The Right Tools Chart

Type of Tool	Purpose	Suggested Method	Foundational Requirements	Suggested Frequency	Conducted by Who?
Pastoral or Staff Review	To help a Pastor critically evaluate strengths and work areas to facilitate more effective and enjoyable ministry	Pastor fills out a survey Selected representative people within the church are surveyed the results are collated. An interview is conducted with the pastors and an external facilitator Finally a brief report is given to the church leadership.	A written job description for the Pastor is normally required	Every two years (alternate with Ministry review)	Best done externally by a competent facilitator MSD, Regional Minister, Trained Church Consultant
Pastoral Health Check	To monitor the pastors ongoing physical, emotional, and spiritual wellbeing during ministry	A survey is filled out by the pastor and passed on to mentor or accountability partner Then a meeting with the pastor and an accountability partner to discuss the results	None	Every 6 months	Self administered by Pastor but results passed on to a trusted mentor or Accountability person
Church Ministry Review	To monitor how effectively present church ministries are functioning	A list of the Church Ministries are produced with a statement of their primary purpose. A set of survey questions are formulated for ministry leaders and also for the congregation In formation is sent for collation and the preparation of a report. Report is presented to the church leadership or ministry leaders with observations, reflections, and suggestions	A list of church ministries and their stated purpose	Every two years (Alternate with Pastoral review)	Best done externally by a competent facilitator MSD, Regional Minister, Trained Church Consultant It is possible after a few times for a competent church to do this in house

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Church Health Check	To monitor the overall health of the church across predetermined areas	A one of congregational Forum Participation in an external survey process is highly recommended NCLS or NCD Presentation of a report to the church Leadership or congregation Possibly a follow up strategic planning session	None Although participation in an external process such as NCD or NCLS is very helpful	Every 12 -24 months	Initially by external facilitator but this can then be done in house
Church Consultancy	To analyse a variety of specific challenges that churches may face	See Church Consultancy process Manual Two consultants appointed Objectives night with Church leadership Various methodologies from this point Final report given to church also Director of MSD & Regional Minister	Consultancy agreement form signed by elected church leadership There must be a willingness for the church to cover traveling expenses for the consultants	When ever needed	Always done by external Trained consultants
Church Visioning Process	To help a church discover God's Plan for its future	Three congregational forums approx 6 weeks apart Guided forward by a visioning team elected by the church to help gather info in the times between forums Should result in a written Purpose, Values, and Vision Statement	None But a willingness to accept that change is a normal outcome	Every 3-5 years	Initially by external facilitator but this can possibly then be done in house provided the right skills are present within the congregation

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Strategic	To help a church		_	Whenever	Initially conducted
Planning Process	develop a	Varied depending on Facilitator But should be a transferable process that the church can adopt for themselves	None	needed	by an external facilitator who trains the church leadership in the process. Then it can be done by the local church and
					passed on to ministry groups