

Q15 Comments/Suggestions on pastor's messages (Please provide some thoughts/feedback)...

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I like how the messages are presented and easy to follow. It has been a long time since I have remembered what we have talked about after going home after church each Sunday. The messages are a big reason I go.	8/22/2017 9:12 PM
2	I think the sermon's are easy to understand but Pastor thinks he needs to make them even easier, repeats things more than necessary, making the sermon longer than it needs to be.	8/15/2017 3:46 PM
3	Appreciate all the real life application, and examples from your own struggles.	8/13/2017 10:06 PM
4	Remember to give us "takeaways" or "principles" and such like so we can sink our teeth into the "what do I do next" part of growth and application to our lives.	8/9/2017 2:45 PM
5	Pretty good overall. (Way better than any other pastors we have had). One suggestion would be that to me the sermon seems a little too "teacher" like with the review from last week and power points. Sometimes it reminds me of being in school.	8/9/2017 11:13 AM
6	Through his messages, you can see Pastor is seeking to love Jesus and share this with others. You can see him living out his calling. You can see, without a doubt, that this is his Way of Life. Eph. 2:10	8/5/2017 10:53 PM
7	I DO NOT THINK YOUR SERMONS ARE TOO LONG WHEN THEY ARE TOO LONG!	8/2/2017 9:03 PM
8	Thank you for doing such an amazing job!	7/27/2017 10:58 AM
9	I am so thankful for your ability to communicate God's word in a way that is not preaching but that we are learning together!!	7/26/2017 2:32 PM
10	Love the messages	7/24/2017 6:28 PM
11	Keep continuing to share life stories that fit in to everyone's life and also the message to thoroughly let us young ones get a feel of the Lord through your words.	7/24/2017 11:25 AM
12	Sometimes the messages get lengthy because of the time spent reviewing the last few messages connected to the one being presented for the day. Having reminders of how things connect together is good, but if there are many messages in a series this can overwhelm the message for the day. But messages are very practical and presented in a way that are easy for all to understand, this is appreciated especially for parents with children. I also enjoy the casual manner in which messages are presented. Never feel spoken down to or preached at.. but yet held accountable as a Christian.	7/24/2017 10:10 AM
13	Awesome messages. Appreciate the services.	7/24/2017 10:08 AM
14	Should never be longer than 30 minutes	7/24/2017 9:26 AM
15	Enjoy each and everyone!!	7/23/2017 10:38 PM
16	SO grateful for a Pastor who can give a biblical, inspirational, & applicable message that applies to everyone and is grounded in the Word	7/23/2017 9:24 PM
17	I think pastor Brent is great and really challenges us to go outside our comfort zones	7/23/2017 4:44 PM
18	I do like that there is a general "theme" for a few weeks at a time. It helps it "stick" and also gives time for reflection/change. I like a weekly challenge to leave church with.	7/23/2017 2:21 PM

19	Although the content and the presentation of the messages are great, they are also too long. For someone un-churched visiting, a long message could be an excuse for them not to return. Where we have control, let's limit the excuses for them not to return. For many years, prior to the previous 3 pastors, there have been fulfilling and inspirational messages that lasted only 20 minutes. We have attended other services in Sioux Falls where the sermon is closer to 20 minutes but were also fulfilling and inspirational. From research that I have seen, 20 minutes is the ideal length for a sermon. If the spirit guides you to add content to your sermon as you go, then plan for a shorter sermon and you can still deliver within 20 minutes.	7/23/2017 1:10 PM
20	You do a great job in tying God's word into dsily living and changing ourselves. I think i get lost in all the reviewing of previous messages and would like to jump more i to the message for today.	7/22/2017 10:33 PM
21	I enjoy your messages. The topics are wonderful and applicable. Little too long because of repeating.	7/22/2017 3:11 PM
22	Again, I enjoy the content, delivery and humor, I would just prefer condensed versions.	7/22/2017 2:04 PM
23	We are grateful to have you in our church family! Think you are doing a great job! Messages are very good and broken down at level to easily comprehend. Pastor is very personable!!	7/22/2017 11:38 AM
24	Sometimes messages can get too repetitive. Most people are able to understand after something is said once or twice.	7/21/2017 8:13 PM
25	Please don't feel like you have to tell us each sermon how you are failing to do what your preaching on. When you say we it is understood we all need to strive toward this action or way of thinking in our desire to be more Christ like, to live out our faith.	7/21/2017 3:48 PM
26	Great messages that stick with me all week. You continue to challenge me to be a better servant to others and to continue to grow my relationship with God.	7/21/2017 12:51 PM
27	Although I have had limited experiences of enjoying pastor Brent messages, it is obvious that many are growing closer and deeper to Christ when one interacts with those who hear the messages. Also, the increased interest and excitement of people to attend and hear the messages is an external sign of the positive experiences of people.	7/21/2017 11:17 AM
28	Speaks on a level understandable by all ages and my family appreciates that, everyone can take away something from the message.	7/21/2017 11:14 AM
29	Excellent	7/21/2017 10:56 AM

