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Abstract

Increasing Ministry Participation Through Effective Recruitment and Retention.
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For many years churches have found it to be a great challenge to staff programs and ministries, and that challenge will become greater. There are many churches that face difficulties getting people to volunteer and stay engaged volunteering. This is a critical issue for churches to figure out. Volunteering is crucial to many ministries in the church. Most ministries would not be able to function without volunteers. Increasing Ministry Participation Through Effective Recruitment and Retention was a challenge The Park Church, as other religious organizations, were facing on a daily basis.

The Park Church (as known as The Park Ministries) chose to increase ministry participation by improving the communication gaps with existing volunteers, building and maintaining strong relationships with volunteers, and streamlining the assimilation/new member engagement process. After several surveys, interviews, and ministry observations, church leaders decided to create the Step Up Engagement Ministry. The assignment of this ministry is to improve church-wide volunteerism by recruiting volunteers for various ministry opportunities, ensuring volunteers are engaged, and retaining them while they are engaged. A strong focus was placed on those members, new and existing, who were unengaged. Minister Kimberly Morrison, Lead Engagement Support Specialist, provided leadership for this ministry.

During the time frame of this consultancy project, Lyndon Robinson (June 2016) and Randa Ross (January 2015) acted as consultants and also served as members of the Step Up Engagement Ministry. The consultants conducted surveys, interviews, and observations to collect data from stakeholders and new members. Recommendations were presented based on survey results.
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1 Introduction

1.1 Project Purpose

The Park Church is one of the largest churches in the Charlotte metropolitan area with approximately 8,000 members. The church currently operates three locations in the Charlotte area, while owning and operating The Park Expo and Conference Center. Two worship services are performed each Sunday, along with live stream worship at all locations.

The Park Church, like most religious organizations, has been having difficulties recruiting and retaining church volunteers. The church was aware of the extremely busy lifestyles its members are living nowadays. Low volunteer participation caused burnout and stress for the few who volunteer on a regular basis. Also, the lack of volunteers negatively impacts services the church provides for its members and the community. To successfully recruit volunteers, the church must be able to explain in an enthusiastic, informative, and convincing manner what the church is about and why someone would want to be a part of it. Equally important was placing the new members in positions that are compatible, satisfying, and challenging.

Through research, The Park Church learned that some ministries were operating at very low participation rates. In November 2015, church leadership conducted a needs assessment with all ministry leaders. The outcomes from the assessment showed that ministries needed more volunteers and improved communication between ministries and church leaders and that there were signs of burnout. This challenge prompted church leadership to focus on ministry leadership development, hoping that well-trained ministry leaders would reduce burnout and improved ministry participation.

Consultancy work began in June 2016, when the church’s focus shifted to seeking to improve the assimilation process for new members. This new direction focused on increasing ministry participation, bridging the communication gap among volunteers and ministry leaders, and volunteer retention. KCIO and PLACE weekend was discussed with church leadership. KCIO is the new member orientation new members must complete before participating in ministry activities. PLACE is a segment of KCIO that focuses on an individual’s spiritual gift. This involves an online assessment, group work, and a workbook. KCIO began at 6:30 p.m. on the first Friday evening of each month and ended at 9 p.m. It continued the next morning (Saturday), beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m. PLACE began after lunch at 1 p.m. and ended at 2:45 p.m. (see Appendix A for the previous KCIO weekend agenda). It was agreed that this event would be the first to be observed and analyzed. Feedback was given to church leadership and eventually adjustments were made (see Appendix C for KCIO/PLACE analysis and recommendations).
During the month of January 2017, the Pastor challenged the congregations to “Step Up” and join at least one of the various ministries and to volunteer in events sponsored by the church. As consultancy work continued, the Step Up Engagement Ministry was created. Its purpose was to (a) create a “high touch” relationally focused culture with new members from the time they join the church through engagement in ministry; (b) develop a recruiting strategy to appeal to unengaged members; and (c) to host a Step Up Ministry Fair to increase the percentage of members actively serving. The Step Up Engagement Ministry involved strategic planning, which was instrumental in working parallel with the consultancy project.

Volunteering is about relationships, and about people serving people. Church volunteers are motivated by their relationships with God, the church, other volunteers, and those they serve. In recruiting volunteers, the church should explain its vision and well-defined goals so the unengaged will have a clear understanding of what is to be achieved. Part of making the volunteer process simple is following up quickly so the potential volunteer is not confused, irritated, or unsure of what she or he is signing up for.

Definitions
- KCIO – Kingdom Citizens Institute Orientation
- PLACE – Spiritual Gifts Workshop / Workbook

Organizational Context
- Senior Pastor: Bishop Claude Richard Alexander, Jr.
- Director of Operations: Michael Rankin
- Minister of Assimilation & Community Connections: Reverend Taswell Henderson
- Lead Engagement Support Specialist: Minister Kimberly Morrison

(see Figure 1)

1.2 Associated Documents

See Appendices

1.3 Project Plan Maintenance

Project changes were made and approved each semester by both the Consultancy Coach and as needed with the Site Advisor.
2 Project Scope

2.1 Outline of Partnering Organization’s Objectives

2.1.1 Objectives

- Streamline assimilation and engagement process (See Appendix K)
- Utilize surveys and focus groups as means to assess new members
- Create a strategy to follow up on new members who do not respond to contact attempts
- Develop a recruiting strategy to appeal to unengaged members
- Host a Step Up Ministry Fair to increase the percentage of members actively serving

2.1.2 Success Criteria

Success was measured from the collection of data via surveys, observations, and feedback.

2.1.3 Risks

A risk assessment was performed, and the following risks were identified:
1) Limited resources
2) Low survey response rates
3) Poor communication

2.2 Outline of Student’s Objectives

2.2.1 Objectives

- Increase KCIO graduation rates
- Increase participation rates in service ministries
- Increase KCIO for 1/2 day for PLACE ministry
- Improve communication between ministries and volunteers
- Improve church website and/or research new website designers
- Increase social media traffic on various platforms

2.2.2 Success Criteria

Success was measured from the collection of data via surveys, observations, and feedback. Success is also measured by the suggested path of organizational goals.
2.2.3 Risks

A risk assessment was performed, and the following risks were identified (see Table 4 and Appendix P):

1) Initial follow up with prospective new members
2) Increase in number of churches
3) Prospective new members are undecided in volunteering
4) Limited resources

2.3 Definitive Scope Statement

The purpose of this project is to assist The Park Church in fulfilling its mission of creating a culture of its membership becoming missionally involved – actively serving in at least one ministry and one mission project, thus increasing ministry participation rates.
3 Deliverables

3.1 To Partnering Organization

There was not a formal list of deliverables identified by the partnering organization. Surveys were conducted at the request and within the time frame as agreed upon with the church leadership.

3.2 From Student

The only deliverable that the partnering organization had of the student and co-contributor was to produce a project that would have a positive impact on the organization and bring much needed change.
4 Project Approach

4.1 Project Lifecycle Processes

Consultancy work began in June 2016, when the church’s focus shifted to seeking to improve the assimilation process for new members. This new direction focused on increasing ministry participation and bridging the communication gap among volunteers and ministry leaders. With the encouragement of Dr. Thomasina Odom, previous consultancy coach, this student reached out to the co-contributor who assisted with this project. During the time frame of this project, meetings were held with church leadership to review current issues and revise project activities, if needed. The student and co-contributor met to review collected data that were to be presented to church leadership. The Step Up Engagement Ministry was created, which defined a more strategic approach to reaching the goal of increasing ministry participation. The consultancy project came to an end with the Step Up Engagement Ministry continuing its current activities of streamlining the assimilation and engagement process (see Appendix K for the streamlined design of assimilation and engagement process).

4.2 Project Management Processes

Project management occurred through a variety of processes, including a review each semester with the consultancy coach and ongoing check-ins with the site advisor. The student and co-contributor met often to discuss collected data from surveys and to ensure accuracy of data being presented.

4.3 Project Support Processes

Support for the project came from various individuals internally and externally of The Park Church:

Internal (The Park Church)
1) Reverend Taswell Henderson
2) Minister Kimberly Morrision
3) Minister Patricia Proby
4) Minister Alvin Wallace
5) Reverend Dr. Nicole Martin

External
1) Gardner-Webb University DEOL professors
2) Randa Ross, co-contributor
4.4 Organization

4.4.1 Project Team

There was not a formal project team created for this project. The primary team members consisted of this student, the co-contributor, and the Lead Engagement Support Specialist.

