SPIRITUAL GIFT ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS

3 = *Consistently 2* = *Most of the time 1* = *Sometimes 0* = *Not at all* ____1. I like to organize people, tasks, and events.

____2. I would like to start churches in places where they do not presently exist.

____3. I enjoy working creatively with wood, cloth, paints, metal, glass, or other materials.

____4. I enjoy challenging people's perspective of God by using various forms of art.

____5. I can readily distinguish between spiritual truth and error, good and evil.

____6. I tend to see the potential in people.

7. I communicate the gospel to others with clarity and effectiveness

8. I find it natural and easy to trust God to answer my prayers.

____9. I give liberally and joyfully to people in financial need or to projects requiring support.

___10.I enjoy working behind the scenes to support the work of others.

____11.1 view my home as a place to minister to people in need.

____12.1 take prayer requests from others and consistently pray for them.

____13.I am approached by people who want to know my perspective on a particular passage or Biblical truth.

____14. I am able to motivate others to accomplish a goal.

____15. I empathize with hurting people and desire to help in their healing process.

____16. I can speak in a way that results in conviction and change in the lives of others.

____17. I enjoy spending time nurturing and caring for others.

____18. I am able to communicate God's word effectively.

____19. I am often sought out by others for advice about spiritual or personal matters.

____20. I am careful, thorough, and skilled at managing details.

____21. I am attracted to the idea of serving in another country or ethnic community

22. I am skilled in working with different kinds of tools.

____23. I enjoy developing and using my artistic skills (art, drama, music,

photography, others.)

____24. I frequently am able to judge a person's character based upon first impressions.

____25. I enjoy reassuring and strengthening those who are discouraged.

____26. I consistently look for opportunities to build relationships with non-Christians.

____27. I have some confidence in God's continuing provision and help, even in difficult times.

____28. I give more than a tithe so that kingdom work can be accomplished.

____29. I enjoy doing routine tasks that support a program.

____30. I enjoy meeting new people and helping them to feel welcomed.

____31. I enjoy praying for long periods of time and receive leadings as to what God wants me to pray for.

____32. I receive information from the Spirit that I did not acquire through natural means.

____33. I am able to influence others to achieve a vision.

____34. I can patiently support those going through painful experiences as they try to stabilize their lives.

____35. I feel responsible to confront others with the truth.

____36. I have compassion for wandering believers and want to protect them.

____37. I can spend time in study, knowing that presenting truth will make a difference in the lives of people.

____38. I can often find simple, practical solutions in the midst of conflict or confusion.

____39. I can clarify goals and develop strategies or plans to accomplish them.

____40. I am willing to take an active part in starting a new church.

__41. I enjoy making things for use in ministry.

____42. I help people understand themselves, their relationships, and God better through artistic expression.

43. I can see through phoniness or deceit before it is evident to others.

____44. I give hope to others by directing them.

____45. I am effective at adapting the gospel message so that it connects with an individual's felt need.

____46. I believe that God will help me to accomplish great things.

___47. I manage my money well in order to free more of it for giving.

____48. I willingly take on a variety of odd jobs to meet the needs of others.

____49. I genuinely believe the Lord directs strangers to me who need to be connected to others.

____50. I am conscious of ministering to others as I pray.

___51. I am committed, and schedule blocks of time for reading and studying scripture to understand Biblical truth.

52. I can adjust my leadership style to bring out the best in others.

____53. I enjoy helping people sometimes regarded as undeserving or beyond help.

____54. I boldly expose cultural trends, teachings, or events, which contradict Biblical principles.

____55. I like to provide guidance for the whole person - relationally, emotionally, spiritually, etc.

____56. I pay close attention to the words, phrases, and meaning of those who teach.

____57. I can easily select the most effective course of action from among several alternatives.

____58. I can identify and effectively use the resources needed to accomplish tasks.

____59. I can adapt well to different cultures and surroundings.

____60. I can visualize how something should be constructed before I build it.

___61. I like finding new and fresh ways of communicating God's truth.

___62. I tend to see rightness or wrongness in situations.

____63. I reassure those who need to take courageous action in their faith, family, or life.

__64. I invite unbelievers to accept Christ as their Savior.

____65. I trust God in circumstances where success cannot be guaranteed by human effort alone.

___66. I am challenged to limit my lifestyle in order to give away a higher

percentage of my income.

