



## **CME CHURCH MEMBER SURVEY**

**What is this survey about?** The purpose of this survey is to allow as many voices from our constituency around the world to be heard as we engage our strategic ministry planning discernment and discovery process. This is our first strategic planning process in the history of our denomination, and it is critical for us to help as many CME Church members to participate. Your feedback will help us to more clearly discern what The Lord is saying about the future of our denomination, and determine how we should collectively respond.

**How do I know I should take the survey?** We are asking every member, regular attender, adult, youth and senior citizen, male and female, clergy and laypersons from the CME Church to take this survey. Your voice is important to us!

**How long will it take me to complete the survey?** Most people should be able to complete the survey within twenty minutes.

**Who will be able to see my responses?** Your answers will be anonymous. A summary of responses from your congregation will be kept confidentially by the survey team, and a summary of the denominations responses will be made public in advance of our next denominational gathering in 2019. Your name and personal information will not be disclosed. Once the data has been collected, analyzed, summarized and presented, your data record will be destroyed.

**Send all completed surveys to:**

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**Dear CME Church leaders, members and friends:**

**As you may know, The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (CME) has contracted Marshall & Associates Consulting to help us embark upon a strategic planning process designed to help our congregation achieve the compelling vision we believe God has ordained for us.**

**We invite you to complete this printed survey, which is intended to gain your participation in the process of helping us to understand how our Church currently functions. The survey will only take about ten minutes to complete.**

**Again we thank you for your participation, we love you, and we look forward to hearing your thoughts!**

**Sincerely,**

**THE CME Church Strategic Ministry Planning Steering Committee**

**1. Age**

- 18 and under
- 19-27
- 28-35
- 36-44
- 45-55
- 56 and older

## 2.Race/Ethnicity

(If the options below do not best represent what you consider to be your racial/ethnic identity, please help us by providing your answer in the "other" box below. We apologize for any errors or inconvenience)

- White/Caucasian
- Black/African-American
- Latino American/Hispanic
- Asian American
- Native American
- Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3.Gender

- Male
- Female

## 4.Household Income Level

- Less than \$25,000
- \$25,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to \$74,999
- \$75,000 to \$99,999
- \$100,000 to \$149,999
- More than \$150,000

## 5.Educational Level

- Some High School
- High School Diploma/GED
- Some College
- College Diploma
- Post Graduate Degree

## 6.ZIP Code

## **7.Attendance and Engagement**

**How long have you been a part of the CME Church?**

- Less than 5 years
- 5-10 years
- 10-20 years
- 20-30 years
- More than 30 years

**8.ON AVERAGE, how often would you say that you attend Sunday worship services at a CME Church?**

- Every Sunday
- Three times per month
- Twice per month
- Once per month
- Only on special events (Easter, etc.)

**Please respond YES or NO to the following questions:**

**9.Are you currently serving as part of any Organization/Commission of the CME Church?**

- YES
- NO

**10.If you answered YES to the previous question, please tell us the organization/commission(s) that you currently serve in:**

**11.The CME Church is helping me to grow in my relationship with God.**

- YES
- NO

**12. I am generally excited about the future of the CME church.**

- YES
- NO

**13. Can you encourage your friends and relatives seeking a Church home to become members of the CME Church? Please explain your answer below.**

- YES
- NO

**Explanation:**

**Please rate the CME Church on the following items:**

**14. Use of technology to reach the unchurched.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**15. Strategies to engage new and younger families.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**16.Strategies to start new CME Churches.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**17.Efforts to renew dying CME Churches.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**18.Providing care and support to pastors in crisis.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**19.Global Missions**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**20. Identifying, recruiting and training new leaders (Leadership Development).**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**21. Communicating news and information throughout the denomination.**

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- I don't know

**22. In your own words, please state the vision and mission of the CME Church.**

**23. What would you like to see CHANGE, if anything, about the CME Church?**

**24. Is there anything you believe the CME Church does very well that we should do MORE OF?**

**25. Please share any additional comments or thoughts you may have about the CME Church:**