4.4.2 Mapping Between The Park Church and Student

*Figure 1.* The organizational context of The Park Church during the time frame of the consultancy project.
## 5 Communications Plan

Table 1

*Distribution of Information to Church Leadership and Ministry Shareholders*

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Who – Stakeholder</th>
<th>What info do they need</th>
<th>Why do they need it</th>
<th>When will they get it</th>
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<td>Data collected from surveys; Summary of analysis and recommendations</td>
<td>To understand current trends and to provide ongoing support and approval</td>
<td>After discussed with Step Up Engagement Specialist</td>
<td>Presentation, hard copy, and/or email</td>
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<td>After discussed with co-contributor</td>
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<td><strong>Step Up Ministry Team</strong></td>
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<td>To understand current trends and offer ideas, suggestions, and recommendations</td>
<td>After discussed with co-contributor and Step Up Engagement Specialist</td>
<td>Team meeting, hard copy, and/or email</td>
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6 Work Plan

6.1 Work Breakdown Structure

Executive Leadership Team
- Identify area of work and project objectives
- Approve final recommendations
- Approve and assess all financial needs to accomplish goals

Step Up Lead Engagement Specialist
- Serve as leader of the Step Up Engagement Ministry
- Work directly with church executive leadership and student to achieve project objectives
- Communicate project status to church leadership
- Communicate project needs to student and co-contributor

Student and Co-Contributor
- Responsible for survey administration
- Responsible for data collect and analysis
- Provide recommendations based on research, data collection, and benchmarking
- Prepare formal documents of survey results and analysis for review with church leadership

6.2 Resources

Table 2

*Action Plan to Increase Communication & Member Participation*

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<th>Specific Activity</th>
<th>Timeline</th>
<th>Persons Responsible</th>
<th>Resources Needed</th>
<th>Formative Assessment Method</th>
<th>Goal</th>
<th>Indicator Of Success</th>
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<td>Church staff / Congregation</td>
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<td>Throughout the year</td>
<td>Increased the number of volunteers</td>
<td>Increased participation in service ministries</td>
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<td>Activity</td>
<td>Start Date</td>
<td>Responsible Party</td>
<td>Resource</td>
<td>Frequency</td>
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<td>Result 2</td>
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<td>Participation on new recruitment and retention committee</td>
<td>July 2017</td>
<td>Committee members</td>
<td>Computer</td>
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<td>Promote social media sites and encourage individuals to share</td>
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<td>Redesign website and/or research new website designers</td>
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<td>Cleaner looking / Better organized website</td>
<td>Increased traffic/time spent on website</td>
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<td>Research the best social media sites to use.</td>
<td>October 2017</td>
<td>Church Leadership / Volunteers</td>
<td>Survey(s)</td>
<td>Throughout the year</td>
<td>Social media prioritization</td>
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7 Milestones

Table 3

Consultancy Project Milestones

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<td>Statement of Purpose</td>
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<td>Key Facts/Constraints</td>
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<td>Spring 2018</td>
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<td>Final Project</td>
<td>Summer 2018</td>
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Note: See Appendices L-U for consultancy project milestones.
8 Metrics and Results

The project was created to assist in increasing ministry participation. Data were collected and analyzed quarterly from new member surveys. These surveys are to remain continuous. Feedback gathered will be used to close the communication gaps and assist in the recruitment and retention of various ministries. Survey results as well as recommendations were presented to the church leadership (see Appendices B, C, D, E, and I for new member survey data).
## 9 Risks, Constraints, Assumptions

### 9.1 Risks

Table 4

*Risk Assessment*

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<th>Risk Description</th>
<th>Mitigation Plan (what to do to avoid the risk occurring)</th>
<th>Contingency Plan (what to do if the risk occurs)</th>
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<td>Initial follow-up with prospective new members</td>
<td>Close communication gaps between existing volunteers and new members</td>
<td>Provide training and/or greater emphasis on communication</td>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>Medium</td>
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<tr>
<td>Increase in number of churches</td>
<td>Church officials should be aware of new churches, their locations, and styles of worship. They should see if their membership is shifting towards those churches.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Medium</td>
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<td>Prospective new members are undecided in volunteering</td>
<td>Church officials should follow-up with prospective members to see why they did not attend KCIO</td>
<td>Provide continued encouragement/reminders to participate</td>
<td>Medium</td>
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Limited Resources

| The church officials will constantly remind members that donations and volunteers are always needed and welcomed. | The church officials will constantly remind members that donations and volunteers are always needed and welcomed. |

Medium

Medium

9.2 **Constraints**

- Budget limitations
- Church leaders slow to respond to requests/recommendations
- Changes in church staff familiar with consultancy project
- Constant changes in the agenda of church leadership
- Limitations in resources

9.3 **Assumptions**

- A high number of church members will participate in church activities.
- New member response rate to surveys will increase.
- Church website and social media platforms will improve (see Appendix F for additional information on the church website and social media platforms).
- Church leadership will approve “out of the box” recommendations (see Appendix H for innovation project on to be recommended).
10 Financial Plan

The estimated financial budget of the consultancy project did not require cost, but there are projected costs that will help The Park Church succeed in its quest to recruit and retain membership. An overhaul of the church website is instrumental in communicating to the church members and its guests. The Park Church leadership team will determine the appropriate vendor that fits the needs of the church.

Another cost associated with the project was the use of SurveyMonkey, which is used to survey members. Since this survey tool is projected to be used on a quarterly basis, the pricing plan will need to be discussed.

Other Expenses:
- Surveys (and future surveys) will be distributed via email or telephone (no postage costs).
- Meetings with are conducted face-to-face or via Zoom (no cost; see Appendix J for more information on vendor choices and pricing plans).
11 Quality Assurance Plan

Improving Ministry Participation Through Effective Recruitment and Retention consultancy project utilizes the Deming Model – Plan, Do, Check, Act – as the method to aid in the continuous improvement (see Figure 2 & Appendix T).

Figure 2. Deming Model – Plan, Do, Check, Act.

1. 
Plan: Increase the participation rates of KCIO (Kingdom Citizen Institute Orientation) graduation.
Do: There was a change in the length of time new members attend class on Saturdays. Instead of attending a full day on Saturday, new members now attend on Saturday morning and return an additional Saturday morning during the month. At this time, I am unsure if the participation rate has increased.
Check: This activity continues at the present time.
Act: This activity was followed and executed. Follow up with KCIO will continue.

2. 
Plan: Redesign church website and/or research new website designers.
Do: The website issue was discussed with the leadership team.
Check: They are very receptive of the issue and are aware that it is a concern that needs to be addressed. Website was thoroughly examined, and concerns were documented.
Act: Plan was followed and executed. There is no timeline for the church website to be updated.

3. 
Plan: Research the best social media platforms that will keep members informed and engaged, while increasing traffic onto sites.
Do: Thoroughly researched activity on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest, and YouTube.
Check: The church is currently streaming worship services on Facebook Live as well as its primary website. Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook are active and have current postings. Pinterest and YouTube had no current
postings. I learned that the church distributes a newsletter via email on a regular basis.

**Act:** This activity was followed and executed. No follow up is planned at this time.

4.

**Plan:** Distribute surveys to new members and church wide to obtain feedback on church-related experiences.

**Do:** Several surveys have been distributed via email.

**Check:** The most recent survey had a 25.4% response rate. Eighteen of 71 individuals responded. Follow-up telephone calls will be made to those who did not respond. Individuals who are no longer attending the church will be removed from the database. Church-wide survey was discussed at the leadership team meeting.

**Act:** The Step-Up Committee was formed and will provide strategies to implement improve recruitment and retention.
References


Appendices
Kingdom Citizens Institute Orientation  
‘New Member Class’  
October 7th and 8th, 2016

Goals:
- To produce kingdom citizens who will be active in extending the love, the life and the lordship of Jesus Christ through bringing, growing, gathering and sending.
- To present an introduction to new members and orient them to The Park Church and encourage them to continue the Discipleship Tracks (Kingdom Life Institute).
- To explore the past, present and future of The Park Church.
- To present what we believe as a congregation and to explore several spiritual disciplines to help sustain our faith in God.
- To position new members for active ministry.
- To present the Faith Forward in Action spiritual journey.

Friday – 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Welcome and Announcements
Rev. Taswell Henderson, Minister of Assimilation

6:45 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Perspectives (DVD) / The Park Church Vision and Mission
Rev. Taswell Henderson, Minister of Assimilation

7:15 p.m. – 7:35 p.m. The Bible, Salvation, Baptism (Scriptural Engagement)
Dr. Major McGuire, Chief of Pastoral Care and Counseling

7:35 p.m. – 7:55 p.m. Communion and the Trinity
Rev. Willis Hickerson, Minister of Pace-setters and Prime Timers

7:55 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Break

8:15 p.m. – 8:35 p.m. Spiritual Disciplines – Prayer
Min. Kydia McCoy, Prayer Ministry

8:35 p.m. – 8:50 p.m. Church Etiquette & Acronyms
Rev. Taswell Henderson, Minister of Assimilation

8:50 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Questions and Closing
Saturday – 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

8:15 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.  Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.  Opening and Transition of Youth  
Rev. Taswell Henderson, Minister of Assimilation

9:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  Global Missions (Missional Involvement)  
Bro. Robert Ivy, Global Missions Director

9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.  Baptist Distinctive / Discipleship  
Min. Patricia Proby, Assimilation Ministry

9:50 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.  Stewardship and Faith Forward in Action  
Sis. Alisa Bellamy, The Park Financial Institute

10:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.  Break

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  History of The Park Church  
Min. Cleveland Huntley, Co-Chair Board of Directors

11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.  The Park Church Youth Ministry  
Min. Roy English, Youth Ministry Coordinator, TPC–SC

11:20 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.  Getting Connected – Life Groups (Relational Engagement)  
Rev. Taswell Henderson, Minister of Assimilation

11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  Tour of The Park Church Independence

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.  Spiritual Gifts Workbook  
Min. Patricia Proby, Assimilation Ministry

1:20 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  Spiritual Gifts Workbook  
Min. Fat Proby, Assimilation Ministry

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.  Group Work - Spiritual Gifts Workbook

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  Graduation Information/Wrap up and Closing  
Sis. Toi Jackson, Assimilation Ministry
Appendix B

The Park Church

Review of New Members Survey

Basic Survey Information

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Question #1
Are you currently attending The Park Church?

Answered: 18  Skipped: 0

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Response Highlights

Areas of Success

Areas of Development

I joined in January and have tried repeatedly to find out when the ministries we signed up for meet. After 6 months of emailing and calling, I gave up.
Question #2
Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities?
Answered: 11  Skipped: 7

![Bar chart showing the responses to the question.]