Q28 What are some areas of need for adult ministries in our church family and our community? What can we provide that we are not providing?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More adult Sunday school	8/27/2017 8:39 PM
2	I am not familiar with what is provided. Perhaps More advertising on what is available.	8/21/2017 4:11 PM
3	We'd love an opportunity to participate in the Financial Peace series by Dave Ramsey at Seeds of Faith	8/15/2017 3:50 PM
4	I feel several young couples are struggling with life issues, trying to think of a way to provide mentor couples for them or ways to help in this stressful time of life.	8/13/2017 10:09 PM
5	men's group or a couples bible study maybe a local service project, group potluck to get to now others better that are outside my group of core regulars	8/13/2017 8:48 AM
6	small group ministries regular and ongoing bible studies offered membership classes marriage encounter type classes	8/9/2017 3:07 PM
7	Small group bible study	8/9/2017 9:47 AM
8	Umm I don't know.	7/31/2017 4:13 PM
9	Marriage family stress	7/31/2017 11:57 AM
10	I feel we drop the ball on the just graduated from high school kids. While there are not many they seem to walk out after church and not stay for SS. Once they have graduated they no longer feel they need to go. Not feeling old enough for adult SS but too old for SS with high school kids. ?? I have no real solution	7/31/2017 8:09 AM
11	More small groups and chances to connect outside of church.	7/27/2017 11:39 PM
12	More small group study groups.	7/27/2017 11:00 AM
13	I really am not sure what we could do. Previously we have tried many different bible studies but do not get a good turn out. I would love to take part.	7/26/2017 2:55 PM
14	Small group ministry and SS no longer exist. Probably because of very poor attendance.	7/25/2017 10:33 AM
15	Have a youth bible study WITH PASTOR!	7/24/2017 11:49 AM
16	Sunday mornings are key to involving adults. Whether it is Sunday School or Bible Study. Once the work week starts along with the kids activities, then on top of that homework, the week is gone... Families struggle to make time for each other the way it is. I am guessing its a different story for those who have kids out of the house. (?)	7/24/2017 10:41 AM
17	Not sure how to go about getting some of the families back that have left because of past ministers but I know that we need to get out an let our presence be known that even if they don't come on a regular bases that they are always welcome and that aren't being judged for not always being there.	7/23/2017 10:50 PM
18	Marriage/stress/relationships/children & how to deal with those issues More people active / helpful with Bread of Life community mission	7/23/2017 9:34 PM
19	I think to have more bibles studies	7/23/2017 4:47 PM
20	more bible study opportunities consistent adult Sunday School	7/23/2017 2:29 PM
21	Would love more bible studies as I teach Sunday school and miss out on adult class...I enjoy learning about the Bible!	7/23/2017 1:20 PM
22	To enhance our adult ministries, we could provide more small group bible studies. A library of resources could be made available to adults and youth.	7/23/2017 1:16 PM

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23	Small groups and fellowship opportunities	7/22/2017 10:35 PM
24	Small groups in homes again.	7/22/2017 6:16 PM
25	More adult Bible study.	7/22/2017 3:17 PM
26	Adult SS would be great or an adults Bible study. I know the response to these has been lacking. Maybe if Pastor Brent would lead a session it would get it going again.	7/22/2017 8:07 AM
27	Meeting in small groups, disciple training	7/21/2017 10:40 PM
28	Smaller group bible studies, life applicable topics, stronger women's group bible study	7/21/2017 12:21 PM
29	There is a need for listening prayer teaching and activation through prayer. There are area ministries that have teaching and healing seminars designed to empower the church to bring Heaven to earth. I can be contacted at 605 366 6560 for more information.	7/21/2017 11:57 AM
30	More small groups choices would be nice.	7/21/2017 11:47 AM
31	More small group bible study opportunities needed.	7/21/2017 10:59 AM

Q29 Any Other Comments/Suggestions on our Adult Ministries (Please provide some thoughts/feedback on how we are doing)...

