployed programs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Emergency relief or material assistance (eg food, clothes for the needy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Migrant support activities (eg English as a second language, refugee support, interpreting service)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. Activities for unemployed people (eg job seeking preparation, skills training, volunteers' scheme)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
k. Political or social justice activities (eg human rights)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
l. Community development or local resident action groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
m. Animal welfare or environmental activities (eg Landcare)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
n. Other welfare/community service/social action activities not mentioned above	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

33. In the past 12 months, how often did this congregation conduct any of the following outreach or evangelistic activities?

(Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Daily/ most days	At least weekly	At least monthly	Occas- ionally	Never
a. Evangelistic church services or events (eg guest services, crusades)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Evangelistic Bible studies (eg Christianity Explained, Alpha)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Street evangelism, mission activities in shopping centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Doorknock programmes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Drop-in centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Other evangelistic or outreach activities not mentioned above	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

34. In the past 12 months, how often has this congregation conducted any of the following social, recreational, or educational activities?

(Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Daily/ most days	At least weekly	At least monthly	Occas- ionally	Never
a. Sporting activities (eg church sporting teams)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Adult general education courses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Arts, music or cultural activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Hobby or craft groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Other social, recreation or leisure activities not mentioned above	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Formal Christian education/theological courses (not preaching or Bible study groups)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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- 35. Which of these statements best describes this congregation's involvement in community organisations and events (eg community fairs, marches, beautification programs, Carols by Candlelight)?**
- This congregation does not get involved in other community organisation/events
 - Attenders take part, but not as an activity of this church
 - This congregation generally takes part or supports such organisations/events
 - This congregation participates in and leads/organises events
 - Don't know

- 36. Does this congregation have a special mission focus on a particular people group? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- No, our concern is quite general
 - Yes, for a certain life cycle group (eg aged, young people)
 - Yes, for a particular non-English language or ethnic group
 - Yes, for a particular group with a common concern or interest (eg environmentalists, bikers, artists, divorcees)
 - Yes, for a particular socio-economic group (eg blue collar, public housing residents)

- 37. Over the past 12 months, has this congregation had a specific commitment to people in developing countries? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- Yes, personal relationships with individuals/groups
 - Yes, a regular financial commitment
 - Yes, a regular prayer commitment
 - Yes, through campaigns which tackle poverty or injustice
 - Yes, another kind of link
 - No links of this kind

38. Has this congregation organised any mission trips in the past 2 years, including trips jointly organised with another church or organisation? (Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	None	One	2 or 3	More than 3
a. Mission trips to other parts of Australia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Overseas mission trips	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 39. Over the past 2 years about how many people from this congregation have:**
- Gone on a short term overseas mission trip (1-6 weeks)?
 - Gone on medium term overseas mission or ministry work (7 weeks up to 2 years)?
 - Gone on long term overseas mission or ministry work (more than 2 years)?
 - Become full-time students at a theological college?
 - Gone into mission or ministry positions in other congregations or Christian organisations in Australia?

- 40. How many overseas workers does this church support through:**
- A mission agency?
 - Directly (not through a mission agency)?

- 41. In the past 5 years, has this congregation undertaken any of the following activities? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- Celebrated a day or season with an environmental theme (eg Season of Creation, Environment Sunday)
 - Run a Bible study on an environmental theme
 - Run a children's activity on an environmental theme
 - Hosted and/or run a community garden
 - Taken action to conserve biodiversity (eg hosted a native garden, raised funds for endangered species)
 - Held a public event on an environmental theme
 - Worked on an environmental activity/project in the local community (eg Clean Up Australia Day, Landcare project)
 - Collaborated with an environmental group (eg local bushcare group, national environmental organisation)
 - Contacted an elected government member about an environmental issue
 - None of the above

- 42. Have any of the following been done at the church's buildings in the past 5 years? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- An environment audit
 - Implementation of water saving measures
 - Installation of rainwater tanks or water recycling
 - Implementation of energy saving measures
 - Switch to government accredited GreenPower
 - Installation of solar panels or solar hot water heating
 - None of the above

- 43. Do any of the following usually happen at this congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- Inclusion of environmental concerns in worship (eg through hymns/songs, prayers, sermons/homilies)
 - Purchasing of environmentally friendly consumables (eg recycled paper for the office, cleaning products)
 - Use of Council recycling services
 - Sourcing of food that is more environmentally friendly for meals at church (eg local produce, less meat)
 - Composting of food wastes from meals at church
 - Provision of information to attenders to help them to be more environmentally friendly in daily life
 - None of the above

For Anglican Churches

The following questions 44 and 45 are to be answered only by Anglican congregations. Others please go to Question 46.

