

# UK National Ministry Survey 2021

## THE CHURCH LEADER LANDSCAPE



### CHURCH LEADERS ARE OPEN TO PLANTING AND REVITALISING CHURCHES

**21%** of church leaders believe their church is extremely/very likely to plant a church in the next five years

**41%** are open to the idea (believing their church is somewhat/slightly likely to plant a church in the next five years)

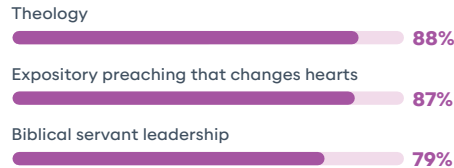
**13%** of church leaders believe their church is extremely/very likely to revitalise a church in the next five years

**50%** are open to the idea (believing their church is somewhat/slightly likely to revitalise a church in the next five years)

### BUILDING ON STRENGTHS AND FILLING TRAINING GAPS COULD INCREASE MISSION REACH AND IMPACT

#### Training areas that are well provided for

*% of church leaders that believe these areas are very well/sufficiently provided for*

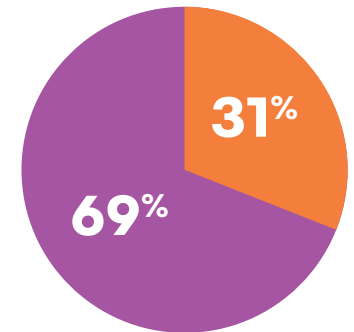


#### Training areas where there is a greater need

*% of church leaders that believe there is a need for more training in these areas*



### CHURCH LEADERS ARE LOOKING TO BE MENTORED



#### 31% receive mentoring

Of these, 93% find it helpful

#### 69% do not receive mentoring

Of these, 50% are interested in receiving mentorship

## THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH IS POSITIVE

FOR TWO THIRDS OF CHURCHES, THEIR CONGREGATIONS HAVE GROWN OR REMAINED STEADY DURING COVID-19



**35%**  
of churches  
have grown



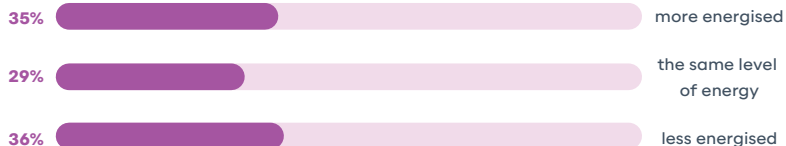
**31%**  
stayed the  
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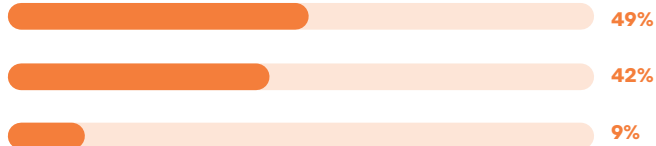
**31%**  
decreased

### CHURCH LEADERS ARE POSITIVE ABOUT THE FUTURE

#### Energy level compared to two years ago



#### Expected energy level in two years' time



### CHURCH LEADERS SEE SMALL NUMBERS COME TO FAITH

Average number of people that leaders have seen become Christians in the past three years from outside of the church/unchurched:

**5**

Average number of people that leaders have seen become Christians in the past three years who were already church attendees:

**3**

#### METHODOLOGY

Statistics about church leaders represent 584 church leaders across the UK from a survey conducted by McCrindle. In field 17th Sept - 11th Oct 2021. Statistics about active Protestants represent 3,020 active UK Protestant Christians aged 18+ from a survey conducted by Savanta ComRes. In field 13th Oct - 1st Nov 2021. Statistics about the general public aged 18+ (excluding active Protestants) are from a survey conducted by Savanta ComRes. In field 12th Oct - 1st Nov 2021.