

# Chapter 10: Building Community COMMUNITY CONNECTION CHECKLIST

INSTRUCTIONS: Assess how well your church fosters relationships and find ways to contribute to its communitybuilding efforts, both within and outside the church.

Please check all boxes that apply

## Section 1: Assessing Community Relationships

#### Community Events

Are there regular events that encourage community bonding (e.g., potlucks, family nights, holiday celebrations)? Are these events accessible to all demographics in the community?

Inclusivity and Diversity

Does the church celebrate diverse cultures and perspectives?

Are there programs tailored for different age groups and interests?

Welcoming Atmosphere

Is the church's environment warm and inviting?

Do staff and volunteers actively welcome newcomers?

Communication and Feedback

Does the church provide clear ways to communicate upcoming events and opportunities? Is there a method for community members to provide feedback or suggestions to the church?

## Section 2: Identifying Personal Contributions

Volunteering

Have you volunteered at the church in the past month?

Are there upcoming events or programs you can help support?

Connecting with Others

Have you introduced yourself to someone new at the church recently?

Are you part of any ongoing small groups or activities?

Support and Resources

Have you offered your skills or resources to support the church's mission? Are there specific talents you can share (e.g., teaching, organizing, mentoring)?

## Section 3: Personal Growth Through Community

#### Faith Integration

Have you attended faith-based events or programs hosted by the church?

Do you feel spiritually nourished by your participation in church and/or community activities?

Relational Impact

Have you built meaningful relationships through your involvement with the church?

Have you reached out to support or mentor someone within the church?

#### Next Steps:

Reflect: Review your responses and identify one area where you can grow or contribute further. Act: Set a specific goal for how you will engage with your church in the coming month. Share: Encourage friends or family to use this checklist and join you in building a stronger, more connected church.