



Church Life Profile

Bendigo Baptist Church - Junortoun Campus

The people of this local church...

Most VALUE: Sermons, preaching or Bible teaching 43% Wider community care or social justice emphasis 37% Small prayer, discussion or Bible study groups 31% Ministry to children or youth 29%



Note: Attenders could select up to three options so percentages may not add up to 100%.



The People of This Church





53% of all people are female and 47% are male

41% of all people have a university degree



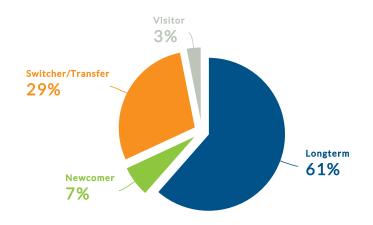
21% have a trade certificate, diploma or associate diploma



38% have primary or secondary school education



CHURCH BACKGROUND and ATTENDANCE



The AVERAGE AGE of people is 46 years





80% of all people were born in AUSTRALIA

were born overseas

13% speak a language other than ENGLISH at home



36% of attenders here are new arrivals to this church in the past five years.

95% attend church worship service at least monthly



Estimated CHURCH ATTENDANCE:

581 in 2011

550 in 2016

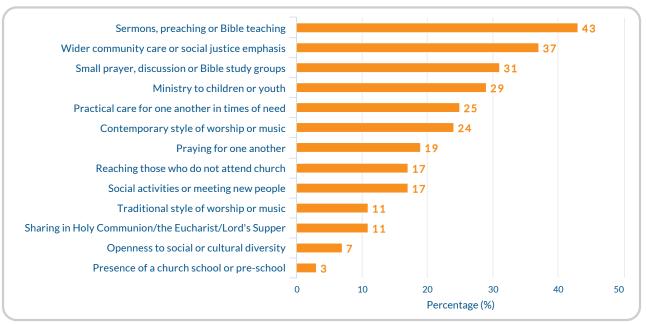


What People Value and Prioritise



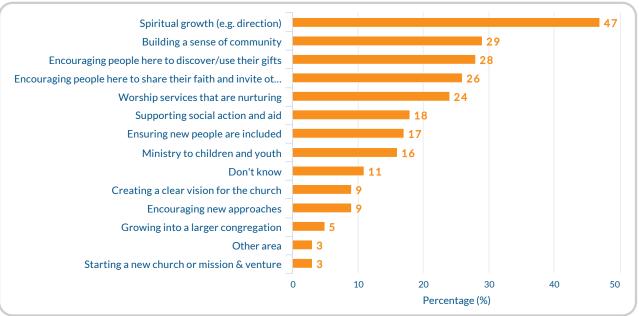
WHAT PEOPLE VALUE ABOUT THIS CHURCH

Attenders of this church most value 'Sermons, preaching or Bible teaching ' and 'Wider community care or social justice emphasis'





Over the next 12 months most attenders would like priority given to: 'Spiritual growth (e.g. direction)' and 'Building a sense of community'.

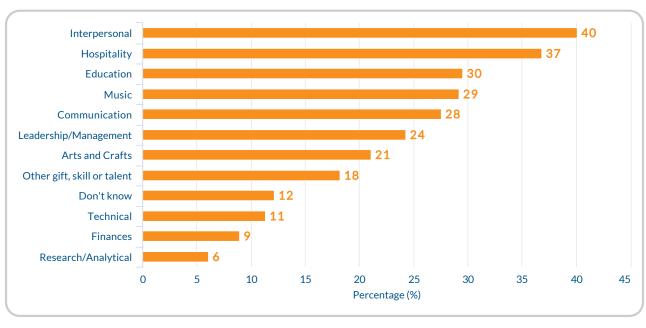




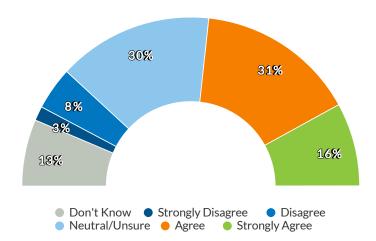
People's Gifts and Skills



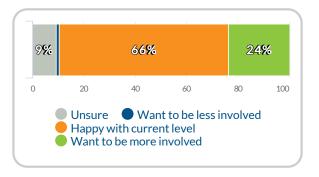
Attenders most commonly identified their gifts or skills as "Interpersonal: build relationships, care for people" and "Hospitality: welcome, host, provide food"



47% of attenders agree that their GIFTS, SKILLS AND TALENTS ARE BEING USED WELL at this church