__67. I see spiritual significance in doing practical tasks.

____68. I like to create a place where people do not feel that they are alone.

____69. I pray with confidence because I know that God works in response to prayer.

___70. I have insight or just know something to be true.

____71. I set goals and manage people and resources effectively to accomplish them.

____72. I have great compassion for people who are hurting.

____73. I see most actions as right or wrong, and feel the need to correct the wrong.

____74. I can faithfully provide long-term support and concern for others.

____75. I like to take a systematic approach to my study of the Bible.

____76. I can anticipate the likely consequences of an individual's or group's action.

____77. I like to help organizations or groups become more efficient.

____78. I can relate to others in culturally sensitive ways.

____79. I honor God with my handcrafted gifts.

____80. I apply various artistic expressions to communicate God's truth.

____81. I receive affirmation from others concerning the reliability of my insights or perceptions.

__82. I strengthen those who are wavering in their faith.

____83. I openly tell people that I am a Christian and want them to ask me about my faith.

____84. I am convinced of God's daily presence and action in my life.

____85. I like knowing that my financial support makes a real difference in the lives and ministries of God's people.

____86. I like to find small things that need to be done and often do them without being asked.

___87. I enjoy entertaining people and opening my home to others.

____88. When I hear about needy situations, I feel burdened to pray.

____89. I have suddenly known some things about others, but did not know how I knew them.

___90. I influence others to perform to the best of their capability.

____91. I can look beyond a person's handicaps or problems to see a life that matters to God.

____92. I like people who are honest and will speak the truth.

____93. I enjoy giving guidance and practical support to a small group of people.

____94. I can communicate scripture in ways that motivate others to study and want to learn more.

____95. I give practical advice to help others through complicated situations.

____96. I enjoy learning about how organizations function.

____97. I enjoy pioneering new undertakings.

____98. I am good at and enjoy working with my hands.

____99. I am creative and imaginative.

____100. I can identify preaching, teaching or communication, which is not true to the Bible.

____101. I like motivating others to take steps for spiritual growth.

____102. I openly and confidently tell others what Christ has done for me.

____103. I am regularly challenging others to trust God.

____104. I give generously due to my commitment to stewardship.

____105. I feel comfortable being a helper, assisting others to do their job more effectively.

____106. I do whatever I can to make people feel that they belong.

____107. I am honored when someone asks me to pray for them.

____108. I discover important Biblical truths when reading or studying scripture, which benefit others in the body of Christ.

____109. I am able to cast a vision that others want to be a part of.

____110. I enjoy bringing hope and joy to people living in difficult circumstances.

____111. I will speak God's truth, even in places where it is unpopular or difficult for others to accept.

____112. I can gently restore wandering believers to their faith.

____113. I can present information and skills to others at a level that makes it easy for them to grasp and apply to their lives.

