

Church member self-reflection

An essential part of our BUCC evaluation process is a self-reflection, by church members and non-members, on the perceived spiritual health of our BUCC church family. Before beginning to answer, please take a few moments to reflect on your feelings for our church family, the current state of our congregation, and your vision for the future of BUCC. We appreciate your input through the completion of this self-reflection.

For each of the following statements, please selection the best response from the following: Definitely Agree (A), Somewhat Agree (S), Disagree (D), or Unknown/Not Applicable (U).

Section I: Congregational Self-Image and Facilities

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I have a positive feeling about our congregation and its ministry				
2. I believe our congregation demonstrates an interest in and relating to our local community				
3. I believe our church banners and signs are clearly visible to the public				
4. I feel good about taking visitors on a tour of our church building				
5. I believe our congregation is open to evaluating its strengths and weaknesses				
6. I feel good about being affiliated with our church				
7. I believe the local community has a clear perception of who and what BUCC is and what it stands for.				

Section II: Congregational Ministries/Gift Discernment

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe that I am challenged to be actively involved in the life of BUCC				
2. I believe that BUCC leadership provides adequate feedback regarding the use of my gifts and offerings				
3. I believe that the ministries I have or am participating clearly explains and supports what is expected of me and how to carry through with my assigned task				
4. I believe and support the use of the gifts provided by new members as quickly as appropriate, including assignment to ministry teams and leadership				
5. I feel it does not seem difficult to get enough people to fill the boards, committees, task forces, or other groups				

Section III: Nurture and Discipleship

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe our church is open to and ministers to all persons, regardless of race, gender, mental or physical condition, or sexual orientation				
2. I believe spiritual growth is encouraged through training and events like small group classes, Sunday school, youth clubs, etc.				
3. I feel personally cared for and supported within my church family				

Section IV: Worship / Celebration

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe our worship is meaningful, enjoyable, positive, uplifting and spiritually fulfilling				
2. I believe we are free and supported by church leadership to explore and use new forms of worship				
3. I believe I genuinely sense God's presence in our worship services				
4. I heartily participate regularly in our congregation's worship service				
5. I believe the preaching cultivates a growing edge and spiritual understanding in my spiritual life				
6. I invite my friends to attend our services from time-to-time				

Section V: Prayer

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe prayer is important in our congregation's life and ministry				

2. I believe our spiritual leaders encourage me to pray for members of my church family				
3. I believe that in our congregation prayer is regularly offered for our church, community, and world-wide needs.				

Section VI: Decision-Making

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe BUCC provides adequate information regarding decisions made throughout the year				
2. I believe our church leaders are sensitive to the needs of the congregation and attendees				
3. I believe all persons in our congregation are encouraged to participate in the decision-making process, especially when major items need to be decided upon				
4. I believe we choose leaders on the basis of their spiritual qualifications and ability to give leadership				
5. I understand how decisions are made and implemented at BUCC				

Section VII: Church Growth and Outreach

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe our congregation has a sense of purpose and direction for ministry in our community				
2. I believe our congregation has a vision for outreach that is fostered and encouraged by our pastor(s) and other church leaders				
3. I believe that our congregation has a strategy for reaching the various segments of our community who do not have or are looking for a church home				
4. I believe our congregation uses various opportunities to promote our church's mission through the media				
5. I believe BUCC is aware and supportive of local and world-wide service agencies				
6. I support numerical growth in our congregation				
7. I am willing to make necessary adjustments to accommodate church growth and outreach				
8. I believe that new persons are getting involved in our congregation each year				

Section VIII: Stewardship

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe our leadership provides stewardship education throughout the year				
2. I believe an appropriate proportion of our contributed funds/gifts goes for missions outside our own ministry				
3. I believe an appropriate proportion of our contributed funds/gifts goes to ministries to reach our local community				
4. I believe an appropriate proportion of our contributed funds/gifts goes for ministry within the congregation				
5. I am generally willing to give my time voluntarily when needs arise				
6. When I give, whether it be my time, my spiritual gifts, or my finances, I do it with an attitude of joy and celebration				

Section IX: Goal-Setting and Future Direction

Statement	A	S	D	U
1. I believe BUCC has a statement defining its vision and mission				
2. I believe BUCC has set achievable goals for the future				
3. I believe BUCC is working to achieve our stated goals				
4. I believe that BUCC is progressing, and I am excited about the future of my church				
5. I believe that BUCC has an effective organizational structure that has clear lines of accountability and authority				

