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(NINE QUESTIONS FOR GROWING CONGREGATIONS)
RE VERSION

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1. DO YOU SYSTEMATICALLY PLAN FOR THE FUTURE?

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**3. ARE YOUR
PROGRAMS AND
ACTIVITIES A
RESPONSE TO THE
WANTS, NEEDS
AND PREFERENCES
OF THE PEOPLE
YOU SERVE?**

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EASILY BECOME
ACTIVE MEMBERS
OF THE
CONGREGATION?**

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ORGANIZED TO
WORK WITH THE
WAY PEOPLE LIVE
TODAY?**

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WORSHIP FEELING
THEY HAVE BEEN
ENCOUNTERED BY
GOD AND LIFTED
UP OUT OF
ORDINARY DAILY
LIFE?**

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**8. DO PEOPLE FEEL
THAT THE
CONGREGATION'S
EDUCATIONAL
OPPORTUNITIES
ARE MORE THAN
WORTH THEIR
WHILE?**

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