

Youth and the Church

Type the following "Youth and the Church" survey, and give copies to each person in your group. Ask your kids to invite adults in the church to complete the survey.

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Answer each question briefly and honestly. Say what you really believe. If you have no children of school age,

answer on the basis of what you know about teenagers from your contacts with them. Do not put your name on this sheet.

1. What do you see as the role and relevancy of the church for today's youth?

2. What things do young people like about church? dislike?

3. How meaningful and relevant is it to them?

4. My children attend church school, church, and/or youth groups (or don't attend) because...

5. My children's friends attend (or don't attend) because...

6. My children's biggest gripe about church activities is...

7. What's one thing you'd change about how the church relates to its young people?

8. How can young people become more a part of the church?

Bring the survey to the next meeting, read the answers out loud, and discuss things your youth group can do to help the church become more meaningful for its young people.