

NEW FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

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“Living Life to the Max” Personal Spiritual Growth Assessment

Welcome to **“Living Life to the Max”** Personal Spiritual Growth Assessment!

Pastor Felder invites you to participate in a personal conversation between you and God. Reflecting on where you are in these areas of your Christian walk, will help you gain a clearer understanding of strengths and areas of growth whether you are a new or seasoned believer. The Personal Spiritual Growth Assessment, and all that will follow, begins our season of Living Life to the Max.

Personal Spiritual Growth Assessment

On the following pages, read the statements for each of the Six Essentials (**Gather, Connect, Serve, Influence, Devotion, Compassion**). For each statement, respond based on the scale provided. Total the numbers in each section as indicated. Then, after finishing the assessment and reviewing your totals for each of the Six Essentials, complete **My Personal Plan for Spiritual Growth**.

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GATHER worshiping with others is an important part of your journey.

HOW ARE YOU DOING?

Never – 1 Rarely – 2 Occasionally – 3 Frequently – 4 Always – 5

_____ I make an effort to attend Sunday services weekly.

_____ When I attend Sunday mornings, I arrive on time and stay after service for a few minutes to connect with and encourage others.

_____ I can fully engage in Sunday morning worship services, remaining free of distractions.

_____ I experience God through the teaching and worship on Sunday mornings.

_____ I listen for the one thing God wants me to take away from the Sunday morning message, take notes and I take steps to put it into practice.

GATHER Total: _____

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Take the New Member class on "Praise & Worship" and/or "Church Attendance" for more information on this topic.

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CONNECT connecting with God and with others in community.

HOW ARE YOU DOING?

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_____ I am currently in a Unity group (Includes Bible reading, prayer, and transparent life sharing).

_____ I am currently in a Bible Study.

_____ I take advantage of special events at New Faith to connect with others. (Game Night, women’s/men’s events, singles events, etc.)

_____ I volunteer in a ministry at New Faith and attend ministry meetings.

_____ I have friendships with my New Faith family outside of the building.

CONNECT Total: _____

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Take the New Member class on “Ministry Open House” to learn about the various ministries at New Faith.

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SERVE living with purpose.

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- _____ I use my God-given strengths, talents, and spiritual gifts to serve my New Faith family.
- _____ I consider myself to be a part of the New Faith family and I am involved/connected through serving.
- _____ I am others focused - sacrificing self in order to prefer others.
- _____ I take advantage of opportunities that help me discover my passions, gifts and talents.
- _____ I am involved in a ministry that reflects my passion or “calling.”

SERVE Total: _____

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Take the New Member class on “Spiritual Gift” and “Serving Works in the Church” for more information on this topic.

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INFLUENCE inviting others.

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- _____ I consciously look for ways to bring God into normal daily conversations.
- _____ I live my life in such a way that acquaintances who I interact with on a regular basis know that I’m a Christian.
- _____ I build opportunities into my life to form relationships with a variety of people.
- _____ I invite my friends and acquaintances to visit New Faith for Sunday services, Bible studies or special events.
- _____ I come alongside new believers and help them take the next steps in maturing their faith.

INFLUENCE Total: _____

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Take the New Member class on “Evangelism/Witnessing” for more information on this topic.

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DEVOTION pausing to listen to God.

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- _____ I read my bible daily, memorize scripture and have a plan for the time I spend in God’s Word.
- _____ I ask the Holy Spirit for understanding of scriptures and how I can apply them to my life.
- _____ During my prayer time, I take time to pause and listen to God.
- _____ I connect with God throughout the day – praising Him, calling on Him for strength from temptation to sin, and confessing quickly when I have fallen short.
- _____ I am able to keep unproductive thoughts and activities from consuming my time and distracting me from full devotion to God.

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DEVOTION Total: _____

Take the New Member class on “Daily Reading of the Bible,” “Prayer”, and “Fasting” for more information on this topic.

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COMPASSION spending time, money, or labor for someone else.

HOW ARE YOU DOING?

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_____ I use my time, talents, finances, and resources to bless others.

_____ I am handling my finances in a way that is pleasing to God.

_____ I factor in my tithes and offerings as a regular percentage of my monthly spending.

_____ I give to God from my “first fruits” as opposed to waiting until everything else is paid for and giving God a portion of what is left over.

_____ I am a cheerful giver.

COMPASSION Total: _____

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Take the New Member class on “Tithing”, “Offering”, and “Social Justice/Missions” for more information on this topic.

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Now that you have completed this assessment, you are prepared to develop a personal plan for spiritual growth. Review each of the Six Essentials, noting your highest and lowest totals. Remember that the objective is to **discover where God wants to initiate growth in your life**. It is then your responsibility to take it seriously and plan for growth in the specific areas that have been identified.

Identifying Areas of Strength

In reviewing your Personal Assessment, rank your totals for the Six Essentials (**Gather, Connect, Serve, Influence, Devotion, Compassion**) in the order from highest to lowest:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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Identifying Areas for Growth

After prayerful consideration, identify which of the Six Essentials you should focus on in order to experience personal growth and write them in the space below.

1.

2.

3.



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Looking at the Essential(s) you identified as areas for growth, set some measurable personal spiritual growth goals below and include the date.

Examples of measurable personal spiritual growth goals:

- Make Sunday worship services a priority.
- Connect with others by joining a small group.
- Volunteer in a ministry that reflects my passion.
- Invite friends to Sunday services, Bible studies or special events.
- Establish daily quiet time for prayer, Bible reading or devotionals.
- Invest time in others by praying for them during Tuesday evening prayer.
- Commit to consistent financial giving.
- Take one of the classes in the new member course for more assistance in the area of needed improvement. The New Member course is offered twice a year, January and September.

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My spiritual Growth Goals are *(list goals and include a date):*

1.

2.

3.



Keep these goals before you and **pray daily** for the Holy Spirit to work in your life in these areas. Review every *3-6 months*. Continue to set new personal spiritual growth goals in seeking a deeper and more meaningful Christian walk.

You should not become discouraged if you do not achieve your goals as quickly as you would like. Remember that discipleship is a *lifelong* process, and He continually is at work in you, forming you into the image of Christ.

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We encourage you to prayerfully consider sharing these results with another person – someone who will *pray for you* and *walk alongside you* as you continue your journey with the Lord.

My personal observations about each essential:

GATHER:

CONNECT:

SERVE:

INFLUENCE:

DEVOTION:

COMPASSION:



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Congratulations!

You have completed the first step to ***Living Life to the Max.***
You are now ready for the next step which will be presented at the churchwide gathering which will be announced soon.