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Challenge here due to size of church and general issue that both spouses are working and raising families concurrently. We need to poll talent and willingness of church lay persons willing to start up and continue ministry in these areas and how they can become sustainable without all of the work falling on just a few people	8/9/2017 3:07 PM
2	It will get going as we complete the first transition year...it will grow out of who we are as a church under Pastor's leadership.	8/5/2017 10:56 PM
3	It is too bad that we can not get more of the 'talking' adults into Sunday school after church. I really do not have a solution but something to think about because there are quite a few who do not feel they need to go. I do realize that it is a down time without kids and maybe many have not seen each other in a week but I would think they would want to be an example and go to Sunday school.	7/31/2017 8:09 AM
4	Opportunities exist but are often not sought after.	7/26/2017 5:28 PM
5	Not sure what would be something that would get participation!!	7/26/2017 2:55 PM
6	I would like the pastor to be a little more involved with sunday schools of all ages and youth group	7/24/2017 11:49 AM
7	Sunday School is good when its possible.	7/24/2017 10:41 AM
8	We need to have more bible study growth groups active and alive - a way for even community to be a part of if they so choose	7/23/2017 9:34 PM
9	More bible studies for families	7/23/2017 4:47 PM
10	I would like ideas on how to get our younger couples excited about studying/growth opportunities.	7/23/2017 2:29 PM
11	I think that the church does a good job of offering different opportunities for adult ministries	7/23/2017 12:35 PM
12	Have had some visitors visit and they felt that the church is very cliky. This isn't the first time we've heard this either. I think our church needs to do a better job in reaching out to those who we don't necessarily hangout with.	7/22/2017 6:16 PM
13	I know everyone or many are busy in the life of their children. It's what we do now. I just feel it's as important for kids to see our spiritual learning never ends. We learn and are inspired on Sunday morning. But until we dig into the Bible ourselves we don't truly know the "Whole Story" of The Good News.	7/22/2017 8:07 AM
14	There seems to be an assumption of a core group of people that outsiders don't feel they can become a part of or "belong" not sure how to change this or open this up but somehow I feel we should be more aware of new people attending and open up more.	7/21/2017 12:21 PM
15	There continues to be as in the past, an awesome koinanea within Seeds of Faith based out of God's love for each one and is shown outwardly towards each other and the world around us.	7/21/2017 11:57 AM
16	More workshops or small group studies	7/21/2017 10:59 AM

Q34 Other Comments/Suggestions about our Community Impact/Outreach (Please provide some thoughts/feedback on how we are doing)...

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I think we believe we are one of the most compassionate and loving and caring church bodies in this community, but when the rubber meets the road of getting the ministry done, volunteering or attending, it is much more difficult due to many things that offer up roadblocks; two parent working families and lots of young children which create overcommitted schedules. We need to think more community wide in our offerings, instead of just to SOF attendees/members. (look outward instead of inward)	8/9/2017 3:09 PM
2	Like adult ministry, I feel this will grow out of who we are as we continue to transition under Pastor's leadership...	8/5/2017 11:03 PM
3	Different monthly missions that will directly impact our community and those in need. Do more things for the community as a church.	7/27/2017 11:02 AM
4	Should we be doing more at the nursing homes? Should we be doing more for daycare/childcare? If we do an addition could it also be used during the week for daycare? We have a severe shortage of daycare facilities in the Lyon County area.	7/26/2017 2:57 PM
5	we're divided on discipling and evangelism. Don't do either well.	7/25/2017 10:35 AM
6	I'm thinking we do the best we can already, but there is always room for improvement.	7/24/2017 10:43 AM
7	Feel this is a huge area we could improve upon as a church family	7/23/2017 9:35 PM
8	I think we should do more volunteer work for the needy	7/23/2017 4:48 PM
9	I am not sure what it looks like and I am not always aware of the specific needs within the community, but I do wish there was more we could do as a church family.....maybe something more "hands-on" rather than just money donations all the time. ?????	7/23/2017 2:31 PM
10	Our neighbor helping neighbor program is a good program and should be continued. Our charter from God is to make an impact in our community locally, regionally and globally and should be our #1 priority.	7/23/2017 1:20 PM
11	I think we should have something that the whole community is invited to. Think having a float in parade is good idea. Sometimes people aren't aware of a church community that is right in front of them until they actually connect people to it.	7/22/2017 8:16 AM
12	I feel we do a great job reaching out to others. I love how we pray for one another and others in our community.	7/21/2017 12:56 PM
13	There is a need for people to not only know the Great Commission but live it out vibrantly un their lives. This means that intentional prayer should be breaking out on our streets for thd saving of souls, healings of all types and for prayers of empowerment for them to go out to make disciples of all nations! And that can not happen untill the church itself understands and has had it's own personal walk in these areas. There is no better time then NOW!	7/21/2017 12:04 PM
14	Could Improve this area	7/21/2017 10:59 AM

