

Toward a Stronger Future / Missional Church Primer Follow up Reflection and Discussion for Sessions

Both "Toward a Stronger Future" and "Missional Church Primer" explore three key missional themes:

- Western society as a mission field
- The mission of God (*missio Dei*)
- The church as contrast community

After reading and reflecting on the two papers, take a moment and honestly assess where your church is in relation to these missional themes by circling the number that best represents where your church is right now (not where you would like it to be).

Our church is a cross cultural mission outpost to our own culture.	1	2	3	4	5	Our church sees itself as challenging generally "Christianized" people to genuine relationship with Christ mission
Our church is a sending church (We pray and give so others may go).	1	2	3	4	5	Our church is a sent church (We pray and give and go)
Mission is something we do (programs and people supported by the church).	1	2	3	4	5	Mission is at the core of who we are as God's people
Our church's energies are devoted to attracting people to the church.	1	2	3	4	5	Our church's energies are devoted to equipping and sending people out.
Our sense of community grows out of meeting each other's needs.	1	2	3	4	5	Our community grows because we serve each others.
Our leadership seeks God's vision, articulates it, and mobilizes people to accomplish it	1	2	3	4	5	Our leadership cultivates an environment in which the church seeks and finds the place God has for it in his mission.
Our church's primary motivation is survival.	1	2	3 (Maintenance)	4	5	Our church's primary motivation is mission.

_____ Total score on your sheet. The closer your score is to 35, the more your church corresponds to the three missional themes.

_____ Average score given by your Session (add the total scores and divide by the number of people doing the assessment).

Is there a significant difference between your score and the average score? Why is this the case?

Would you like to be able to assess your church with a higher score in a year? Why or why not?

If you agree that your church needs to become more missional, what steps do you need to take in the next 3, 6, 9 and 12 months?