____114. I can apply scriptural truth that others regard as practical and helpful.

____115. I can visualize a coming event, anticipate potential problems, and develop backup plans.

__116. I am able to orchestrate or oversee several programs.

__117. I am able to design and construct things that help the church.

____118. I regularly need to get alone to reflect and develop my imagination.

____119. I can sense when demonic forces are at work in a person or situation.

____120. I am able to challenge or rebuke others in order to foster spiritual growth.

____121. I seek opportunities to talk about spiritual matters with unbelievers.

____122. I can move forward in spite of opposition or lack of support when I sense God's blessing in an undertaking.

____123. I believe I have been given an abundance of resources so that I may give more to the Lord's work.

____124. I readily and happily use my natural or learned skills to help whenever needed.

____125. I can make people feel at ease even in unfamiliar surroundings.

____126. I often see specific results in direct response to my prayers.

____127. I confidently share my knowledge and insights with others.

____128. I figure out where we need to go and help others to get there.

____129. I enjoy doing practical things for others who are in need.

____130. I feel compelled to expose sin whenever I see it and to challenge people to repentance.

____131. I enjoy patiently, but firmly, nurturing others in their development as believers.

____132. I enjoy explaining things to people so that they grow spiritually and personally.

____133. I have insights into how to solve problems that others do not see.

Use the recording sheet on Page 13 to record your answers from the SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT

Directions

- 1. Put your Spiritual Gift Assessment response numbers in each box on Page 13.
- 2. Add the columns going down to get your totals.
- 3. Write your totals in the boxes above the letters.
- 4. Circle the first, second, and third highest letter totals.
- 5. Refer to the following Spiritual Gift Key to determine your top three Spiritual Gifts.

MAKING SENSE OF THE ASSESSMENT SCORES Spiritual Gifts Assessment Key

A. Administration	
B. Apostleship	
C. Craftsmanship	

- D. Creative Communications
- E. Discernment
- F. Encouragement
- G. Evangelism
- H. Faith
- I. Giving
- J. Helps

- K. Hospitality
- L. Intercession
- M. Knowledge
- N. Leadership
- O. Mercy
- P. Prophecy
- Q. Shepherding
- R. Teaching
- S. Wisdom

Healing , Interpretation, Miracles and Tongues are not included in the Spiritual Gift Assessment because their presence in the life of a believer tends to be self-evident For further study and information on the Spiritual Gifts, see the Spiritual Gifts Assessment Reference Guide.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT REFERENCE GUIDE

A. Administration

Summary: Administration is to understand what makes an organization function, and the special ability to plan and execute procedures that accomplish the goals of the ministry.

Traits: Thorough Objective Organized Goal-oriented Efficient Conscientious Responsible

Ministry: Looking for an area with this type of role? It is all of them. Pick a ministry you are passionate about and put those skills to use.

B. Apostleship

Summary: Apostleship is the ability to start and oversee the development of new

churches or ministry.

Traits: Adventurous Entrepreneurial Persevering Adaptable Culturally Sensitive Risktaking Cause-driven

Ministry: You have a desire to minister to unreached people in communities or other countries. Missions is the place for you! Opportunities abound locally, nationally and internationally.

C. Craftsmanship

Summary: Craftsmanship is to creatively design and/or construct items to be used for ministry.

Traits: Creative Designer Handy Resourceful Practical Helpful Behind-the-scenes **Ministry:** You enjoy serving with your hands to meet tangible needs - check out our Audio/Visual, Engage Ellensburg, Facilities and Set Design Team just to name a few ministries who wouldn't mind having your craftsmanship around.

Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!

It is amazing to think about. Your workmanship is marvelous.

Psalm 139:14 (NLV)

D. Creative Communication

Summary: Creative Communication is to communicate God's truth through a variety of art forms; music, drama, speaking, writing.

Traits: Expressive Imaginative Idea-oriented Artistic Creative Unconventional Sensitive

Ministry: Our creative arts team would love to talk with you about creative ways to captivate people through various forms of creative art.

E. Discernment

Summary: Discernment is to distinguish between truth and error. It is able to discern the spirits, differentiating between good and evil, right and wrong.

Traits: Perceptive Insightful Sensitive Intuitive Decisive Challenging Truthful **Ministry:** There are many areas on our Reach Ministries Team that would love to put your insightfulness to use!

F. Encouragement

Summary: Encouragement is to present truth so as to strengthen, comfort, or urge to action those who are discouraged or wavering in their faith.