Q38 Other Comments/Suggestions about pastoral care (Please provide some thoughts/feedback)...

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The only think i would like to see here is trying to greet or try to have contact with most people that attend each Sunday. I know that is a tough thing sometimes so I understand the difficulty in that. Maybe greeting by the door or something would reach most people? Just a suggestion.	8/22/2017 9:26 PM
2	Don't know his well enough to comment on this section	8/15/2017 3:51 PM
3	We need to define Pastor Brent's role in the church, make definite moves to transition him to full-time status, because his heart is in full-time passion status already, and have him work with a steering committee to formulate the vision and working 5 year plan for our church and community.	8/9/2017 3:11 PM
4	I feel that our peoples stuff could be so overwhelming. Let us help to make sure you protect your family time and not use yourself up completely!!! God has sent you to us and we dont want to wear you out!!	7/26/2017 3:03 PM
5	I would like pastor to make his way around after church instead of getting swamped with the same group of people...	7/24/2017 11:51 AM
6	I don't have doubts about pastor Brent. I believe he's qualified and capable to handle personal concerns in the church and community.	7/24/2017 10:46 AM
7	I think Brent has done some great work in the short time he has been with our congregation. He is not afraid to take on hard issues and is a great resource for our church and community.	7/24/2017 10:21 AM
8	wondering if it would be ever helpful to have like a committee/group dedicated & passionate/called to helping pastor brent out in the event of nursing home/hospital visits as those needs arise.	7/23/2017 9:36 PM
9	Everything that I have observed so far indicates that you are a caring person. In more difficult situations I have seen you use the bible as the context for a solution, which is ideal. From what I have observed, you are able to keep sensitive items confidential. I would say that you have earned the trust of this congregation.	7/23/2017 1:27 PM
10	Pastor Brent has come in with high expectations/ hopes from the congregation and has exceeded our family's hopes for a new pastor! He is always positive !	7/23/2017 1:23 PM
11	Brent is doing an awesome job - refreshing mix in his messages	7/23/2017 12:38 PM
12	I believe that having the Pastor meet the congregation with the greeters is a great avenue to foster relationships.	7/22/2017 2:11 PM
13	I so appreciate the part that Brent played,in the Moser / Kunzi cattle lead poisoning situation! God bless you Brent! You have no idea just who far reaching that was for you to invite and connect with Rod Bajema minister at the AC Church to come together to offer a venue for the 2 couples to work out their differences. This is the first time ever that another church pastor has been able to connect with the AC church ministers and succssfully work together with them. God richly blessed the meeting by the original resolution through forgiveness and reconciliation. Go Brent! Go God! The spiritual blessings brought through this connection and unity are foundational and very far reaching into the future!	7/21/2017 1:20 PM
14	I feel pastor is very compassionate for our church family. I trust him in any situation and feel I could talk to him about anything.	7/21/2017 12:57 PM
15	I feel at times it is hard to approach pastor as the same core group of people always seems to be talking to him especially on Sundays and I don't want to interfere with their conversations. He is very accessible by phone, email and text privately when needed and that is much appreciated.	7/21/2017 12:24 PM
16	Previous experience with the pastor does not give me too much confidence/trust to go to the pastor for support/guidance. If the need arises I would consider speaking with Brent, but would be cautious in sharing.	7/21/2017 11:28 AM
17	He usually responds in 24 hours or less.	7/21/2017 11:02 AM