**Answer Choices**

- Yes (if yes, please list the ministries/activities)
- No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)

**Responses**

- Yes: 36.36% 4
- No: 63.64% 7

**Total**: 11

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**Response Highlights**

**Areas of Success**

- Kingdom praise team/ singles
- singles ministry
- Domestic Violence Ministry

**Areas of Development**

- I haven't attended the orientation classes yet due to no transportation at this time.
- The ministry I signed up for is not very active right now. I have discussed options that could change that. I have not sent the proposal regarding those options yet.
- I have to begin my kcio class.
- Again, tried to connect multiple times over a six-month period. No response.
Question #3
Do you believe your ministry service supports the vision/mission of The Park Church?

Answered: 11  Skipped: 7

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Response Highlights

Areas of Success
Lending my musical gifts to spread a kingdom sound. Plus grow as a single.

Areas of Development
Again, haven’t been able to get a response from anyone at the ministry.
Question #4

Reflecting on your interactions/experiences, since joining what is going well/challenges?

The church is spiritually feeding my soul and the fellowship is great! I have no transportation and I rely on a neighbor to bring me when he decides to.

I'm still learning. And I'm also in divinity school. Everything is still new.

No challenges, interactions are always positive

I want to get started in ministry but my lack of transportation hinders me.

some supposedly leaders aren't friendly or welcoming at all....I signed up for the clean up ministry after church and never got a call from anyone. Everyone wants to be seen and not really doing the work as needed...

Question #4 cont.

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Question #5

Open Fill: What can we do to improve your experience and assist your family in meeting spiritual needs?

It would help if there was some type of transportation provided for many in the neighborhood.

I believe what you have is good. Not sure what add as a suggestions. Still new

I would like to receive counseling to be a more effective ambassador for Christ.

We are doing well

Find leaders that really want to lead and not just there for show...
Question #5 cont.

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A place to meet and greet after church, maybe a canteen or something like that.

Think there are more things we can offer at the independence location

For ministry to seek to meet members where they are; find out what they are in need of. I think that promotes significant engagement and active participation.

I would identify more detail teaching especially to our teens

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Question #6 cont.

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List links on the web page where group activities can be found and people willing to serve as they say they are....too many chiefs and no indians aren't how you get more people to join in activities...

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- women's, watchmen

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- no challenges

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- nothing

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Completing my PhD has been my primary focus

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  - Currently working on Sundays

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Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:
   Respondent skipped this question

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:
   Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:
   Respondent skipped this question
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Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church

No,
If no, please explain the reason:
I attend the Bible study on Wednesday's

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?

No (If no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)
Please type your list or reason below:
No, however I would like to do so on Wednesdays

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?

Yes,
Please explain your response:
I have four children and I do love to teach them the principles of God's word

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

Who's all going OK. Do you know challenges that I'm facing

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

We are doing well
The Park Church exists to extend the Love, the Life and the Lordship of Jesus Christ, to everyone, in every way, in every place, at every time we have the opportunity.

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

I would identify more detail teaching especially to our teens
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Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church

No, if no, please explain the reason:
I'm currently in Delaware

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?

No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)
Please type your list or reason below:
I have to begin my kcio class

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?

Yes, Please explain your response:
My planned ministry does

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

I want to get started in ministry but my lack of transportation hinders me.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

I would like to receive counseling to be a more effective ambassador for Christ.
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Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

For ministry to seek to meet members where they are; find out what they're in need of. I think that promotes significant engagement and active participation.
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Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry or volunteering in activities at The Park Church? Respondent skipped this question

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? Respondent skipped this question

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments: Respondent skipped this question

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments: Respondent skipped this question

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response: Respondent skipped this question
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Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church?  
Yes

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?  
No (If no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)  
Please type your list or reason below:  
The ministry I signed up for is not very active right now, I have discussed options that could change that. I have not sent the proposal regarding those options yet

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities support the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?  
Yes

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:  
No challenges, interactions are always positive

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:  
Nothing that I can think of

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:  
Think there are more things we can offer at the independence location
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Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church
Yes

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?
Yes (if yes, please list the ministries/activities)
Please type your list or reason below:
Kingdom praise team/singles

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?
Yes,
Please explain your response:
Lending my musical gifts to spread a kingdom sound. Plus grow as a single.

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:
I'm still learning. And I'm also in divinity school. Everything is still new.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:
I believe what you have is good. Not sure what add as a suggestions. Still new

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:
Not sure. Leaders I believe have made them available.
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**Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church**

Yes

**Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?**

No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)

- Please type your list or reason below:
  - I haven't attended the orientation classes yet due to no transportation at this time.

**Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?**

Yes

**Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at the The Park Church, since joining what is going well and/or what challenges are you facing? Comments:**

The church is spiritually feeding my soul and the fellowship is great! I have no transportation and I rely on a neighbor to bring me when he decides to.

**Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:**

It would help if there was some type of transportation provided for many in the neighborhood.

**Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for the Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our church members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:**

A place to meet and greet after church, maybe a canteen or something like that.
Additional Analysis
Making Strides

The church is spiritually feeding my soul and the fellowship is great!

No challenges, interactions are always positive

I have been going to the park since 2009 and loved the church members I have met and relationships I have made. My relationship with God has grown a lot during my time. I would say that as a new member, there are parts of the new member program that are unorganized

There was a lot of engagement around getting us to/through KCIO and to the communion service for the certificate and new member photo.

Making Strides

Pros: my soul gets feed; the teaching is clear, thoughtful and forward thinking; the sermons align with the challenges of our current world/society; there’s an abundance of ministries to get involved in; WELCOMING staff, clergy and congregation.

We are doing well

More survey’s like this to gauge community and congregation needs

Sunday morning is great,

I LOVE that The Park Church has conversations on difficult subjects...do more of them:).
Resource Review

I have no transportation and I rely on a neighbor to bring me when he decides to.

I'm still learning. And I'm also in divinity school. Everything is still new.

I want to get started in ministry but my lack of transportation hinders me.

Suggested improvements: website - include a page for all ministries with important information; better organization and follow-up after joining; share required class schedules after the KCIO class.

It would help if there was some type of transportation provided for many in the neighborhood.

I would like to receive counseling to be a more effective ambassador for Christ.

Resource Review

A place to meet and greet after church, maybe a canteen or something like that.

List links on the web page where group activities can be found

Allow the website to be a place where lots of information can be found about activities, upcoming events and resources.

Sometimes, I'd prefer to download previous sermons on my computer...how do we do that? I know it's there but I think
Engagement Review

some supposedly leaders aren’t friendly or welcoming at all… I signed up for the clean up ministry after church and never got a call from anyone. Everyone wants to be seen and not really doing the work as needed…

Experiencing God class was great content but the facilitator was not consistent and I feel like she had too much going on to teach at times. It did not meet regularly and we would not know if we had a class until the day of or maybe he day before and as late as an hour before.

When you are facing challenging situations like infertility it is difficult to engage in some context and protect your emotional health at the same time

Engagement Review

Find leaders that really want to lead and not just there for show...

we are a big church and sometimes it seems like all of leadership is aware of what other parts of the church may be involved in. That would be with any church however or our size

Understanding that families go through spiritual transitions which means that their needs shift. It’s not that we don’t Love the Lord, we are making sure we hear from the Lord and move when he says move

Be transparent regarding ministry meeting times, so that office employees can answer questions. Hold more ministry events at BFR location for members who live nearby.

Bolster/utilize the bookstore. Encourage people to stay after service- announce/talk about the kitchen and meal; possibly create a coffee cafe in the lobby or a place easily accessible by all. I believe this would help other congregants to meet one another in a near seamless way.
Engagement Review

Think there are more things we can offer at the independence location

Perhaps find out what congregants do for a living or what expertise lies where to help others grow professionally. Garner talent inside the church.

For ministry to seek to meet members where they are; find out what they are in need of. I think that promotes significant engagement and active participation.

I would identify more detail teaching especially to our teens

and people willing to serve as they say they are....too many chiefs and no indians aren’t how you get more people to join in activities...

Discern change in seasons and shifts. It’s a challenge when you see a shift from the pew but the pulpit cannot pick up on the shift

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Engagement Review

Follow through. Sunday morning is great, but beyond that not so much.