- 44. Which of the following types of partnerships currently exist between this congregation and ANGLICARE? (Mark ALL that apply)**
- Church attenders volunteer with ANGLICARE ministries (eg ESL, Emergency Services, Christmas hamper packing, shops, welfare centres)
 - ANGLICARE Auxiliary or other support group within parish
 - ANGLICARE Parish Link Person within the parish
 - ANGLICARE representatives invited to speak at Sunday services or other groups
 - Relationship with a local ANGLICARE centre (eg welfare centre, Chesalon nursing home or community centre, ANGLICARE shop)
 - Congregational financial support to ANGLICARE
 - Congregation participates in food and/or clothing drives
 - ANGLICARE staff member/s attend this congregation
- 45. In your opinion, does this congregation have any caring ministries that could be enhanced by a partnership with ANGLICARE?**
- Yes, definitely
 - Probably not
 - Unsure
 - Yes, probably
 - Definitely not

Children, Youth and Young Adults

Please tell us about groups/activities at this congregation that are specifically for children, youth, or young adults (up to 25 years old). Please DO NOT include activities at schools (eg scripture) or other educational institutions (eg universities).

● Each column corresponds to one group/activity only. If you need more space, please photocopy this page and write your congregation code here:

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EXAMPLES of groups for children, youth and young adults, might include:

- Sunday School
- Youth groups
- Kids Clubs
- Holiday programs
- Camps (eg Easter, snow, music etc)
- Girls Brigades/CEBS
- Young adults discussion groups

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52.	What activities happen at the group/activity? <i>(Mark ALL that apply)</i> 1. Worship 2. Learning about God/teaching time 3. Bible study 4. Small groups or discussion groups 5. Prayer as a whole group 6. Prayer in small groups/pairs 7. Creative arts (eg music, painting, drama, dancing) 8. Games/Sports 9. Social activities or outings 10. Welfare/community service activities 11. Political/social justice/environmental activities	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/>																																																												

53. LINKS WITH SCHOOLS: In the past 12 months, did this congregation, either on its own or with other congregations, provide or run any of the following activities related to schools and educational institutions? If yes, how often were the activities conducted, and how many young people would regularly take part? *(Please mark a response on EVERY line)*

	No	Yes, daily/ most days	Yes, at least weekly	Yes, at least monthly	Yes, occas- ionally	Average number of young people involved
a. Religious education or Scripture classes at Infants/Primary school(s) (not occasional seminars)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Religious education or Scripture classes at Secondary school(s) (not occasional seminars)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. Mission activities in schools (not RE or scripture classes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
d. Mission activities in tertiary institutions such as a university or TAFE (eg Christian student groups)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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54. Does this congregation have faith discussion or Bible study groups beyond church services?

- Such groups do not exist here
- A group or groups meet but they are peripheral to our congregational life
- Discussion groups or a series of studies are held infrequently here (eg during Lent)
- One or two groups meet frequently here
- Three to five groups meet frequently here
- More than five groups meet frequently here

55. Who leads the small groups at this congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Minister/pastor/priest(s)
- Lay people who are specifically invited to do so
- Lay people who simply volunteer for the role
- Not applicable: we do not have any small groups here

56. Which of the following tend to happen in the small groups at this congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Groups have a common study curriculum (eg studies linked to the sermon program, a set text for study)
- Bible study as part of the group time
- A prayer time as part of the group time
- Open sharing during the group time (eg attenders share and discuss personal issues)
- Attenders offer real and practical support to one another
- Mission activity as a group (eg doing outreach together)
- Not applicable: we do not have any small groups here

57. Are small groups at this congregation typically dissolved and reformed on a regular basis (eg every year or two)?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

58. Does this congregation have groups that are for men only or for women only? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Yes, mens group(s)
- Yes, womens group(s)
- No such groups

59. Through which of the following means, if any, does this congregation support attenders to link their faith with issues that concern them in their paid employment? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Sermons/homilies
- Other aspects of worship services (eg intercessory prayers)
- Bible studies or small groups
- Targeted programs (eg seminars for professionals)
- Pastoral care
- Informal relationships or conversations
- Other means not listed here
- None of the above

60. Does this congregation have a written, public statement expressing a commitment to welcoming and including people and families living with a disability?