Q45 What keeps you coming back to Seeds of Faith?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Relationships and good messages	8/27/2017 8:44 PM
2	I like the messages. Brent makes them easy to follow and interesting.	8/22/2017 9:35 PM
3	The church family, music, messages...	8/19/2017 11:35 PM
4	Convenience, other family members attending	8/15/2017 3:53 PM
5	friends, good message	8/14/2017 10:16 AM
6	fellowship, feeling of community, good pastor	8/13/2017 10:13 PM
7	I was planted here by the holy spirit	8/13/2017 8:58 AM
8	Grew up in THIS church	8/9/2017 9:58 PM
9	a sense of family and community in the church now coupled with a pastor who loves Jesus, loves people and who preaches biblically sound messages.	8/9/2017 3:15 PM
10	Parents	8/9/2017 12:55 PM
11	The genuine, kind people were first what made us open to keep coming back, along with how invested the church is in the children/youth. The addition of Pastor Brent (and his family) and the improvement in worship music closed the deal!	8/9/2017 12:46 PM
12	Friends, family, welcoming environment.	8/9/2017 11:19 AM
13	Our Church Family	8/9/2017 9:52 AM
14	Jesus and the people	8/5/2017 11:04 PM
15	HAPPY AND DIVERSE PEOPLE AND A WONDERFUL PASTOR	8/2/2017 9:31 PM
16	The friendly and welcoming people, the fact that Seeds is a part of our tight-knit community, the opportunity to serve God and others through the church, to worship God with a community of believers, and to be challenged to grow closer to Jesus Christ.	8/1/2017 7:39 AM
17	The people	8/1/2017 12:24 AM
18	Love and family oriented based on truth	7/31/2017 12:04 PM
19	Message and the future. We have a lot of potential and I want to be apart of this great growth.	7/31/2017 8:57 AM
20	The people and it is my church.	7/31/2017 8:21 AM
21	Church Family support	7/28/2017 10:16 AM
22	Close to home, pastor Brent! Love the people.	7/27/2017 11:43 PM
23	Our church family!	7/27/2017 11:07 AM
24	The people, the teaching on Sunday, the vision for the future.	7/26/2017 5:39 PM
25	It is our church! WE will be there when things are bad and when things are. WE WILL BE THERE!! Not sure we could be chased away :)	7/26/2017 3:09 PM
26	the people, the atmosphere, the family feel, music, messages, education (Sunday school, VBS, etc)	7/25/2017 4:36 PM
27	The people truly care about me.	7/25/2017 2:28 PM
28	Family.	7/25/2017 11:59 AM
29	People in church, good pastor/messages	7/25/2017 11:44 AM
30	It's home. It's my family. They're my people. We know we're not perfect. Focus on Jesus.	7/25/2017 10:48 AM

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31	Church family & caring pastor.	7/24/2017 9:49 PM
32	Pastor Brent, Loving people, Great Worship & praise	7/24/2017 6:41 PM
33	Family friendly and welcoming environment!	7/24/2017 11:58 AM
34	Worship on Sunday Morning	7/24/2017 11:11 AM
35	Connection to the other members. Messages, relationship the church has w/ my children.	7/24/2017 10:57 AM
36	The people	7/24/2017 9:35 AM
37	Many reasons where do I begin!!	7/23/2017 11:02 PM
38	Family - both biologically and the friends we have - we feel called to be there for a purpose.	7/23/2017 9:42 PM
39	worship is an important part of my life and being a part of the church family	7/23/2017 9:05 PM
40	The pastor and its like a big family that cares for each other	7/23/2017 4:50 PM
41	I have been going to Seeds of Faith for many years now. This is where my children have grown up. The people here are like my family.	7/23/2017 2:38 PM
42	The messages at Seeds of Faith are bible based. I am becoming closer to God because I am attending Seeds of Faith. I enjoy the fellowship of the other people that attend Seeds of Faith.	7/23/2017 1:37 PM
43	Pastor Brent	7/23/2017 1:29 PM
44	It's our church and has been for 26 years	7/23/2017 1:01 PM
45	I love how i feel welcomed by everybody and the music is upbeat and keeps everybody going.	7/23/2017 12:17 PM
46	Pastor and friends	7/23/2017 7:41 AM
47	The message and fellowship	7/22/2017 10:39 PM
48	It is our church family and we can't imagine not being here.	7/22/2017 7:43 PM
49	The people and their faith and testaments.	7/22/2017 3:24 PM
50	The people, the contemporary service, the sermons	7/22/2017 1:16 PM
51	The people and having a great Pastor!	7/22/2017 12:01 PM
52	The people	7/21/2017 10:47 PM
53	habit	7/21/2017 8:39 PM
54	The people....they are definitely what made us join in the first place!	7/21/2017 4:55 PM
55	Since I have been moved out of the area in the last several years, I do not get back to Seeds of Faith as much but have a deep fondness of the many memories of the church fellowship. I am deeply grateful for my many dear friendships at Seeds of Faith and also for the ministries that I have come to know there over the years.	7/21/2017 2:04 PM
56	I get my cup filled for the week ahead through worship and the message - I feel I have grown in my faith.	7/21/2017 12:31 PM
57	community/location/family/pastors message	7/21/2017 11:33 AM
58	fellow church members	7/21/2017 11:11 AM
59	Feels like family atmosphere most of the time and good biblical teaching	7/21/2017 11:08 AM
60	Feeling of acceptance, friendship and caring about me. It really is my family	7/21/2017 11:00 AM
61	People, pastor	7/21/2017 10:58 AM

