

Church Evaluation

Remind yourself that you're not looking for a perfect church. No such thing exists. Your goal should be to find a healthy church that you could call home.

BEFORE you visit the church, check out the church's website:

- Does their statement of faith line up with core Biblical truth?
- What does it seem like the church values most?
- What opportunities are there to grow and learn?
- What opportunities are there to serve the church?

AFTER you visit the church, answer the following:

Environment

- What does it seem like the church values most?
- Was it welcoming to new people or non-Christians? How?
- What was the age range of the members?
- How ethnically diverse was it?
- What helped or hindered your worship experience?

- What are their worship practices? Did they offer/discuss any sacraments?
- How was prayer incorporated?
- Does it seem like the pastor knows the church?

Preaching

- How was the Bible used? Did you sense that the message was driven more by the Bible or by the pastor's own thoughts?
- Was the gospel message made clear?
- Was the message focused more on you or on Jesus? How?

Practical Application

- What was your practical take away from the message?
- How did the church help you connect with God?
- Does the church seem mission (outward) focused?
- Did you feel invited to participate in activities beyond the Sunday morning service?

Other Observations: