

CONGREGATIONAL STYLE INDICATOR

Following are 11 continuums.

Please mark **ONCE** on each line indicating which way your church tends.

1. Our church expects our pastor to share in leadership.			X			1. Our church expects the pastor to take leadership.
2. Our church makes use of conflict and confrontation.					X	2. Our church seeks to avoid conflict and confrontation.
3. Our church is influenced by history and tradition.				X		3. Our church is influenced by contemporary ideas and trends.
4. Our church's approach to social issues is basically educational, leaving any action to individual conscience.					X	4. Our church's approach to issues is decidedly activist. We have a proven history of taking a stand on social issues as a congregation.
5. Our church feels ethical decisions should be based on absolute standards.					X	5. Our church feels ethical decisions should be made in light of circumstance.
6. Our church emphasizes ABC relationships locally, nationally and internationally.			X			6. Our church minimizes ABC relationships locally, nationally and internationally.
7. Our church is often involved in community affairs.		X				7. Our church is seldom involved in community affairs.
8. Our church's ideas and plans are made by an informal network.				X		8. Our church's ideas and plans are made by the responsible board, committee or task force.
9. In making decisions our church is governed by boards.				X		9. In making decisions our church is governed by the congregation.
10. Decisions are communicated formally through worship, bulletins and newsletter.		X				10. Decisions are communicated informally by bulletin boards, posters, grapevine or other informal network.
11. Our church places much emphasis on giving to ABC national and world mission				X		11. Our church places little emphasis on giving to ABC national and world mission.