Q46 How is your life and/or your family different because of our Seeds of Faith family?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We've grown closer to God and closer as a family.	8/19/2017 11:35 PM
2	im still kicking	8/14/2017 10:16 AM
3	more opportunities for myself and my family to be involved than at my last church.	8/13/2017 10:13 PM
4	I believe that my children have there our personal relationship with our lord and savior, without guilt, or pleasing there parents	8/13/2017 8:58 AM
5	Under good pastoral leadership, the passion for SOF and our role there has been rekindled and renewed going forward. We are excited to attend church and be involved, versus feeling before like we were just surviving and performing tasks out of necessity.	8/9/2017 3:15 PM
6	For the first time in my adult life, I feel like my family belongs to a church family, and that we are cared for by the people there. That feeling of belonging is important and impactful in life and we feel blessed being part of Seeds of Faith.	8/9/2017 12:46 PM
7	We look forward to going to church every week.	8/9/2017 11:19 AM
8	the people are hands and feet of Jesus, they show they care	8/5/2017 11:04 PM
9	Been there for me in some very hard times.	7/28/2017 10:16 AM
10	We feel that we are part of a family that is there to support us no matter what.	7/27/2017 11:07 AM
11	Sunday service help us to grow.	7/26/2017 5:39 PM
12	Not sure	7/26/2017 3:09 PM
13	I feel like there's always somewhere to go to forget your worries for a couple hours and really feel at home no matter what.	7/25/2017 4:36 PM
14	I enjoy the sermons more.	7/25/2017 11:59 AM
15	It is the city of refuge for me and my family.	7/25/2017 10:48 AM
16	It impacts my daily life and choices.	7/24/2017 9:49 PM
17	Makes us stronger	7/24/2017 6:41 PM
18	We are more accepting to different people when they come to church	7/24/2017 11:58 AM
19	Supportive members reaching out during the work week in love and prayers, not just on Sunday mornings.	7/24/2017 11:11 AM
20	We know we have people that care about us and if we ever needed something they would be there for us. They keep my faith stronger b/c of their examples to me and my family.	7/24/2017 10:57 AM
21	Part of a larger family	7/24/2017 9:35 AM
22	able to use gifts and talents both in church and in community	7/23/2017 9:42 PM
23	it is great to have an extended family to lean on when needed.. they are always there with support and prayers.	7/23/2017 9:05 PM
24	Gives us support	7/23/2017 4:50 PM
25	The people here have been there for us through some tough trials and helped gotten us through them. There are several people within our congregation that I consider spiritual mentors. I look to their wisdom and knowledge in my own faith walk.	7/23/2017 2:38 PM
26	I have developed a more personal and deeper relationship with God.	7/23/2017 1:37 PM