The many ministries available seem to get lost and only spoken about in KCIO.

but nothing after that. The Park seems like it’s spread too thin -- there appear to be enough volunteers to fully support one location, not three. As a result, communications are insufficient
Analysis of PLACE and KCIO

Recommendations for Improving Ministry Participation

Lyndon Robinson
Randa Ross

Key Concerns

Disconnect between new members who complete KCIO and become active participants in a ministry

After completing KCIO and PLACE, new members still struggle with selecting a service ministry

Current KCIO timeframe does not support PLACE
Goals

Create a KCIO timeframe that supports new member assimilation and through understanding of PLACE

Provide new members with additional education and observation of active ministries

Design a KCIO structure to support relationship building between new members and church

Reallocate current resources to strengthen KCIO and PLACE structure

Decision Criteria

Analysis of benchmarking data
  Collected by summer intern; Stephanie Cassell

Observation of current KCIO class

Review of KCIO participant survey

Interviews
  Rev. Taswell Henderson
  Min Patricia Proby
  Min Alvin Wallace
Data Analysis

Breakdown of KCIO weekend

- 5-hours dedicated to new members assimilation
- 2- hours dedicated to PLACE overview

3 hours needed for PLACE training, if participants training guide is complete

2016 average KCIO class size is 5 participants

Possible Solutions

Have PLACE operate as a Sunday school class; all 3 campuses, graduation every other month

Add additional Saturday to KCIO for PLACE (3 hours)

Allow new members to observe and serve in available ministries prior to KCIO graduations
Preferred Solution with Rationale

KCIO new member assimilation will move to monthly process

1st weekend of the month- two half days on Friday evening and Saturday morning

- Friday: no change to structure
- Saturday: PLACE overview will be removed; class will end at 12

- Video will be created with overview of church ministries
- PLACE introduction: timeline for next 20 days

3rd Saturday of the month- half day dedicate to PLACE

- New members will be complete PLACE workbook between first KCIO weekend and 3rd Saturday

New Process “Observe and Serve”

- On Sundays during the month, new members will have the opportunity to observe ministries of interest

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Preferred Solution with Rationale

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KCIO Graduation will still take place on 1st Sunday of each month
**Expected Outcomes**

New members will have greater opportunity to understand spiritual gifts

New members will have an opportunity to observe ministries of interest prior to graduation

Resources will be saved; no full meal needed due to half day sessions

Higher engagement between new members and assimilation ministry

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**Additional Recommendations**

Minimum of 6 trained individuals to teach PLACE (preferably MIT)

After 3-6 months, allow existing member to participate in PLACE weekend and Observe and Serve

Create web page on church website that aligns existing church ministries with spiritual gifts

Align all information sources to reflect the same information (online/newsletter)
Qualitative & Quantitative Data Analysis Project

Increasing ministry participation through effective recruitment and retention

Lyndon Robinson
DEOL 738
March 18, 2017

Problem Statement

The Park Church, like most religious organizations, has been having difficulties recruiting and retaining church volunteers. The church is aware of the extremely busy lifestyles it’s members are living nowadays. Low volunteer participation causes burnout and stress to the few that volunteer on a regular basis. Also, the lack of volunteers negatively impact services the church provides for its members and the community.

Research

I would like to explore the possibilities of KCIO (Kingdom Citizen Institute Orientation) and PLACE class, reflect a more flexible schedule that will increase volunteer participation.
During the month of January 2017, the Pastor challenged the congregation to “Step Up” and join at least one of the various ministries and to volunteer in events sponsored by the church.

Targeted Population

- Existing members who had not taken PLACE in the past 12 months.
- Members that join the church, but never completed the PLACE class.
- *New members who have not completed entire new member orientation will be completing a different survey / questionnaire.
The Step Up challenge outcomes:

- 98 persons that registered to attend the PLACE class
- 32 persons attended the PLACE class
- 66 persons did not attend.

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Qualitative Evaluation

Feedback on the class experience of the 32 members that attended the PLACE class has been recommended.
Design of the Study

- Basic Qualitative Study

Sample Selection

- (32) members of the 98 that attended PLACE class
- 6 – 10 members will be selected to participate in a focus group

Method

Data Collection

- Questionnaire (telephone, email, or text)
- Focus Group
Analyzing Qualitative Data

- Coding Qualitative Data

Reporting Qualitative Findings

- Brief explanation of how data were processed and coded
- Most effective to include actual examples of comments that reflect the concept being coded

Survey Questions for Feedback of PLACE Session (Step Up)

The presentation and speakers were engaging
  a. Strongly agree
  b. Agree
  c. Neutral
  d. Disagree
  e. Strongly Disagree

The location/ date and time were adequate for my schedule.
  a. Strongly agree
  b. Agree
  c. Neutral
  d. Disagree
  e. Strongly Disagree
At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts?

a. Strongly agree  
b. Agree  
c. Neutral  
d. Disagree  
e. Strongly Disagree  

Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?

a. Yes  
b. No  

Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

Open comment.

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Quantitative Evaluation

Feedback from the 66 individuals who did not attend after signing up to the PLACE class has been recommended.

Question: Why did members sign up to attend PLACE class, but did not attend?
Method

Data Collection

- Questionnaire / Survey (telephone, email, or text)
- Generated via Survey Monkey

Data Analysis

- Survey Monkey will provide real-time analyzing of the data

Results
Discussion

- Interpretation of results
- Description of trends, comparison of groups, or relationships among variables
- Discussion of implications
- Limitations

Conclusion

- Summary of findings
- Recommendations
- Future Research
Survey Questions for those who did not attend PLACE weekend but signed up:

► What was the reason you were unable to attend The PLACE weekend workshop?
  a. Scheduling conflict (personal)
  b. Date and time of event did not meet my needs
  c. I am no longer interested in joining a church ministry

► Would you be interested in attending the next available session of PLACE
  a. Yes
  b. No

► How often do you think you could be available for ministry volunteering
  a. Never
  b. One-time special event
  c. Occasionally (once every few months)
  d. Regularly (about once a month)
  e. Not sure

What might hold you back from participating in a church ministry

1) Too busy with work, family, and other activities
2) I am already involved (list)
3) Traveling distance from church
4) I do not know what to do
5) I had a bad experience in the past
6) Other

What skills, training, hobbies or experience do you have that could be useful in ministry.
Open comment.
References


Appendix E

Step Up Weekend and Ministry Fair

Step Up Weekend and Ministry Fair (Feedback)

Q1: The presentation and speakers were engaging.

Agree

Q2: The location/ date and time were adequate for my schedule.

Agree

Q3: At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts.

Agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?

Yes

Q5: Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?

No

Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

I was very impressed with the entire experience. It was very useful in my determining which ministries to select. Keep up the good work. Thank you.
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  Strongly agree

Q2: The location/ date and time were adequate for my schedule.

  Strongly agree

Q3: At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts.

  Agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?

  No

Q5: Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?

  No

Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

  Respondent skipped this question
Q1: The presentation and speakers were engaging.

Agree

Q2: The location/dates and time were adequate for my schedule.

Agree

Q3: At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts.

Strongly agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?

Yes

Q5: Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?

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Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

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   Strongly agree

Q2: The location/date and time were adequate for my schedule.

   Strongly agree

Q3: At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts.

   Agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?

   No

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   No

Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

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   Agree

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   Agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?

   No

Q5: Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?

   Yes

Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.

   When signing up for ministries, please provide a “Best time to call” section. I’ve only heard from 1 ministry and I spoke to 3 people about joining their ministries.
Q1: The presentation and speakers were engaging.
   - Strongly agree

Q2: The location/ date and time were adequate for my schedule.
   - Neutral

Q3: At the conclusion of the event I had greater understanding of my spiritual gifts and a ministry that aligns with my gifts.
   - Agree

Q4: Are you currently actively serving in a Park Church Ministry?
   - No

Q5: Would you be interested in joining a breakfast discussion on how to improve our overall process for new member assimilation?
   - Yes

Q6: Please provide any feedback from your experience to assist us in enhancing this training.
   - Respondent skipped this question
Step Up Weekend and Ministry Fair

Q1: What was the reason you were unable to attend “Step Up” and Ministry Fair on February 4, 2017 weekend workshop?

Scheduling conflict (personal)

Q2: Would you be interested in attending the next available session of “Step Up”?

Yes

Q3: How often do you think you could be available for ministry volunteering?

Occasionally (once every few months)

Q4: What skills, training, hobbies or experience do you have that could be useful in ministry?

Teaching, Coaching, Encouraging, Training

Q5: Is there a particular ministry at The Park Church you feel God is calling you to “Step Up” to serve?

I have served as a teacher in the marriage ministry in the past. I am in a doctoral program right now and my time is very limited. So I would need to get involved in a ministry that would not take the discipline that is needed for teaching.
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Scheduling conflict (personal)

Q2: Would you be interested in attending the next available session of "Step Up"?

Yes

Q3: How often do you think you could be available for ministry volunteering?

Regularly (about once a month)

Q4: What skills, training, hobbies or experience do you have that could be useful in ministry?

My background is accounting and finance.

Q5: Is there a particular ministry at The Park Church you feel God is calling you to "Step Up" to serve?

I currently serve on the Park Financial Institute ministry (5+ years). In fact, I was unable to attend the ministry fair because the date and time conflicted with the FPU class also hosted at the church. We didn't cancel because we understood there would be other opportunities to attend the ministry fair. Thank you.
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- Yes

Q3: How often do you think you could be available for ministry volunteering?

- Occasionally (once every few months)

Q4: What skills, training, hobbies or experience do you have that could be useful in ministry?

- Legal, administrative, organizational

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Regularly (about once a month)

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Helping people

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Wherever and however needed, I want to serve but not exactly sure of what I’m best suited for.
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Social Media Implementation Plan

“Increasing Volunteer Participation at The Park Church”
http://theparkministries.org

Lyndon Robinson
DEOL 740
July 15, 2017

Impact of Social Media on Church

• May increase attendance

• Provides a sense of community
Benefits of Social Media to Church

- Best way to connect to millions of people 24/7
- Events & sermons can be promoted at a low cost
- Assist in forming and maintaining positive social relationships

Demographics

The three major social media platforms:

Facebook

Twitter

Instagram

As of 2016, "52% of online adults now use two or more social media sites, a significant increase from 2013, when it stood at 42% of internet users."
Facebook

• 79% of all online adults use Facebook.

• 68% of the entire adult population (U.S.) use Facebook

• 75% of all online men use Facebook versus 83% of all online women.

Facebook (cont’d)

• 88% of all online 18-29 year olds use Facebook

• 84% of all online 30-49 year olds use Facebook

• 72% of all online 50-64 year olds use Facebook

• 62% of all online 65+ year olds use Facebook

Along with live streaming worship services via Facebook Live, the church has done well with posting current information/upcoming events on Facebook. As of today, The Park Church has 4,103 total page likes and 12,646 people checked in.
Twitter

• 36% of online 18-29 year olds use Twitter, as opposed to 23% of 30-49 year olds and 21% of 50-64 year olds.