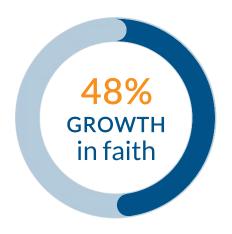
24% want to be MORE INVOLVED at church



How People Relate to God

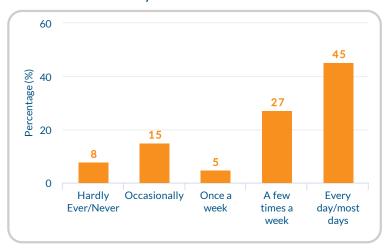


of attenders said that they had experienced much GROWTH IN FAITH in the previous 12 months





45% spend time in PRAYER, BIBLE READING, MEDITATION everyday or most days



IMPORTANCE of GOD in people's lives:

"God is more important to me than almost anything else"

23%

"God is the most important reality in my life"

67%

During church worship services here, attenders always or usually experience:

MUSIC they appreciate



GROWTH in understanding of God



Being challenged to TAKE ACTION





How People Relate to Each Other





83% of people have a strong sense of belonging to this church

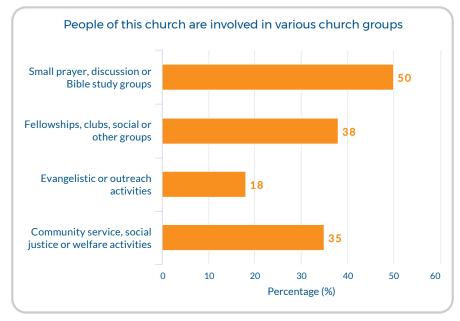
 $73\% \begin{array}{l} \text{found it easy to make friends within this local} \\ \text{church} \end{array}$













People shared how satisfied they are with what is offered by this church:

For their own age
For children aged under 12 years
For youth aged 12 to 18 years

77% 83% 83%



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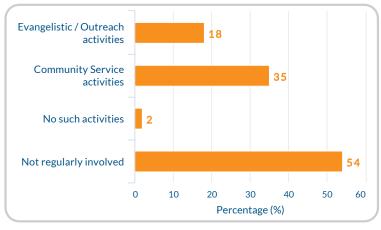


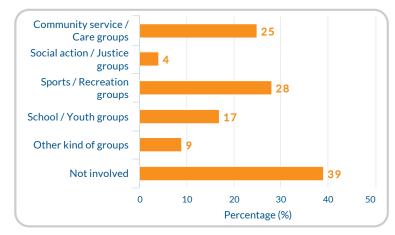
How People Relate to the Wider Community



44% of people reach out to the wider community through activities of this local church

61% of people participate in wider community groups





Informal action in last 12 months

Note: Attenders could choose more than one option, so percentages will not add to 100%



WORDS and ACTIONS

15% feel at ease TALKING ABOUT FAITH with others and look for opportunities to do so



37% INVITED friends and relatives to a church service in this last year



Attenders have made OFFERS OF HELP to others in a range of informal ways

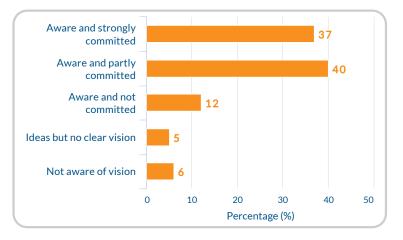
Donated money to a charitable organisation	72
Lent or gave money to someone outside your family	52
Visited someone in hospital	51
Helped someone through a personal crisis (not sickness)	48
Given some of your possessions to someone in need	37
Cared for someone who was very sick	33
Tried to stop someone abusing alcohol or drugs	15
Contacted a parliamentarian/councillor on a	9



Vision, Innovation and Leadership Culture

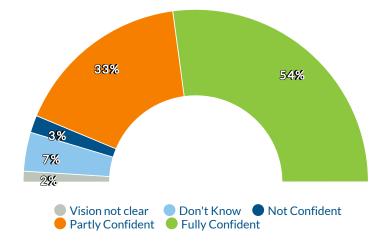


of people are both aware of and strongly COMMITTED TO THE VISION and goals or directions for this church

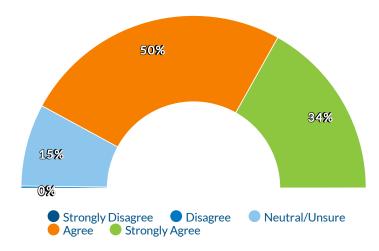




are fully confident that this church CAN ACHIEVE THE VISION, goals or directions set



agree that they would SUPPORT the development of new initiatives in the ministry and mission of this church



78% agree that this church is always ready to try SOMETHING NEW

47% of attenders perform a LEADERSHIP OR MINISTRY ROLE

81% agree that this church has good and CLEAR SYSTEMS for how it operates

Attenders agree:

53% Leaders encourage me to find and use my gifts and skills to a great or some extent

73% Leaders take into account ideas of people here to a great or some extent

69% Leaders here inspire me to action