27	We've watched grow through the years - it's been a journey with a lot of ups and downs. It's part of our family	7/23/2017 1:01 PM
28	We enjoy coming to church now.	7/23/2017 12:17 PM
29	We talk about God more often in our home	7/22/2017 10:39 PM
30	We always know that if we need something that someone from the church will be there for us.	7/22/2017 7:43 PM
31	We are more involved with church. It is helping my adult children overcome being raised in a different faith.	7/22/2017 3:24 PM
32	We feel at home...and loved!	7/22/2017 12:01 PM
33	Better connected to the community	7/21/2017 10:47 PM
34	Connections to great people and families in our community.	7/21/2017 4:55 PM
35	My life was transformed during the time I was at Seeds of Faith starting around 10 years ago. Seeds of Faith was a safe place I went to to rest, heal and grow. This family unconditionally loved me throughout this time. I am eternally grateful!	7/21/2017 2:04 PM
36	We openly discuss messages and meaning at home. What we learn on Sunday sticks with us.	7/21/2017 12:31 PM
37	I think I have grown as a Christian	7/21/2017 11:11 AM
38	We have grown spiritually	7/21/2017 11:08 AM

Q47 How is Lyon County different because of our Seeds of Faith family?

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1	Not sure. I know it is good for me and my family.	8/22/2017 9:35 PM
2	Hopefully we have been an example as we reach out to others in need in our community.	8/13/2017 10:13 PM
3	A pastor who has a sense of a wider vision than just for our church, which is impacting everything about who he is and how he conducts himself.	8/9/2017 3:15 PM
4	Bread of life, VBS programs are very good.	8/9/2017 11:19 AM
5	I'm new...so I'm not sure yet...still paying attention	8/5/2017 11:04 PM
6	Lots of families that have left their old churches because they weren't feeling accepted feel very loved in our church!	7/28/2017 10:16 AM
7	I don't know that it is as much as it could be.	7/26/2017 5:39 PM
8	Not sure	7/26/2017 3:09 PM
9	I feel like Lyon County is more caring and has open arms because of the members of SOF and those that the members have touched.	7/25/2017 4:36 PM
10	We are salt and light to Lyon county. Sometimes like salt in a wound, other times like flavor to food. Sometimes like bright light in your eyes, other times to overcome darkness.	7/25/2017 10:48 AM
11	We are known as the welcoming church and when people feel like they don't have a church they can go to ours.	7/24/2017 9:49 PM
12	i think that people feel happy to know that there is a church that people can attend even if they aren't members	7/24/2017 11:58 AM
13	Open doors to welcome all people from different walks of life, to come worship our Lord and fellowship with other believers.	7/24/2017 11:11 AM
14	People have food and other supplies thru the donations to Bread of Life. People have had bills paid or gotten financial support for needs thru Neighbor helping Neighbor. children are encouraged to follow Jesus thru Sunday School activities and VBS.	7/24/2017 10:57 AM
15	The mission help we provide and the way we pray for others	7/24/2017 9:35 AM
16	i feel it is a loving place to go and feel everyone is welcome.	7/23/2017 9:42 PM
17	Don't know	7/23/2017 4:50 PM
18	We take care of others in the county so that their life is better. Hopefully, leading by example is making Lyon County a more Christ like community.	7/23/2017 1:37 PM
19	They can see the diversity of people, many young families, which have united to help our grow and reach out	7/23/2017 1:01 PM
20	We make people happier.	7/23/2017 12:17 PM
21	Where would it be without the "love" church?A	7/22/2017 12:01 PM
22	Not sure	7/21/2017 10:47 PM
23	Unimpacted	7/21/2017 8:39 PM
24	The foundational scriptural teaching and lives of people at Seeds of Faith touches everyone around them as they show it.	7/21/2017 2:04 PM
25	Helps with local missions and community involvement with VBS and youth groups	7/21/2017 11:08 AM

Q48 What do you see as your role in contributing to the life and mission of our Seeds of Faith family? (Are there areas where you would be willing and able to participate in the ministry of Seeds of Faith?)