• 29% of online college or graduate-level graduates use Twitter, as opposed to 20% of online high school (or less) graduates.

Twitter (Cont’d)

• 28% of online adults who make $50,000 a year or more use Twitter, as opposed to 23% who make less than $30,000 per year.

• 26% of online adults in urban settings use Twitter, compared to 24% in suburban settings, and 24% in rural areas.

The church has 1,255 followers. The information is current and they usually post content frequently.
**Instagram**

- 38% of online women use Instagram, compared with 26% of online men.

- 38% of online African Americans use Instagram, along with 34% of online Latinos and 21% of online Whites (2014).

- 59% of online 18-29 year olds are on Instagram, as opposed to 33% 30-49 year olds, and 18% of 50-64 year olds.

There are 906 followers on Instagram. Just like Twitter & Facebook, the information is current and they usually post content frequently.

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**SWOT Analysis**

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| Ensure timely updates to church website                |          |                                                                                     |                                 |                                                                      |                                                  |
| Create streamlined engagement and assimilation process for all ministries | Q1 2018  | Owner: Step Up Engagement Ministry  
Champions: Kim Morrison, Mike Rankins, Kevin Alexander  
Stakeholders: All ministry leaders | Throughout the year                 | To ensure consistency in new member and assimilation and engagement process across ministries, Awareness of leadership structure within each ministry, Highly relational connected member | Increased volunteer participation & membership retention  
Reduction in ministry human resource gaps  
Increased volunteer growth and membership retention |
| Create accountability structure for each ministry      |          |                                                                                     |                                 |                                                                      |                                                  |

| Implementation of church-wide survey                  | Q2, 2018 | Owners: Step Up Engagement Ministry  
Champions: Mike Rankins, Bishop Alexander  
Stakeholder: Church congregation | Industry standard is every 12-18 months | Gain feedback from church membership | Increase in new membership & retention of current members |
| Re-launch of leadership development for ministry leaders | Q1, 2018 | Owners: Step Up Engagement Ministry  
Champions: Mike Rankins, Bishop Alexander  
Stakeholder: All ministry leaders | Throughout the year                 | Continue to improve in volunteer management, Leaders equipped and prepared to serve in ministry (administration, teaching) | Increased volunteer participation & retention / Overall church membership |
APPENDIX H

INNOVATION PROJECT

THE PARK CHURCH COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER NETWORK

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STATEMENT OF NEED

For years churches have found it increasingly challenging to staff programs and ministries, and that challenge will increase. The primary reason has nothing to do with lack of dedication or lack of time, but rather the increasing opportunities for volunteering in the community.
STATEMENT OF NEED (CONT’D)

SOME REASONS WHY CHURCH MEMBERS DO NOT VOLUNTEER

Too Much Commitment

Some people are either at a stage of life or are over committed with other things and don’t have the time to volunteer.

Fear of Commitment

Some people simply are afraid that if they volunteer once then they’re in it for life. They’re afraid of making a commitment that never ends.

Difficult to Get Involved

Some people tried to volunteer, they’ve signed up, they want to but they don’t know how to get involved, it was hard to get involved (they had to take multiple classes or be a member of the church prior to volunteering), or no one ever called them back.

STATEMENT OF NEED (CONT’D)

SOME REASONS WHY THE CHURCH CAN USE NON-MEMBERS

Avoid Volunteer Burnout

Volunteer feels tired all the time even though they haven’t done much of anything. They feel like they are withdrawing, even from activities previously relished. Before long they start to feel worthless.

Increased Ministry Participation

• To give your organization the power to do more work
• To reduce the burden on paid staff members
• To give your organization a larger, more diverse pool of participants
• To increase awareness and understanding of your organization through your recruiting as well as through the work the volunteers do
• To get as much done as possible within the confines of your budget
STATEMENT OF NEED (CONT’D)

Short Term Opportunities
• Seasonal

Low Commitment

ENVIRONMENT SCAN

Local churches that do not reach out to non-members (per their website):

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church       Myers Park United Methodist Church
Elevation Church                          St. Paul Baptist Church
Hickory Grove Baptist Church              Ebenezer Baptist Church
TRENDS AND HIGHLIGHTS OVERVIEW

Overall, in Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC in 2015:

30.2% of residents volunteer

559,637 volunteers

23.2 volunteer hours per capita

TRENDS AND HIGHLIGHTS OVERVIEW (CONT’D)

60.2 million hours of service

$1.1 billion of service contributed

52.0% of residents donate $25 or more to charity

Opportunity:
Many non-members volunteers in the Charlotte Metro Area
PRODUCT OR SERVICE

CHURCH COMMUNITY EVENTS

- 5K Domestic Violence Awareness Run/Walk
- Summer Food Service Program
- The Park Church Community Events
- Hallelujah Fest (Halloween)
- Rooms in The Inn

TARGETED NON-MEMBER AUDIENCE

- Individuals
- Groups
- Teams
- Senior Citizens
- Court-Ordered Community Service Workers
- Academic Credits for Students
- The Park Church Community Volunteer Network
PARTNERING RECRUITMENT ORGANIZATIONS

RESOURCES

Up to $800 for printing of newsletters, flyers, etc for each event.

Access to various social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, & YouTube Channel.

Church members encourage to promote and recruit non-member volunteers.

Financial donations and grants will come from the community, church members, and USDA-Food and Nutrition (Summer Food Service Program)
RESOURCES (CONT’D)

Refreshments, equipment, and other supplies will be provided by the church and other sponsors.

All event locations are accessible via public transportation.

Challenges

• SFSP – Uncertainty in amount of grant to be awarded from year-to-year
• Donations are dependent upon available fund per organization and individual

ROLL OUT PLAN

4 - 6 Months Before Event

Non-Member Volunteer Committee will begin communicating with partnering organizations 4-6 months before the specified event, so the event can be posted on their website.

3 Months Before Event

Newsletters, flyers, post cards will be created and distributed within the community and directly to organizations that are active participants in volunteering.

2 Months Before Event

Deadlines for volunteering
ROLL OUT PLAN (CONT’D)

1 Month Before Event

Background checks for performed (if needed)

Day of the Event

• Brief training 30 minutes – 1 hour before start time.
• Assignments distributed

Challenge:

Community not responsive to volunteer opportunity; therefore, participation rate is low.

Opportunity:

Large number of volunteers show for advertised event.

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ENACTING LEADERSHIP

The Park Church Community Volunteer Network will be considered as another ministry of the church. The church leadership will select an individual to lead the committee and provide weekly feedback.
REFERENCES


Overview

The Step Up Engagement Ministry Team performed a survey in October of new members who joined September – December, 2017 to gain valuable feedback and insights on the following critical information:

• Are they still with us; If not, why?

• Are they actively engaged and serving in ministry; If not, why?

• How are they doing and what is going well and what challenges are they facing?

• What can we learn from their overall experiences that will help us improve processes/structure so that we are being good stewards over the people God is adding to our church?

• What else can we do to improve their experiences?
Basic Survey Information

Invitations
- 14 opened (66.7%)
- 4 unopened (20.0%)
- 3 bounced (13.3%)
10 clicked through (47.6%)
0 opted out

Responses
- 7 complete (70%)
- 3 partial (30%)

Invitations
- 16 opened (40%)
- 22 unopened (55.0%)
- 2 bounced (5%)
9 clicked through (22.5%)
0 opted out

Responses
- 9 complete (33.3%)
- 6 partial (66.7%)

61 total survey sent out
10 total responses

Question #1
Are you currently attending The Park Church?

Actual Survey Response
My fiancé and me aren’t attending the Park Church b/c we both feel that this church doesn’t speak to the needs of our hearts

Moved out of state
Question #2
Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities?

Answered: 10  Skipped: 9

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Response Highlights

**Ministries/ Activities**

- I volunteer at Charlotte Mission Tutoring
- I volunteer at Charlotte Mission Tutoring
- Nursery
- Scholarship endowment, Homeless & collecting coats

**Actual Survey Responses**

- Have not completed the new members class
- My fiancé and me aren’t actively serving in ministry b/c we feel that this church is more concerned about its financial growth than its members
- Plan on doing something that will be my ministry soon
- The time of meetings doesn’t suit my schedule
- Moved out of state
Question #3
Do you believe your ministry service supports the vision/mission of The Park Church?

**Actual Survey Responses**

| Yes | 77.77% | 7 |
| No | 22.22% | 2 |

Not currently serving. New members class not completed.

No, I do not believe my ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to the Park Church. We’re definitely on two different pages.

I care for the less fortunate

Question #4
Reflecting on your interactions/experiences, since joining what is going well/challenges?

**Actual Survey Responses**

Trying to interact and meet other members is a challenge. I work on bible study nights and am not able to interact in a smaller setting with other members.

The power of the word of the Lord that I receive

Good, The most important thing is that I "get fed" the WORD by Bishop Alexander through the HOLY SPIRIT! Hallelujah thank you Lord!!!

Getting closer with the Lord
Question #4 cont.

Upon reflecting on my interactions/ experience's at the Park Church, I find it quite misleading as a member. Before joining, it seemed like the people were excited for you and we’re thrilled about you linking up to this ministry. Once I joined and became a bit more personal as far as certain situations unfolded in my life, the interactions became distant. I reached out to certain members to discuss some things and it took several weeks for them to get back to me. That didn’t sit right within my spirit at all.

