

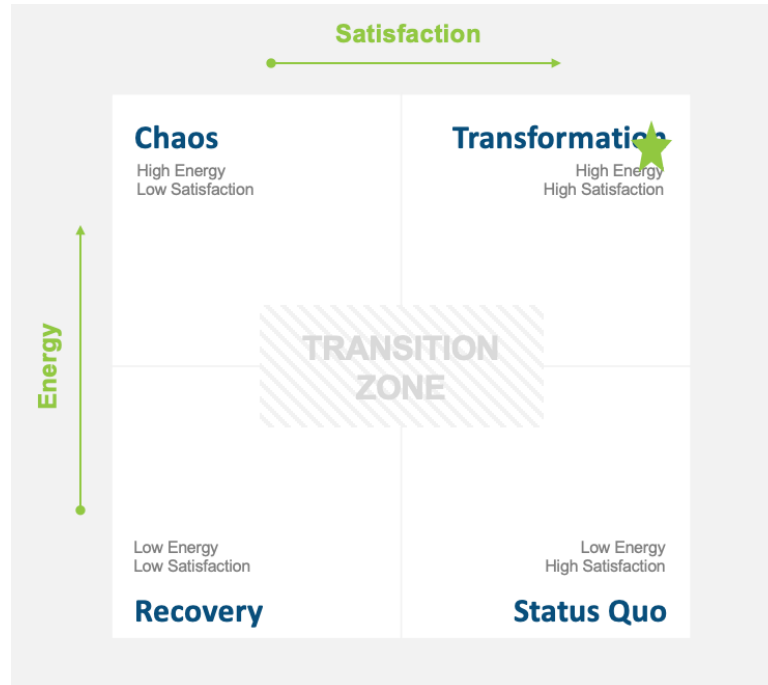
TERRACE SHORES EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Congregational Assessment Results

NL Moore & Associates and HCIC recently administered the Congregational Assessment Tool in your church. Your average adult Sunday attendance is 220 people, and 195, or 89 percent of your average attendance took the assessment. Terrace Shores met the threshold of validity and reliability at 99% +/-4. Well done! A complete readout of the Vital Signs Report was delivered to your church leadership and staff. An Executive Summary of those results is offered here.

In more than 30 years of assessment, we have learned the general health and vitality of a congregation can be discerned by measuring its overall satisfaction (think: fulfillment, contentment) and energy (think: level of engagement).



WHAT THIS MEANS

We hope every church is thriving with high energy and high satisfaction. We call this healthy church posture: “Transformation.” Terrace Shores Church finds itself high in “Transformation,” (green star above) meaning it is a healthy and vital congregation. This is great news! These are the churches we hope will expand, replicate or even serve as mentors to other churches. Terrace Shores is poised to make an even greater Kingdom impact. The church should explore ways to continue to innovate its current ministries while considering new opportunities to advance its mission.

TOP PRIORITIES

Where would this congregation like additional energy placed to expand or improve its ministries?

1. Strengthen the process by which attenders are called and equipped for ministry and leadership.
2. Develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to reach new people and incorporate them into the life of the church.
3. Create more opportunities for people to form meaningful relationships (for example, small groups, nurtured friendships, shared meals, etc.).
4. Expand outreach ministries that provide direct services to those living on the margins of society.