- Yes, a statement specific to our church
- Yes, a statement as part of our denomination
- We have a sentiment of inclusion in our written statements, but nothing specific for disability
- No, we have no such statement

61. Does this congregation provide specific education on disability inclusion to your church staff and volunteers?

- Yes, by the training offered locally
- Yes, by training offered elsewhere (eg denominational)
- No

62. What provisions does your church have for the needs of people with a disability? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Major physical facilities (eg ramps/lift, disabled toilet, reserved parking)
- Minor physical facilities (eg hearing/induction loop, wheelchair space convenient for services, large print alternatives to written materials)
- Program related provision (eg intellectual impairment adapted Bible studies, social support, education to congregation)
- Active culture of inclusion (eg in teaching and practice of the church, adapting curriculum for children, special needs catered for)
- None of the above

63. Do you give permission for your church to be contacted in relation to your statement, training or provision in relation to disability?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

64. What usually happens here when visitors or new people come to church services at this congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- The new person is greeted by a church attender outside the building (eg in the carpark)
- An attender greets the new person inside the building
- The new person is escorted to their seat by an attender
- The new person is welcomed publically by the person leading the service
- Another attender sits with the new person during the service, to look after them
- The new person is introduced to other church attenders
- Attenders go beyond introductions and seek to engage new people in longer conversations
- The new person is given an information pack or brochure about the church
- The new person is personally invited to return to church
- The new person is greeted personally by the minister/pastor/priest or other staff
- Attenders follow up new people (eg invite them for meals)
- Not applicable : we rarely if ever have new people here

65. What usually happens in relation to the follow-up of visitors or new people at this congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- A letter, postcard or email is sent to the new person
- A welcome gift is sent to the new person
- Minister, pastor, priest or other staff phones the new person
- One or more of the attenders phones the new person
- Minister, pastor, priest or other staff visits the new person
- One or more attenders visits the new person
- The new person is invited to a church event or social activity
- The new person is invited to a program or activity for new people
- The new person is invited to a meal in someone's home
- The new person is invited to join a small group, fellowship or similar group
- The new person is invited to take up a task within the life and ministry of this congregation
- New people are not contacted after their first visit
- Not applicable : we rarely if ever have new people here

Staffing and Lay Leadership

66. Which of the following best describes the leadership of this congregation?

- Single ordained leader (minister, pastor, priest)
- Single lay or non-ordained leader
- Team of ordained leaders
- Team including both ordained and lay leaders
- Team of lay leaders

67. To what extent are each of the following roles in this congregation carried out by unpaid lay people? (Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	All	Most	Some	None	N/A
a. Leadership of the worship	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Preaching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Organising pastoral visitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Leading small groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Organising outreach/evangelism activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Organising community service activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

68. Does the leader/team of leaders have responsibility for:

- Just this congregation
- Two congregations
- Three or more congregations

69. Has this congregation offered significant training for lay people in the following leadership or ministry roles in the past 2 years?

(Mark ALL that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching/preaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Social group leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Leading church services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's ministry (eg Sunday School, R.E.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Management/admin roles (eg parish council) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral care/visitation role |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small group leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/evangelism role |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): | <input type="checkbox"/> Community service role |

70. Please give the following details for all staff working one or more days per week at this congregation.

- Make ONE entry only for EVERY staff person at the congregation.
- Where there is more than one such worker or there is another type of worker not listed, please add the details of additional workers in the blank spaces at the end of the table. If you need more space please photocopy this page and write your congregation code here:
- Please leave the entry blank if the congregation does not have this kind of worker.

