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CHURCH FUTURES PROGRAM

For Churches at a Crossroads

Church Futures is a facilitated process which helps congregations make thoughtful, prayerful, and informed decisions that will set the course for their future. Through the Futures process, we can choose the best path based on a realistic assessment of our location, resources, energy, and heart for mission rather than allow circumstances to select a future for us or suffer a slow decline.

Through a careful and respectful set of steps:

- all options available to the congregation are identified
- the most promising are developed into scenarios
- the scenarios become the basis for consideration and decision-making.

Thank you for your leadership, patience and guiding hands to get us where we are. We had no idea where this process would take us, but we knew we could never do it on our own.

It was the most painful thing we have ever had to do, and the best thing we did. Now we enjoy being in worship and ministry again in our new church home.....we could not have made this difficult decision on our own. We would be happy to recommend this approach to other churches facing a crossroads.

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