I grew up in a traditional small church...100 to 200 people. So, when my husband and I married 6 years ago and decided to worship at The Park I was challenged, but the word saved me. Then we lost face to face contact with the head of the church. The word is beyond awesome and blesses my soul, but not being in the same space as pastor for weeks at a time is hard. Maybe 1.5 years ago I started volunteering in the children’s nursery and attending the married Sunday School Class and that has made me feel more connected.

My current challenge is when I go to independence and they are having a gun show and have to explain to my kids why they see guns on the church campus.

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Question #4 cont..

No challenges everything is going well

The church has helped me spiritually, mentally and emotionally. Indeed, I would have lost it but for word of God from Pastor’s Bishop Alexander and his Ministers. Thanks all Good richly blessed you.

I enjoyed everything about the park church and visit when I am in town. I feel that the new members classes should be conducted over a shorter period of time, maybe one day maybe from 8 to 3 or 4 with a lunch break. Also, new members should be made aware that they are suppose to choose a ministry to join at the end of the class and that there is another class that they are suppose to take (Experiencing God). The list of ministries and ministry leaders is outdated and some of the materials for the new members class is outdated.
Question #5
What can we do to improve your experience and assist your family in meeting spiritual needs?

Actual Survey Responses

I have had an overall good experience at The Park Church. My spiritual needs are being met.

Firstly, you can pray and ask the Lord for forgiveness for the things you know you've done wrong and for the things you may not know. Then ask God to show you where you can improve in certain areas where you lack love and compassion for those who are trying to do better but are finding it hard to believe that better exist's due to their present circumstances. The Word of God clearly says, "With Love & Kindness have I drawn thee." You have to be oh so careful who you're drawing to the Lord in the event that you don't lose them. These are precious souls you're dealing with incase you've forgotten.

Question #5 cont.

What can we do to improve your experience and assist your family in meeting spiritual needs?

Maybe have bible studies online

If possible it would be wonderful to have pastor rotate one Sunday a month to each campus. My family worships at Park South and it would further encourage us to engage with pastor more regularly.

Perhaps it would be a good idea to make sure that a life group is started in KCIO, our group pretty much disbursed after our required meetings

Other than the compromise the church is making with the business of the merchandise Mart everything else is going great. The church is still doing great in the community and helping me grow spiritually.
Question #5 cont..

What can we do to improve your experience and assist your family in meeting spiritual needs?

I think things are fine.

I like sitting on the risers

A sign address to members to visit each other, and other duties and responsibilities.

I don't feel that there is anything else and I still attend when I am in town.

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Question #6

Suggestions for the Park Church Leadership Team for greater engagement and participation?

**Actual Survey Responses**

Finding ways for members to interact in smaller groups. Hold classes on different topics to benefit the whole person.

For one I'm not a leader nor a follower. I tend to blend in with people. I place myself in their shoes so as to understand them better. I'm no better than anyone on earth. I'm human and imperfectly human.

They are all good
Question #6 cont.

Suggestions for the Park Church Leadership Team for greater engagement and participation?

There are numerous activities, but tangible leadership (within arms reach) needs to be stronger. Each campus needs a Sr minister to bring the word when Pastor does not, and pastor has to either rotate or strengthen technology.

Again, for new members... make sure that each new member id a part of an existing life group or be a part of a new life group. The church is pretty large & a new member can feel a bit isolated. Thank God I already knew a few folks that attend.

I believe the leadership is doing enough

I don't know

Nothing

Making Strides
Resource Gaps
Challenges w/ Engagement

Question #6 cont.

The church should be divided into small units lead by a leader to participate in some activities after that the group should rotate. Eg some members in group A should go to B, C D and vice versa. So that we get to know each other better.

Can't think of anything.
Question #7
Which of the following best describes your occupation.

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Other:
Stay @ home mom
Quality Management
Staffing/Recruiting
Mental health therapist
Next Steps
### Critical Activities

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**Background:**
Brandon and Marisa are young adults (mid thirties) and have four children (ages 5, 6, 10, 12). This family joined The Park Church on January 22, 2017. They attend the Beatties Ford Road 10:45 AM service. Brandon and Marisa joined under Christian experience and their four children by way of Baptism. This family completed KCIO and was assigned to a First Friend. Brandon declared the Recreation and Youth Ministry. Marisa is a Communication Manager and was assigned to Special Events. Three of the children declared the Judah Choir and one child Youth Usher Ministry.

**Assumptions:** Ministry declarations were sent out to the ministry leaders upon completion of KCIO
Follow-up was handled by First Friend

**Challenges:** Survey results determined, family is no longer attending the Park Church. Information obtained from survey stated that family made several attempts to reach out to ministry leaders at the church and phone calls were never returned.

Link to full survey: [\Response_4_171114.pdf](#)
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Additional Analysis
Making Strides

The church is spiritually feeding my soul and the fellowship is great!

No challenges, interactions are always positive

I have been going to the park since 2009 and loved the church members I have met and relationships I have made. My relationship with God has grown a lot during my time. I would say that as a new member, there are parts of the new member program that are unorganized.

There was a lot of engagement around getting us to/through KCIO and to the communion service for the certificate and new member photo,

Making Strides

Pros: my soul gets fed; the teaching is clear, thoughtful and forward thinking; the sermons align with the challenges of our current world/society; there's an abundance of ministries to get involved in; WELCOMING staff, clergy and congregation.

We are doing well

More survey's like this to gauge community and congregation needs

Sunday morning is great,

I LOVE that The Park Church has conversations on difficult subjects...do more of them:).
Resource Gaps

I have no transportation and I rely on a neighbor to bring me when he decides to.

I'm still learning. And I'm also in divinity school. Everything is still new.

I want to get started in ministry but my lack of transportation hinders me.

Suggested improvements: website - include a page for all ministries with important information; better organization and follow-up after joining; share required class schedules after the KCIO class.

It would help if there was some type of transportation provided for many in the neighborhood.

I would like to receive counseling to be a more effective ambassador for Christ.

Resource Gaps

A place to meet and greet after church, maybe a canteen or something like that.

List links on the web page where group activities can be found

Allow the website to be a place where lots of information can be found about activities, upcoming events and resources.

Sometimes, I'd prefer to download previous sermons on my computer...how do we do that? I know it's there but I think
Challenges with Engagement

some supposedly leaders aren’t friendly or welcoming at all... I signed up for the clean up ministry after church and never got a call from anyone. Everyone wants to be seen and not really doing the work as needed...

Experiencing God class was great content but the facilitator was not consistent and I feel like she had too much going on to teach at times. It did not meet regularly and we would not know if we had a class until the day of or maybe he day before and as late as an hour before.

When you are facing challenging situations like infertility it is difficult to engage in some context and protect your emotional health at the same time

Challenges with Engagement

Find leaders that really want to lead and not just there for show...

we are a big church and sometimes it seems like all of leadership is aware of what other parts of the church may be involved in. That would be with any church however or our size

Understanding that families go through spiritual transitions which means that their needs shift. It’s not that we don’t Love the Lord, we are making sure we hear from the Lord and move when he says move

Be transparent regarding ministry meeting times, so that office employees can answer questions. Hold more ministry events at BFR location for members who live nearby.

Bolster/utilize the bookstore. Encourage people to stay after service- announce/talk about the kitchen and meal; possibly create a coffee cafe in the lobby or a place easily accessible by all. I believe this would help other congregants to meet one another in a near seamless way.
Challenges with Engagement

Think there are more things we can offer at the independence location

Perhaps find out what congregants do for a living or what expertise lies where to help others grow professionally. Garner talent inside the church.

For ministry to seek to meet members where they are; find out what they are in need of. I think that promotes significant engagement and active participation.

I would identify more detail teaching especially to our teens

and people willing to serve as they say they are....too many chiefs and no indians aren't how you get more people to join in activities...

Discern change in seasons and shifts. It’s a challenge when you see a shift from the pew but the pulpit cannot pick up on the shift

Challenges with Engagement

Follow through. Sunday morning is great, but beyond that not so much.

The many ministries available seem to get lost and only spoken about in KCIO.

but nothing after that. The Park seems like it's spread too thin -- there appear to be enough volunteers to fully support one location, not three. As a result, communications are insufficient
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| Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church? | No, if no, please explain the reason: Moved out of state. |
| Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/volunteering in activities at The Park Church? | No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering) Moved out of state |
| Q3 Do you believe your ministry service/volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? | Please explain your response: N/A |

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

I enjoyed everything about the park church and visit when I am in town. I feel that the new members classes should be conducted over a shorter period of time, maybe one day maybe from 8 to 3 or 4 with a lunch break. Also, members should be made aware that they are suppose to choose a ministry to join at the end of the class and that there is another class that they are suppose to take (Experiencing God). The list of ministries and ministry leaders is outdated and some of the materials for the new members class is outdated.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what we can do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

I don't feel that there is anything else and I still attend when I am in town.
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Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response.

Can't think of anything.

Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation:

Office and Administrative Support
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Yes

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?

No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)

Please type your list or reason below:
The time of meeting a doesn't suit my schedule

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?

Yes

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well and or what challenges are you facing?

Comments:
The church has helped me spiritually, mentally and emotionally. I would have lost it but for word of God from Pastor's Bishop Alexander and his Ministers. Thanks all Good richly blessed you.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs?

Comments:
A sign address to members to visit each other, and other duties and responsibilities.

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members?

Comments:
The church should be divided into small units lead by a leader to participate in some activities after that the group should rotate. Eg some members in group A should go to B, C D and vice verse. So that we get to know each other better.

Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation?

Healthcare
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**Q2** Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church? Respondent skipped this question

**Q3** Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? Respondent skipped this question

**Q4** Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/end or what challenges are you facing? Comments: Respondent skipped this question

**Q5** Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments: Respondent skipped this question

**Q6** What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response: Respondent skipped this question

**Q7** Which of the following best describes your current occupation: Respondent skipped this question
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| Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry or volunteering in activities at The Park Church? | No (If no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering) |

- Please type your list or reason below:
- I volunteer at Charlotte Mission
- Tutoring

| Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? | Yes |
| Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments: | No challenges everything is going well |

| Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments: | I like sitting on the risers |
| Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response: | Nothing |

| Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation: | Other (please specify):
- Mental health therapist |
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  Plan on doing something that will be my ministry soon |
| Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities support the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? | Yes |
| Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing?Comments: | Getting closer with the Lord |
| Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments: | I think things are fine |
| Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response: | I don't know |
| Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation: | Building, Grounds Cleaning, or Maintenance |
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Please type your list or reason below:
UPKEEP

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church? Yes

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

My current challenge is when I go to Independence and they are having a gun show and have to explain to my kids why they see guns on the church campus

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

Other than the compromise the church is making with the business of the merchandise Mart everything else is going great. The church is still doing great in the community and helping me grow spiritually

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

I believe the leadership is doing enough

Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation: Healthcare
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Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?
Yes (if yes, please list the ministries/activities)
Please type your list or reason below:
Scholarship endowment, Homeless & collecting coats

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?
Yes,
Please explain your response:
I care for the less fortunate

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

Good, The most important thing is that I “get fed” the WORD by Bishop Alexander through the HOLY SPIRIT! HALLELUJAH THANK YOU LORD!!!

Q5 Please tell us specifically what we can do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

Perhaps it would be a good idea to make sure that a life group is started in KCIO, our group pretty much disbursed after our required meetings

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

Again, for new members… make sure that each new member is a part of an existing life group or be a part of a new life group. The church is pretty large & a new member can feel a bit isolated. Thank God I already knew a few folks that attend
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Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation:

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Yes

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Yes (If yes, please list the ministries/activities)
Please type your list or reason below:
Nursery

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?
Yes

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments.
I grew up in a traditional small church...100 to 200 people. So, when my husband and I married 6 years ago and decided to worship at The Park I was challenged, but the word saved me. Then we lost face to face contact with the head of the church. The word is beyond awesome and blesses my soul, but not being in the same space as pastor for weeks at a time is hard. Maybe 1.5 years ago I started volunteering in the children's nursery and attending the married Sunday School Class and that has made me feel more connected.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:
If possible it would be wonderful to have pastor rotate one Sunday a month to each campus. My family worships at Park South South and it would further encourage us to engage with pastor more regularly.

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:
There are numerous activities, but tangible leadership (within arms reach) needs to be stronger. Each campus needs a Sr minister to bring the word when Pastor does not, and pastor has to either rotate or strengthen technology.
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Yes

Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?

No (If no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering)

Please type your list or reason below:

Have not completed the new members class

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?

Yes

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:

The power of the word of the Lord that I receive

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

Maybe have bible studies online

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

They are all good

Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation:

Healthcare
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**Q1 Are you currently attending The Park Church?**

No, if no, please explain the reason:

My fiancé and me aren’t attending the Park Church b/c we both feel that this church doesn’t speak to the needs of our hearts.

**Q2 Are you actively serving in ministry/ or volunteering in activities at The Park Church?**

No (if no, please explain the reason you are not actively serving/volunteering).

Please type your list or reason below:

My fiancé and me aren’t actively serving in ministry b/c we feel that this church is more concerned about its financial growth than its members.

**Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?**

No, please explain your responses:

No, I do not believe my ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to the Park Church. We’re definitely on two different pages.

**Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:**

Upon reflecting on my interactions/experiences at the Park Church, I find it quite misleading as a member. Before joining, it seemed like the people were excited for you and we’re thrilled about you linking up to this ministry. Once I joined and became a bit more personal as far as certain situations unfolded in my life, the interactions became distant. I reached out to certain members to discuss some things and it took several weeks for them to get back to me. That didn’t sit right within my spirit at all.
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Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs. Comments:

Firstly, you can pray and ask the Lord for forgiveness for the things you know you've done wrong and for the things you may not know. Then ask God to show you where you can improve in certain areas where you lack love and compassion for those who are trying to do better but are finding it hard to believe that better exists due to their present circumstances. The Word of God clearly says, “With Love & Kindness have I drawn thee.” You have to be oh so careful who you’re drawing to the Lord in the event that you don’t lose them. These are precious souls you’re dealing with incase you’ve forgotten.

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:

For one I'm not a leader nor a follower. I tend to blend in with people. I place myself in their shoes so as to understand them better. I'm no better than anyone on earth. I'm human and imperfectly human.

Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation: Other (please specify):

Stay @ home mom
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,  
Please type your list or reason below:
Have not attended new members class yet.

Q3 Do you believe your ministry service or volunteer activities supports the vision and mission that God has given to The Park Church?  
No,  
Please explain your response:
Not currently serving. New members class not completed.

Q4 Reflecting on your interactions/experiences at The Park Church, since joining, what is going well/and or what challenges are you facing? Comments:
Trying to interact and meet other members is a challenge. I work on bible study nights and am not able to interact in a smaller setting with other members.

Q5 Please tell us specifically what can we do to improve your overall experience and assist you and your family in meeting your spiritual needs Comments:
I have had an overall good experience at The Park Church. My spiritual needs are being met.

Q6 What do you identify as a suggestion for The Park Church Leadership Team to consider that could lead to greater engagement and active participation from our members? Please provide any supporting details along with your response:
Finding ways for members to interact in smaller groups. Hold classes on different topics to benefit the whole person.
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Q7 Which of the following best describes your current occupation: Customer Service
Appendix J

Milestone #8

The estimated financial budget of the consultancy project did not require cost, but there are projected costs that will help The Park Church succeed in its quest to recruit and retain membership.

An overhaul of the church website is instrumental in communicating to the church members and its guest. The chart below shows various vendors, along with price plans for church website designs:

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Source: https://abundant.com/what-should-you-pay-for-a-church-website-the-hard-costs/

The Park Church leadership team will determine the appropriate vendor that fits the needs of the church. The chart is an example of vendors, cost, and the services they provide. The chart is used for the sole purpose of the consultancy project and is not a part of The Park Church’s list of perspective website vendors.
Another cost associated with the project is the use of SurveyMonkey, which is used to survey members. Since this survey tool is projected to be used on a quarterly basis, the pricing plan shown below will need to be discussed:

![SurveyMonkey Pricing Plan](image)

**Other Expenses:**

Surveys (and future surveys) will be distributed via email or telephone (no postage costs)

Meetings will be conducted face-to-face or via Zoom (no cost)

This milestone will receive constant updates throughout the life of the consultancy project.
### Appendix K

#### I See You

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• MIT’s and MOP’s in the room  
• Get Connected card is filled out  
• Welcome Packet is provided in the room - “Our Story” | • 24 hours pre-record phone call fromishop Alexander  
• Assimilation Introduction Call  
  - welcome  
  - confirm contact information  
  - dates for PLACE  
  - reminder of Assimilation email  
• First friend assigned  
• more details about KIO/Experience God  
• key contacts at church | • Digital contact from Campus Pastor  
  - phone, text, social media  
  - inviting them to church on Sunday  
  - come and speak after service | • Affinity Ministry Contact  
  - Women’s, Men’s, Singles, Young Adult, Children, Pacesetters  
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• Reminder of next KIO, if missed |

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• KIO continues  
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  - Information sent to ministry leaders | • Confirm documentation process  
  - Tool and Resources  
  - Assign care team member within each ministry |
Appendix L

Milestone 1

Statement of Purpose

Through research, The Park Church learned that some ministries were operating at very low participation rates. In November 2015, church leadership conducted a needs assessment with all ministry leaders. The outcomes from the assessment showed that ministries needed more volunteers, improved communication between ministries and church leaders, and there were signs of burnout. This challenge prompted church leadership to focus on ministry leadership development, hoping that well trained ministry leaders would reduce burnout and improved ministry participation.

Problem Statement

The Park Church, like most religious organizations, has been having difficulties recruiting and retaining church volunteers. The church was aware of the extremely busy lifestyles its members are living nowadays. Low volunteer participation caused burnout and stress to the few that volunteer on a regular basis. Also, the lack of volunteers negatively impacts services the church provides for its members and the community. To successfully recruit volunteers, the church must be able to explain in an enthusiastic, informative, and convincing manner what the church is about, and why someone would want to be a part of it. Equally important was placing the new members in positions that are compatible, satisfying, and challenging.

Background of Organization

The Park Church is one of the largest churches in the Charlotte metropolitan area with approximately 8,000 members. The church currently operates three locations in the Charlotte
area, while owning and operating The Park Expo and Conference Center. Two worship services are performed each Sunday, along with live stream worship at all locations.

Appendix M

Milestones 2

1.1 Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

Instructions: List any acronyms and abbreviations that are used throughout your consultancy projects.

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Appendix N

Milestones 3

Initial / Preliminary Objectives & Scope

1.2 Key Success Criteria

Objectives of Consultancy Project

Goal 1:
To improve attendance in KCIO.

Goal 2:
Create a KCIO timeframe that supports new member assimilation and through understanding of PLACE

Goal 3:
Reallocate current resources to strengthen KCIO and PLACE structure.