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Congregation Code

Worker	(i) Is he/she paid?		(ii) Is he/she full-time (30+ hours)?		(iii) Is he/she ordained?		(iv) What is this person's gender?		(v) What is this person's age group?		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Male	Female	15-39 years	40-59 years	60+ years
a. Senior minister/pastor/priest 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Senior minister/pastor/priest 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Associate minister/pastor/priest 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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e. Associate minister/pastor/priest 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Administrator/office support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Accountant or business manager	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Children's worker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Youth worker/youth minister	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. Counsellor/social worker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
k. Worship/Music coordinator	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
l. Ethnic or cross-cultural worker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
m. School religious education co-ordinator	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
n. Outreach co-ordinator/evangelist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Planning Processes and Decision-Making

71. Which one of the following best describes the level of planning at this congregation?

- A formal long-range plan with specific strategies to achieve goals
- A formal medium-term plan (say one year), with specific strategies to achieve goals
- An informal plan reflecting the overall vision and direction of the church, but not specific strategies
- Limited short-term plans (eg quarterly preaching plan)
- No overall plan

72. Who is mainly involved in doing planning for the congregation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- The senior minister/pastor/priest
- Other ministers/staff team
- Congregational leaders (eg elders, deacons, council/board)
- Other lay leaders (eg youth leaders, small group leaders)
- Lay people with specialised skills (eg workshop facilitation; accounting skills, planning skills)
- The remaining congregational members/attenders
- People in the wider community who are affiliated with our denomination or church
- Other people in the wider community
- Not applicable - we don't do planning

73. In the past 5 years, was assistance obtained from any of the following for planning and/or evaluation? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Denominational leaders
- Denominational consultants or planners
- National Church Life Survey (NCLS) workshops/resources
- Natural Church Development (NCD) materials
- Other consultants
- Don't know/not applicable

74. Please write the number of people in each type of group. Churches use these terms in different ways. If not applicable, write 'NA'. Please also record the normal length of term or appointment in years. Use 'L' if Life, 'C' if continuous and 'NA' if no such position.

	Current number	Length of term in years
Minister/Pastor/Priest:	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Pastoral Staff: (eg Associate, Youth, etc.)	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Council: (eg Board, church/parish council)	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Deacons:	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Elders:	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Other elected leaders:	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

75. How many ministry teams are there currently in your church that have some decision-making capacity in their area? (eg finance committee, property committee, worship team, youth ministry team etc)

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76. Does this congregation provide public information about its organisational structure and the current members of councils/boards, groups, committees etc? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Yes, in the church building
- Yes, on the church website
- Yes, in church bulletins/newsletters
- Yes, in annual reports
- No

77. How often are full congregation meetings held? (Mark ONE only)

- Once a year
- Once a quarter
- Once a month
- Varies - up to 6 a year
- Varies - more than 6 a year
- Not applicable

78. Does this congregation operate under a constitution?

	Yes	No	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

79. In the past two years has the leadership team reviewed its legal obligations?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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80. Does this congregation carry appropriate insurance coverage?

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81. Do clear written rules exist at this congregation about governance (eg how decisions are made, voting rules, quorum for meetings etc)

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82. Does this congregation have risk management plans and policies?

- Yes, and they are well developed
- Yes, but they need improvement
- No

These next questions are about the primary 'council' for this congregation. You may refer to this group using other terms such as parish council, church council, board etc.

83. How often are council meetings held?

- Once a year
- Once a quarter
- Once a month
- Varies - up to 6 a year
- Varies - more than 6 a year
- Not applicable

84. Do agendas and supporting documents get distributed prior to each meeting of the council?

- Always
- Sometimes
- Occasionally
- Hardly ever/never

85. Which sentence best describes any induction or orientation process for new council members?

- There is a clear formal orientation process
- There is an orientation process, which happens informally
- People are oriented through their ongoing involvement

86. Which best describes the review process, if any, for the senior minister/pastor/priest?

- There is a formal review conducted by our local church
- There is a formal review conducted by people outside our local church
- Reviews are conducted, but are not formalised
- There is no formal or informal review process

Property

87. What is the approximate seating capacity of the building where this congregation's largest church service is held?

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88. If your congregation owns the building which is used for all/most church services, in what year was it built?

Mark 'NA' if you do not own the building.

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89. In what type of building are church services generally held?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A church | <input type="checkbox"/> A home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A church hall | <input type="checkbox"/> Community centre |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warehouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Shopfront/commercial premises |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School building/hall | <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture hall/theatre/cinema |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____ | |

Finances

90. Which of the following best describes your congregation's financial situation?

- We have an increasing financial base
- We have an essentially stable financial base
- We have a declining financial base
- Our financial situation is a serious threat to our ability to continue as a viable congregation

91. What was the total amount of money this congregation received in income from all sources during your most recent fiscal year?