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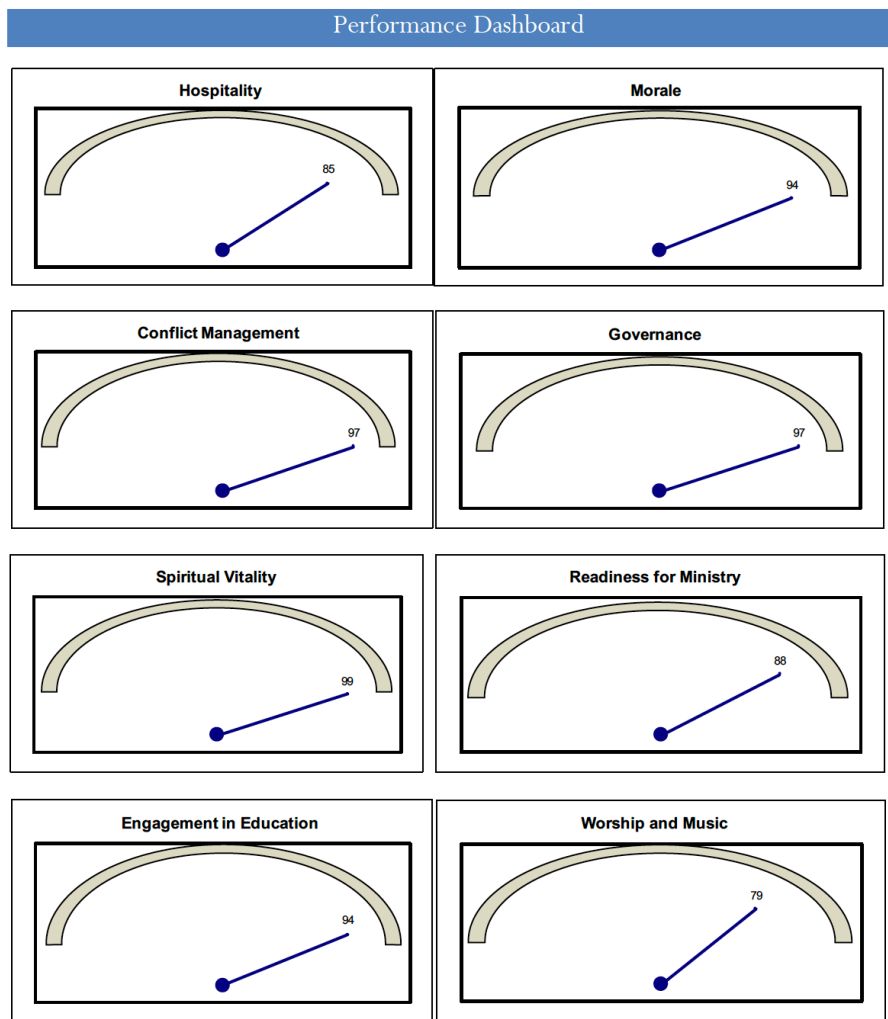
The top shared priorities of a congregation are part of what distinguishes it from the other churches. Terrace Shores shares priorities 1, 2 and 4 across all age groups (under 35 years, 35 to 64, and 65+). Priority number 3 was so highly ranked by the 35 to 64, and 65+ age groups that it moved into the third position. This internal unity is excellent and a strength to build upon! Congregants are united in the desire to become better equipped so they can share their ministry gifts. There is a clear desire to put their vibrant faith into service to care for others in the surrounding community, and to create a meaningful blueprint to grow the church. Placing energy toward these priorities will help further unify and align this congregation as it looks to the future.

THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE & FLEXIBILITY INDEX

Terrace Shores Evangelical Free Church is unified as a theologically conservative congregation with a high view of Scripture and very low internal diversity in its theological perspective. A clear biblical focus is important here. With regard to flexibility, Terrace Shores is flexible and able to adapt to changing realities in order to meet the needs of its members or reach others in the community. **An important note:** A direct correlation exists between the flexibility of a congregation and its ability to achieve its stated goals and priorities. Continued flexibility, not in biblical or theological essentials, but in the practical implementation of ministry will enhance Terrace Shore's effectiveness and potential.

TERRACE SHORES EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH'S PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD

The performance dashboard below displays how Terrace Shores is doing compared to 2,800 other churches in a comparative dataset. The number represents where the church landed as a percentile rank within that benchmark data. Like a gas gauge, if the line is pointing closer to the right, the fuller the tank and indicates an area of strength. If the line is pointing toward the left, it indicates an area for potential improvement or development. *Please note: Spiritual Vitality is the only measure that is a personal indicator and not corporate or shared measure of health. While personal spiritual vitality does not correlate to organizational health, it does measure the degree to which individuals believe their faith is central to their lives rather than peripheral or episodic.*



SUMMARY

By God's grace, Terrace Shores Evangelical Free Church is an extremely healthy and vibrant church. This is so encouraging and affirming! So much of what happens at Terrace Shores resonates with attendees. While there is always room for improvement, it is clear church ministries are doing well and making a positive impact on the lives of those who call Terrace Shores their church home. With so much strength to work with, exciting days are ahead!