- Minister In Training teaching PLACE
- No food service staff on additional Saturday; No full meal

1.3 In Scope

Overall Scope of Consultancy Project
The scope of this consultancy project will focus on encouraging new members to volunteer in various church ministries. This project will also target existing members who are unengaged in ministry participation.

1.4 Out of Scope

Participants who are not entering a service ministry will not be included in the scope of this project.
Milestone 4

Summary of the Business

Objectives

1) Streamline assimilation and engagement process.

2) Utilize surveys and focus groups as means to assess new members.

3) Create a strategy to follow-up on new members who do not respond to contact attempts.

4) Develop a recruiting strategy to appeal to unengaged members.

5) Host a Step Up Ministry Fair to increase the percentage of members actively serving.

Financial Impacts

The financial impact that will come from this consultancy project would be the increase of donations. The increase in donations is projected to be a result of increasing and retaining the membership.

Productivity Impacts

Productivity impact will occur with the increase of ministry participation. Surveys will be distributed to new members each quarter. Survey data will be reviewed and presented to church leadership.
### Appendix P

**Milestone 5**

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<td>Church officials should be aware of new churches, their locations, and styles of worship. They should see if their membership is shifting towards those churches.</td>
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<td>Prospective new members are undecided</td>
<td>Prospective new members may change their minds after expressing interest. They may also be influenced by others to visit and/or participate in their church.</td>
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<td>High</td>
<td>Church officials should follow-up with prospective members to see why they did not attend KCIO (new member orientation).</td>
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<td>Limited resources</td>
<td>Volunteerism is very low for many service ministries. Amount of money directed towards many ministries is almost non-existent.</td>
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<td>High</td>
<td>The church officials will constantly remind members that donations and volunteers are always needed and welcomed.</td>
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Appendix Q

**Milestone #6**

The consultancy project will be planned and executed as follow:

The number of volunteers will be tracked via a database of individuals participation in each ministry and/or event. Surveys will be distributed throughout the year (and consultancy project) to determine if the volunteer environment need improvements. Meetings with the church leaders usually involve suggestions/recommendations to assist in the increase of volunteers. A new committee has recently been created to focus on recruitment and retention of volunteers. This new committee will check the “pulse” of each ministry and determine what resources are needed to help it to thrive. Discussions centered around the church’s website design, along with social media platforms will take place in the very near future. A SWOT analysis will be shared with the committee that will reflect areas of pertaining to the church website and social media sites that need improvements.

**Assumption:** A high number of church members participate in church activities.
**Documentation:** During the month of January 2017, the Pastor challenged the congregation to “Step Up” and join at least one of the various ministries and to volunteer in events sponsored by the church. The targeted population was: existing members who had not taken PLACE in the past 12 months and members that joined the church, but never completed the PLACE class.

**Validation:** Based on a survey from earlier this year, 98 individuals registered to attend PLACE classes, 32 individuals attended the PLACE class, and 66 did not attend the PLACE class.

**Restrictions (Constraints):**

- Budget limitations
- Church leaders slow to respond to requests
- Changes in church staff familiar with consultancy project
- Constant changes in the agenda of church leadership
- Limitations in resources

This milestone will receive constant updates throughout the life of the consultancy project.
### Appendix R

#### Milestone #7

**Project Action Plan**

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<th>Timeline</th>
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<th>Formative Assessment Method</th>
<th>Goal</th>
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<td>Increased the number of volunteers</td>
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<td>Cleaner looking / Better organized website</td>
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Research the best social media sites to use.

October 2017

Church Leadership / Volunteers

Survey(s)

Throughout the year

Social media prioritization

Increased traffic on sites

This milestone will receive constant updates throughout the life of the consultancy project.

Appendix S

Milestone #8

The estimated financial budget of the consultancy project did not require cost, but there are projected costs that will help The Park Church succeed in its quest to recruit and retain membership.

An overhaul of the church website is instrumental in communicating to the church members and its guest. The chart below shows various vendors, along with price plans for church website designs:
The Park Church leadership team will determine the appropriate vendor that fits the needs of the church. The chart is an example of vendors, cost, and the services they provide. The chart is used for the sole purpose of the consultancy project and is not a part of The Park Church’s list of perspective website vendors.

Another cost associated with the project is the use of SurveyMonkey, which is used to survey members. Since this survey tool is projected to be used on a quarterly basis, the pricing plan shown below will need to be discussed:


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Church website companies plans vary widely and not all features are publicized. This chart compares plans that most closely match Aboundant’s plan as of 7/17/15

$ - Additional fee required to add this feature.

* - Aboundant will not discriminate based on individual church practices or beliefs.
Other Expenses:

Surveys (and future surveys) will be distributed via email or telephone (no postage costs)

Meetings with are conducted face-to-face or via Zoom (no cost)

This milestone will receive constant updates throughout the life of the consultancy project.

Appendix T

Milestone #9
1.

**Plan:** Increase the participation rates of KCIO (Kingdom Citizen Institute Orientation) graduation.

**Do:** There was a change in the length of time new members attend class on Saturdays. Instead of attending a full day on Saturday, new members now attend on Saturday morning and return an additional Saturday morning during the month. At this time, I am unsure if the participation rate has increased.

**Check:** This activity continues at the present time.

**Act:** This activity was followed and executed. Follow-up with KCIO will continue.

2.

**Plan:** Redesign church website and/or research new website designers.

**Do:** The website issue was discussed with the leadership team.

**Check:** They are very receptive of the issue and are aware that it is a concern that needs to be addressed. Website was thoroughly examined and concerns were documented.

**Act:** Plan was followed and executed. There is no timeline for the church website to be updated.

3.
Plan: Research the best social media platforms that will keep members informed and engaged, while increasing traffic onto sites.

Do: Thoroughly researched activity on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest, and YouTube.

Check: The church is currently streaming worship services on Facebook Live, as well as its primary website. Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook are active and have current postings. Pinterest and YouTube had no current postings. I learned that the church distributes a newsletter via email on a regular basis.

Act: This activity was followed and executed. No follow-up is planned at this time.

4.

Plan: Distribute surveys to new members and church-wide to obtain feedback on church related experiences.

Do: Several surveys have been distributed via email.

Check: The most recent survey had a 25.4% response rate. 18 out of 71 invitations responded. Follow-up telephone calls will be made to those that did not respond. Individuals who are no longer attending the church will be removed from the database. Church-wide survey was discussed at the leadership team meeting.

Act: The Step-Up Committee was formed and will provide strategies to implement improve recruitment and retention.
Milestone 10

Smart Objectives

Increase KCIO graduation rates

Increase participation rates in service ministries

Increase KCIO for ½ day for PLACE ministry

Improve communication between ministries and volunteers

Outcomes: Comparison data for the KCIO graduation rates and participation rates in service ministries have been requested but was not available at this time. KCIO weekend (1st weekend of the month) was shorten on Saturday (½ day), but a (½ day) was added to the 3rd Saturday of each month that focuses on PLACE. A survey was conducted to assess the KCIO experience. Surveys were conducted to evaluate new member experience after joining the church. Data collected will assist in improving communication gaps that exist between existing volunteers and new members.

Improve church website and/or research new website designers.

Outcomes: There is no timeline for the church website to be updated.

Increase social media traffic on various platforms.

Outcomes: The church is currently streaming worship services on Facebook Live, as well as its primary website. Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook are active and have current postings. Pinterest and YouTube had no current postings. I learned that the church distributes a newsletter via email on a regular basis.

Major Issues Encountered
The issues or concerns that were encountered did not threaten to derail the consultancy project.

Changes in staff: During the consultancy project, there were a few changes in the church’s staff roles. This was caused by resignations from the organization or staff realignment. These were individuals were directly involved with the consultancy project. The church did a good job in communicating the changes, as to not upset the progress of the consultancy project.

Organizational Benefits

The Step Up Engagement Ministry was created to provide strategic planning increasing and improving new member and volunteer engagement. Several surveys, observations, interviews, were conduct. Through constructive feedback the organization will be able to make the necessary adjustment to achieve its goals.

Budget Performance

The estimated financial budget of the consultancy project did not require cost, but there are projected costs that will help The Park Church succeed in its quest to recruit and retain membership. The Park Church leadership team will determine the appropriate vendor that fits the needs of the church.

- An overhaul of the church website is instrumental in communicating to the church members and its guest.
- Another cost associated with the project is the use of SurveyMonkey, which is used to survey members.
- Surveys (and future surveys) will be distributed via email or telephone (no postage costs)
Meetings with are conducted face-to-face or via Zoom (no cost)

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Reflection

This project did not cause any extreme challenges for me. I was fortunate because I think the church was considering or had been in discussions on how to increase their volunteer participation. I am thankful that the church leadership took time to invest in my suggestions and recommendations. They also did a good job with providing me with quality information to assist in my project. There was great communication among all parties working towards achieving our goal.

I was able to grow professionally through by the project presentations required in each class. As with members in my cohort, my job does not require me to speak publicly very often. This prepared me to present my survey findings to the church’s leadership team without any problems. I have also been more confident in presenting to audiences with my employer.

I was a little surprised that the church leadership was aware of some of the issues that were presented to them. I was more surprised that they have taken little action to resolve these issues, such as the antiquated website. It was comforting to know that they accepted the survey results and valued the information that was given.

Overall, I enjoyed working on this project and I’m sure I will continue working with the Step-Up Engagement Ministry in the future. Working with the church on this project
is different from any other organization, because I have a special connection. I plan to use the skills and knowledge learn from DEOL in my personal and professional life.