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92. What were the main sources of income for this congregation in your most recent fiscal year? (Mark up to THREE)

- Standard offerings from attenders
- Special stewardship/giving/thank offering program
- Rent or hire of church property
- Income from trust funds, investments or bequests
- Reserves
- Financial support from denomination or other religious group/agency
- Grants or income from the Government
- Grants from non-governmental sources
- Other (please specify): _____

93. Does this congregation accept offerings from congregation members by direct debit?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No, but we are considering it |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No, we decided not to | <input type="checkbox"/> No, and we haven't considered it |

94. If your congregation received financial assistance from your denomination or other religious group/agency during your most recent fiscal year, what was this assistance for? (Mark ALL that apply)

- For a minister/pastor/priest's stipend or staff wage
- For a building project
- For some other purpose
- We are not receiving such assistance

95. What was the total congregational budget for the most recent fiscal year - the total amount that this congregation spent on all purposes? (Include standard operating costs, salaries, debt service, money sent to your denomination and other religious organisations, and all other purposes.)

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96. What percentage of the congregation's total income went to each of the following categories during your most recent fiscal year? (Please make total = 100%)

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For Uniting Churches

The following Questions 97 to 100 are to be answered by Uniting Church congregations or faith communities only. Others please go to Question 101.

97. Does your congregation share its property with any of the following groups? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Uniting Church English speaking group
- Uniting Church non-English speaking group
- Uniting Church Community Service group
- Non-Uniting Church worshipping group
- A community group
- Property only used by our church

98. How does your church council function? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Mainly provides oversight of finance and property
- Oversight elders and/or pastoral care well
- Is a place minister/leader receive pastoral support
- Provides leadership to achieve strategic/mission directions
- Is a think tank for new mission ideas and activities
- Ensures the good order of the church
- Encourages the ideas and leadership of new and younger members
- Communicates well about what is happening with the congregation/members
- Other

99. Who leads worship services in this congregation? (Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Every week	2-3 times a month	Monthly	Occasionally	Never
a. Minister	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Pastor/Lay Pastor/ Youth leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Lay leaders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

100. With regard to leading worship services, do any of the following apply to your congregation?

- Leadership of worship services is shared with another Uniting Church
- Leadership of worship services is shared with another denomination
- Only trained and accredited leaders preach here
- We'll take anybody we know
- We'll take anybody that will come
- We don't have a leader; we use a multimedia resource

Relationships With Other Groups

101. Has your congregation collaborated with other Christian congregations, within or outside of your denomination, over the past 12 months? For up to 4 congregations, please give the congregation name, denomination and postcode (or country if not in Australia). If no such collaboration, skip to Question 104.

Congregation number	1	2	3	4
Congregation name				
Denomination				
Postcode (or country)				

Please tell us more in more detail about your collaborations with two of these congregations, by completing the adjacent table.

- Please choose the two that are the most important, and write the congregation number at the top of the column
- If you would like to tell us about more than two congregations, please photocopy the page and write your congregation code at the bottom of the page

Congregation number (write in from previous table)		
102. In what ways did you collaborate? (Mark ALL that apply)		
1. Church services (services of worship)	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Special celebrations (eg Christmas, Easter)	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Welfare/community service activities	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Political/social justice or environmental activities	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
5. Evangelistic activities	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Educational activities	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Youth activities	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Mutual visits/cultural exchange	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
9. Joint dialogue and conversations	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
10. Sharing a meal	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>
11. Prayer together or mutual prayer for each other	11 <input type="checkbox"/>	11 <input type="checkbox"/>
12. Gave or received financial support	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>
103. How often did you collaborate over the past 12 months?		
1. Weekly or more often	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Monthly or more often	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Yearly or more often	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>

104. Over the past 12 months, has your congregation collaborated with any community groups/non-profit groups without a faith basis, or with any non-Christian faith groups? For up to 4 groups, please give the group name, faith (if applicable), and postcode (or country if not in Australia). If no such collaboration, skip to Question 107.

Group number	1	2	3	4
Group name				
Faith (if applicable, eg Jewish, Muslim)				
Postcode (or country)				

Please tell us more in more detail about your collaborations with two of these groups, by completing the adjacent table.