Traits: Positive Motivating Challenging Affirming Reassuring Supportive Trustworthy **Ministry:** You will challenge, comfort or confront others to trust and hope in the promises of God. You willingly come to the side of those who are discouraged to strengthen and reassure them. Your optimism and positivity brings a breath of fresh air to any and all ministries.

<u>G. Evangelism</u>

Summary: Evangelism is to effectively communicate the gospel to unbelievers so they respond in faith and move toward discipleship.

Traits: Sincere Candid Respected Influential Spiritual Confident Commitment-oriented **Ministry:** You have the amazing ability to communicate the message of Christ with clarity and conviction. Be sure to check out Reach Ministries, Connections and Next Steps to build relationships with unbelievers.

<u>H. Faith</u>

Summary: Faith is to act on God's promises with confidence and unwavering belief in God's ability to fulfill his purposes.

Traits: Prayerful Optimistic Trusting Assured Positive Inspiring Hopeful **Ministry:** This person believes in the promises of God and inspires others to do the same. Every ministry needs you on their team, but be sure to check out, Reach Ministries and don't forget MC Kids, Crossfire and TheWAY!

I. Giving

Summary: Giving is to contribute money and resources to the work of the Lord with cheerfulness and liberality.

Traits: Responsible Resourceful Charitable Trusts in God Disciplined Stewardship **Ministry:** People with this gift do not ask "How much money do I need to give to God?" but, "How much money do I need to live on?" This generosity supports everything that happens here at Mercer Creek, thank you!

<u>J. Helps</u>

Summary: Helps is to accomplish practical and necessary tasks which free-up, support, and meet the needs of others.

and meet the needs of others.

Traits: Available Willing Helpful Reliable Loyal Dependable

Ministry: Each ministry would gladly welcome those with this gift. If you like to serve behind the scenes and willing to do whatever it takes so ministries can do what God has called them to do we want you!! Remember that doing practical deeds is a spiritual contribution to the body of Christ! (Communications Department, Facilities and Technical Arts would love to talk to you!)

K. Hospitality

Summary: Hospitality is to care for people by providing fellowship, food and shelter. **Traits:** Friendly Gracious Inviting Trusting Caring Responsive Warm

Ministry: If you like providing an environment where people feel valued and cared for be sure to check out our Connections, Women's Ministries and FISH Food Bank .

L. Intercession

Summary: Intercession is to consistently pray on behalf of and for others, seeing fre-

quent and specific results.

Traits: Advocate Caring Sincere Peacemaker Trustworthy Sensitive **Ministry:** If you feel compelled to earnestly pray on behalf of someone or some causes and are convinced God moves in direct response to prayer be sure to check out After Service Prayer Team and Pastoral Partners.

M. Knowledge

Summary: Knowledge is to bring truth to the body through a revelation or Biblical insight.

Traits: Inquisitive Responsive Observant Insightful Reflective Studious Truthful **Ministry:** You have an unusual insight or understanding that serves the church - find your passion (women, kids, people who are down and out, homeless, non-believers) and serve them well!

N. Leadership

Summary: Leadership is to cast vision, motivate, and direct people to harmoniously accomplish the purposes of God.

Traits: Influential Diligent Visionary Trustworthy Persuasive Motivating Goal-setter **Ministry:** This position motivates others to perform to the best of their abilities with servant leadership being the Biblical model. Remember you do not need to be in a leadership "position" to use this gift and every ministry needs "big picture people" like you!

O. Mercy

Summary: Mercy is to cheerfully and practically help those who are suffering or are in need, compassion moved to action.

Traits: Empathetic Caring Responsive Kind Compassionate Sensitive Burden-bearing **Ministry:** Bring your concern for individuals and social issues that oppress people to our Reach Ministries, FISH Food Bank and Care Net Pregnancy Center just to name a few areas to express love, grace and dignity to those facing hardships and crisis.

P. Prophecy

Summary: "Prophecy is to reveal truth and proclaim it in a timely manner for understanding, correction, repentance, or edification. There may be immediate or future implications."