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1	I would consider on some committees.	8/22/2017 9:35 PM
2	As an mother with older kids I feel I could help the younger mothers as I remember how overwhelming those years can be.	8/13/2017 10:13 PM
3	my role is to follow the holy spirit in my life and see how that plugs me into our church.	8/13/2017 8:58 AM
4	women's ministry needs mentoring lay preaching when needed	8/9/2017 3:15 PM
5	Areas related to music	8/9/2017 12:46 PM
6	I'm excited to fine tune my role!	8/5/2017 11:04 PM
7	I would be willing and able to contribute in the music ministry. Other areas too, but music is my favorite :)	8/1/2017 7:39 AM
8	I want to help in any area I can!	7/31/2017 8:57 AM
9	I would love to become more actively involved in things but it seems that the same people are always nominated to be on the committees.	7/27/2017 11:07 AM
10	I am not sure what areas there are to be involved in.	7/26/2017 5:39 PM
11	I am open to helping Right now I organize the childrens church and am open to making this better. Not sure what better is?	7/26/2017 3:09 PM
12	I feel like worship through music and teaching kids about Jesus in Sunday school and VBS.	7/25/2017 4:36 PM
13	Small group and SS	7/25/2017 10:48 AM
14	If it comes up with friends or people I know that they don't have a church or don't like their church I always invite them.	7/24/2017 9:49 PM
15	I would gladly attend a confirmation class or youth bible study....	7/24/2017 11:58 AM
16	Would like to focus on a Out Reach Program for College Students and Young Adult Singles. Post High School Kids are getting Lost in the Church Family. Investing in them more would be advantageous.	7/24/2017 11:11 AM
17	I help with VBS, Sunday School, and other children ministries. I would like to do more with Bread of Life but struggle w/ the time and other commitments.	7/24/2017 10:57 AM
18	I feel pretty involved right now and I'm pretty comfortable	7/24/2017 9:35 AM
19	Youth/Mentorship/bible study	7/23/2017 9:42 PM
20	I can see myself/family helping in bible study areas, community missions, etc.....Sometimes I just need a little push to "get out of my stubborn comfort zone."	7/23/2017 2:38 PM
21	I pray everyday that I do God's will. I have not received a firm answer yet.	7/23/2017 1:37 PM
22	open to different serving opportunities	7/23/2017 1:29 PM
23	Have been involved in many capacities through out the years and still am involved on a limited basis. Would be nice to see some younger families step up	7/23/2017 1:01 PM
24	I like helping with bringing music to people.	7/23/2017 12:17 PM
25	I would volunteer with children's church and a nursery if we had one.	7/22/2017 7:43 PM
26	Yes, inviting others to come worship with us.	7/22/2017 3:24 PM

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27	A work in progress...always room for improvement.	7/22/2017 12:01 PM
28	Willing to help but not sure what help is needed.	7/21/2017 10:47 PM
29	I continue to lift up Seeds of Faith in prayer and am open to mentoring young men and men as the Lord leads. Also, I invite you all to Dunamis, a series of teaching, healing, empowering weekends for those who want to learn how to cooperate with the Holy Spirit and how to hear from God. And the expressed reason for this is for the advancement of the Kingdom of God starting in the local church. To the glory of the Lord! For more information, contact me or Troy Kooima and we will give you more information.	7/21/2017 2:04 PM
30	Support and serve	7/21/2017 11:08 AM

Q51 - How supportive are you of the proposal to build a new sanctuary and children's education area?

16 Comments

1	i think its a great idea but dont think that we are ready financially at this time
2	First - make Brent Full-time pastor/then we proceed with building plans.
3	I haven't done my part to stay informed...but I will!
4	No need for 400 seat sanctuary and our church is way to young of congregation to go into that kind of debt!!!!
5	Right now, I feel that our church is not growing enough to justify adding on. This takes a great deal of money, and I feel that our money can right now be utilized for other things for our church and community. We aren't even filling the Sunday school rooms that we have, so why do we need to add on?
6	I believe we need a fellowship hall and that our church would grow if we had one. But I believe we first of all need a full time pastor and a plan for the future.
7	Bible School is a great way to see why we need a sanctuary and a dining room.
8	I agree with building to the extent of practicality and by raising enough funds for 1/2 of what we build before the project starts.
9	i believe it is needed, but also we are not in a position to do this if we don't know what we are doing denominationally
10	Just don't want the church to get financially burdened as we have been in a church where pledges were not fulfilled and they were constantly begging for money
11	I think that we need to fill the pews more consistently before going forward.
12	To big and the amount of money. Lets work on building weak areas in our church to grow first
13	I am totally in agreement with the education upgrade. As for the the new sanctuary, I do not see a strong need for this at this time. We are in no means running out of seating each Sunday. I also feel that it is a lot of money and we habe mostly young families. I think we should focus on the Sunday school rooms now and if we find that we need more room for our sanctuary needs then we look at that then.
14	The church appears to sufficiently accommodate those interested in attending.
15	The financial issue is what I'm concerned about. If we don't have enough money to even hire a full time minister why would we take on more debt. I agree there is a great need for more SS rooms. What about some sort of temporary building to address that need for the immediate future.
16	I am praying for wisdom, understanding and unity.