

# Mission-Driven Excellence (MdX) Inventory

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Are these Habits currently in place in your congregation? Rate from “1” (not at all) to “10” (absolutely) only rate a “10” if every part of the Habit is in place. Your team should arrive at consensus on each rating. After taking this initial informal Inventory, continuously rate your church on each Habit using the rating criteria found in your Participant’s Workbook.

## PRELIMINARIES

**Habit 1: Taking Inventory.** We regularly rate our church on key indicators so we can learn and grow. On one of these indicators, this *MdX Inventory*, we rate our strategic preparedness based upon criteria found in the *Participant’s Workbook*.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

**Habit 2: Making Spirit-filled Commitments.** After a period of close self-examination every quarter, our church expresses its commitment to become a more Spirit-filled, mission-driven church. We keep our spiritual focus.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

## BUILD TEAM

**Habit 3: Creating Climate.** Our church is a unified, close-knit family that reflects God’s character. Humility, trust, and Christ-like communication mark everything we do. Our worship and our warmth appeal to visitors.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

**Habit 4: Developing Leaders.** Our pastoral staff, department leaders, and each of our members receive coaching, helpful feedback, and nurture. This helps us do our best work for God and for those we serve.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

## AGREE ON MISSION

**Habit 5: Envisioning Mission.** Everyone in our church knows our mission statement from memory. It guides our church’s visionary goals, budgets, departmental priorities, and annual plans for whole-church evangelism.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

## STRATEGY IN WRITING

**Habit 6: Strategy in Writing.** Our church strategy, or mini-strategy, is updated each year with a copy to every member. This document helps us work closely together in accomplishing our common mission.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

**Habit 7: Aligning Departments.** Every year, each department submits the top three outcomes (not just activities) it plans to accomplish for the year. These strategic plans, approved by the board, drive the annual budgeting process.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

## IMPLEMENT STRATEGY

**Habit 8: Accomplishing Mission.** Each year all departments and members collaborate closely in carrying out our strategic plans. These include at least two whole-church missional events per year—one of which is evangelism. The results are remarkable!

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

**Habit 9: Assessing Impact.** We keep an up-to-date scoreboard that reports progress to our church on key success indicators. In this way, we continuously evaluate the effectiveness of our ministry to the congregation and community.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

## CELEBRATE A CULTURE OF MISSIONAL EXCELLENCE

**Habit 10: Becoming a Model.** We score high on all the Habits above that by now are ingrained in our church culture. We’re now recognized as a demonstration site for many churches even as we ourselves continuously work toward improvement.

Definitely NOT      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      Absolutely YES

Now that you’ve come to consensus ratings on each Habit, is it your desire to work toward making each habit a perfect “10”?