

LCF Future Planning

The Leadership Council of LCF is intent on creating a plan for the church for the next 3 to 5 years and is requesting your help in its formation by answering some survey questions and offering your opinions in several different categories. To make the survey more “consumable”, we are splitting those categories into 4 separate parts:

	Survey Topics	Survey Handed Out	Survey Collected
Part I –	Mission, Vision, Target Constituents	10/29/23	11/12/23
Part II –	Worship, Education, Care of the Congregation	11/12/23	11/26/23
Part III –	Mission Outreach, Public Relations, Stewardship	11/26/23	12/10/23
Part IV –	Facilities	12/10/23	12/31/23

This is the first of those four questionnaire parts and also includes some background information about the planning process to give you context as you consider your answers to the survey questions. We stress that your participation is critically important to the success of creating the plan; without the views and opinions of the congregation, the plan will lack meaning.

Perspective:

"Cheshire Puss," she began, rather timidly, as she did not at all know whether it would like the name: however, it only grinned a little wider.

"Come, it's pleased so far," thought Alice, and she went on. "Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?"

"That depends a good deal on where you want to get to," said the Cat.

"I don't much care where---" said Alice.

"Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the Cat.

"--so long as I get somewhere," Alice added as an explanation.

"Oh, you're sure to do that," said the Cat, "but only if you can walk long enough."

--Lewis Carroll, *The Adventures of Alice in Wonderland*

Objective:

Grow the church by creating a succinct, actionable 3-5 year plan that is endorsed and supported by the congregation and has a high probability of increasing the relevance of LCF in Lago Vista and the surrounding region.

Planning Process:

- I. **Create a Survey** for the congregation that is aligned with Plan categories
 - a. Our Mission and Vision
 - b. Our target constituents
 - c. Worship experience
 - d. Christian Education

- e. Care of the congregation
 - i. Pastoral Care
 - ii. Members caring for members
 - iii. Fellowship
 - f. Mission/Outreach (Evangelism)
 - g. Public relations/Promotion (Marketing)
 - h. Stewardship
 - i. Facilities
- II. **Report the Survey Results** to the congregation
- III. **Write the Plan** for growth and improvement based on the outlined categories shown above
- a. From the survey, establish GOALS for LCF
 - b. For each GOAL establish “several” OBJECTIVES.
 - c. For each OBJECTIVE, define a set of ACTIONS that when implemented will achieve the objective.
- IV. **Present the Plan** to the congregation and gain “buy-in” and support

PART I OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE. YOUR RESPONSE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

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LCF Member Questionnaire

Part 1 of 4: Vision, Mission, Target Constituents

I. Vision – (What we want to be)

The stated vision of LCF is:

“LCF is a family of faith connecting people to Christ and to each other.”

Please share your thoughts regarding this Vision. To what extent does it reflect *your* vision for our church? How would you add to or modify this statement to best match your own vision?

II. Mission – (What we do, our purpose)

Our proposed mission statement is as follows:

Lakeside Christian Fellowship of Lago Vista, TX is composed of people called by Jesus Christ to be his representatives in the world. We strive to:

- Inspire worship in our hearts, minds, and actions in honor and celebration of Christ.
- Provide a sanctuary of faith for all people where support, empathy, and a sense of community are realized.
- Cultivate spiritual growth by encouraging each congregant to discern God's presence and guidance.
- Be a catalyst for growth and relevance of the Church.
- Extend our faith beyond our own experience through outreach to those who are unaware of Christ's grace.
- Be Christ's disciples through both local and global mission efforts.

Once again, please offer your ideas regarding this Mission Statement. Do you feel it reflects LCF's mission in the world? If not, how would you modify it? Attach a sheet if necessary.

III. Target Constituents

Please describe the ideal target constituent for LCF (age and circumstances) and offer ideas for how you believe they can most effectively be reached. Attach additional pages if required.

Thank you for your inputs!!