- Please choose the two that are the most important, and write the group number at the top of the column
- If you would like to tell us about more than two groups, please photocopy the page and write your congregation code at the bottom of the page

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Congregation Code

Group number (write in from previous table)		
105. In what ways did you collaborate? (Mark ALL that apply)		
1. Services of worship	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Special celebrations in the religious calendar	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Welfare/community service activities	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Political/social justice/environmental activities	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
5. Educational activities	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Youth activities	6 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Mutual visits/cultural exchange	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	7 <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Public lecture/guest speaker	8 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
9. Joint dialogue and conversations	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	9 <input type="checkbox"/>
10. Sharing a meal/meals	10 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>
11. Prayer together or mutual prayer for each other	11 <input type="checkbox"/>	11 <input type="checkbox"/>
12. Gave or received financial support	12 <input type="checkbox"/>	12 <input type="checkbox"/>
106. How often did you collaborate over the past 12 months?		
1. Weekly or more often	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Monthly or more often	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Yearly or more often	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Ministries

107. Does this congregation do any direct work with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people?

- Yes No

108. How would you describe this congregation's current position with regard to ministry with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people? (Mark ONE only)

- We are heavily involved
 We have some involvement
 We are taking first steps
 No current ministry, but we would be open to it within the next 2 years
 No current ministry, and it is unlikely in the next 2 years
 There is limited/no opportunity in our area for this type of ministry

109. If you have ministries that primarily serve Aboriginal people, what type are they? (Mark ALL that apply)

- Church worship services
 Care for a particular age group (eg children, youth, aged care)
 Counselling services
 Emergency relief
 Activities for the unemployed
 Political or social justice action
 Accommodation
 Outreach or evangelistic services, events or Bible studies
 Drop in centre
 Mission teams to other parts of Australia
 Visiting (eg prisons, hospitals etc)
 Social or recreational activities
 General education
 Christian education
 Other activities not mentioned above
 We are not involved in such ministries

110. Does NCLS Research have your permission to make public any information you have provided about your ministries related to Aboriginal people (eg on www.churchsearch.org.au or to interested organisations)?

- Yes No

111. Are you aware of any local churches or Christian ministries that primarily serve Aboriginal people that are nearby to your church?

- No, I'm not aware of any
 No, there are none nearby
 Yes

If 'yes', please write details of these churches or ministries below:

The Local Community

112. Is the locality of the congregation best described as ...

- Rural area (less than 200 people)
 Small rural town (200 to 2,000 people)
 Rural service centre (2,000 to 10,000)
 Large rural centre (10,000 to 20,000)
 Regional centre (more than 20,000 people)
 Centre of a State or Territory capital city
 Suburbs of a State or Territory capital city

113. If the congregation is in a rural area of less than 10,000 people, approximately how far away is the nearest city of more than 10,000 people?

- Less than 20 kilometres
 Between 20 and 50 kilometres
 Between 50 and 100 kilometres
 More than 100 kilometres
 More than 500 kilometres
 Not applicable to our situation

114. How many denominations apart from your own have congregations/parishes in the local community?

- None Three to five
 One or two More than five

115. How would you rate the community's access to the following services in the area where this congregation is located? (Please mark a response on EVERY line)

	Excellent	Good	Poor	Very poor	Don't know
a. Aged care accommodation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Services for the disabled	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Emergency welfare services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Counselling services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Employment opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Police services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Youth facilities and activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Childcare facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Secondary schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. Community media (eg local newspapers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
k. Arts and related activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
l. Sporting and recreational activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
m. Public transport services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

116. Over the past five years, do you think that this congregation has played a positive role in response to problems that have occurred in the local area (eg decline in community services, crime, conflict)?

- Yes, definitely No, probably not
 Yes, probably No, definitely not
 Neutral /unsure

117. In crises in the local community, does this congregation see itself as having a significant role?

- We have a role collectively as a congregation
 Leaders of the congregation have a role
 Attenders have a role as individuals, but not through their connection with the church
 The community handles the issues without the congregation

118. Who filled in all or most of this Operations Survey?

- The senior minister, pastor or priest of this congregation
 Another minister, pastor or priest
 A lay leader or another staff person
 Another person

Thank you for your help