Traits: Discerning Compelling Uncompromising Outspoken Authoritative Convicting Confronting

Ministry: Your gift brings an understanding of God's heart and mind through experiences He has taken people through. You often times can see truth that others often fail to see and challenge them to respond. Remember that discernment and scripture must support the message and be spoken with love and compassion.

Q. Shepherding

Summary: Shepherding is to nurture, care for and guide people toward on-going spiri-

tual maturity and becoming like Christ.

Traits: Influencing Nurturing Guiding Discipling Protective Supportive Relational Ministry: You are invaluable to leaders of any ministry in that you bring trust and confidence and are able to lead and protect those within their span of care. You will care for and guide people toward on-going spiritual maturity in whatever ministry you choose.

> By the grace of God I am what I am. 1 Corinthians 15:10 (NIV)

R. Teaching

Summary: Teaching is to understand, clearly explain, and apply the word of God, causing greater Christ-likeness in the lives of listeners.

Traits: Disciplined Perceptive Teachable Authoritative Practical Analytical Articulate Ministry: You can communicate Biblical truth for maximum life change and inspire greater obedience to the Word. MC Kids, Crossfire and TheWAY would love to have you!

S. Wisdom

Summary: Wisdom is to apply spiritual truth effectively to meet a need in a specific situation.

Traits: Sensible Insightful Practical Wise Fair Experienced Common Sense Ministry: You have a sense of understanding of what is necessary to meet the needs of the body. Be sure to check out Pastoral Partners.

ABILITIES

If you have skill in any of those areas, please put an "X" in the box beside that area.

- □ Administration
- Finance
- Audio/Visual

- Personnel Manage-
- ment
- Volunteers
- Programming
- □ Arts/Crafts
- Drawing
- Decorating
- Cooking
- Office Support
- Data Entry Word Processing
- Sound System Musical: Vocal

Electronics

Web Design

Writing

Musician: Instrumental

PowerPoint

- □ Food Services/Catering □ Performing Arts/Drama □ Landscaping
 - Sewina
 - □ Scenery
 - Videography
 - Photography

- Planning Trips or
- **Events**
- □ Computers/Technology □ Facilities Management
 - Set-up/Tear-down
 - Maintenance/Repairs
 - Van/Bus Driver
 - Vehicle Maintenance
 - Plumbing
 - Painting
 - Electrical Work

Do you have a skill or skills that you don't see listed? If so, please list those here.

Small Group Discussion

S-Spiritual Gifts

Talk about the results of your assessment. Share your top three gifts? Did those surprise you or did it make sense? Share how you have seen those working in your life.

H-Heart (Passion)

If you could snap your fingers and know that you wouldn't fail, what would you do for others? What do you repeatedly see in our world/community that annoys or angers you, which if changed, would be more glorifying to God and edifying to others?

A-Abilities

Take a moment to look at the abilities section and talk about what you're naturally good at. Share about your pace of life. Too fast? Too slow? Are you serving in some capacity right now? If so, in what area of the church or community?

P-Personality

Take a few moments and discuss which two of the four personality traits fits you and why. Which do you lean towards most– introvert or extrovert?

E-Experiences

Share at least one experience, good or difficult, that has shaped your life. Finish this sentence: "Because of some of my own experiences, I believe I could relate to and encourage someone who is going through "

SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT RECORDING SHEET

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Mercer Creek Church is *to advance God's Kingdom by loving Jesus and making disciples*. We want you to discover the joy of serving. God gives us pas-sions and abilities and when we put them to use, what a difference we can make in our church, community and world!

Please detach this page and turn it in to Jo Ann Bentley at the Mercer Creek Church office. Our ministry team leads are ready to assist you in exploring your best fit.

Name:
Email/Phone:
Spiritual Gifts (results from assessment tool):
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Abilities/Skills:
Top 2 or 3 Volunteer Opportunity interests
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