

Assessment Module 1 Questions and Answers

1. Why does a church need an assessment?

The church assessment is like a mirror—it provides the church with an objective evaluation of its true condition. In order for a church to reach its full evangelistic potential, it needs to be aware of its strengths and weaknesses.

2. How does the church assessment work?

The Assessment Module is divided into two parts: The first involves the Outreach Leadership Team familiarizing itself with the assessment process, selecting a Sabbath to do surveys, and then entering survey results on The Empowered Church website.

The second part is focused on the development of an assessment action plan designed to strengthen the church's weak areas. The action plan is submitted to the elders and board for approval and then presented to the church. As the tem begins its implementation, remember that the church needs to be informed and updated of the progress of the action plan so it can remain supportive and involved.

3. Can a church fail the church assessment?

No! The church cannot fail the assessment. The purpose of the assessment is to help the church obtain an objective perspective of its overall health, as well as its strengths and weaknesses in key areas that affect its growth.

4. What is the church assessment assessing?

The church assessment assesses three key areas of the church: evangelism readiness, visitor receptiveness, and ministry effectiveness. These three areas determine the church's overall health and evangelistic potential.

5. Where do we get the surveys?

Surveys can be downloaded from <u>www.empoweredchurch.org</u>. To download the survey, you will need your church's username and pass code that was set up when your Empowered Church Kit was registered. If you have not yet

registered, you can do so at the website. (You will need the registration code found on the box of your kit. Call 916-434-3880 if you have difficulty registering.)

6. What do we do with the completed surveys?

The members of the Outreach Leadership Team enter the data from the surveys on The Empowered Church website. This program will generate the various reports that the team will use to develop the action plan. For more information on computing the survey results, please visit <u>www.empoweredchurch.org</u>.

7. Who will be able to access the survey results?

The church's survey results are confidential; only those who have been given the church's username and pass code will be able to access the church's assessment results.