

Overall Themes

Things Going Well

- 1 Among those who answered, 87.6% are satisfied or very satisfied with overall leadership/strategic direction.
- 2 91.6% agree that sermons make a specific impact, and 94.2% say Christ Lincoln supports their spiritual growth. Also, 95.3% say CL welcomes others well.
- 3 "Rows" and "Dots" are widely practiced: 97.4% attend worship at least sometimes, 96.8% do devotions at least sometimes, and 61.3% report daily devotions.
- 4 Respondents find most non-financial communication easy to access: General info (89.1%), Event info (87.5%), Emergency alerts (86.8%), and Hiring info (90.0%).
- 5 Family ministries and Schools received exceptionally high ratings: faith-journey support is good/excellent for Children's (98%), Middle (97%), High (93%), and Worship (96%). Engagement is also strong for Family Ministries (93.3%) and Elementary (90.4%).

Things to Improve

- 1 Financial transparency is the clearest pain point: only 37.4% feel comfortable approaching leaders with questions, and financial info is hardest to access (31.4% reporting difficulty).
- 2 38.7% of respondents never participate in "Circles", leaving a sizeable disconnected segment compared with high worship and devotion engagement.
- 3 "Arrows" has a sizable non-participating segment: 33.5% never serve at CL, and 41.2% never serve outside CL. Mission is affirmed, but serving involvement is uneven.
- 4 Outreach to the unchurched/dechurched is perceived weakest: only 5.0% cite it as CL's strongest effectiveness area, signaling room to build outward momentum.
- 5 Child Care is rated well by users, but engagement lags: 78.4% good/excellent and 21.6% poor/extremely poor.

Recap

Overall	We received 642 total responses, which was 173 more responses than last year.
Demographics	The average responder is a 65+ woman in a two-person home. They've been attending for 11+ years, primarily attending Sanctuary and rotating in worship communities.
People Invited	The number of people who have invited at least one person to Christ Lincoln rose from 61.40% to 67.82% in two years (a 6.42% increase). A majority invited 2-5.
Clarity	Respondents largely affirm Christ Lincoln's leadership and direction (87.6% satisfied), but want simpler "what's next" guidance and clearer decision-to-mission links. They see CL strongest in discipling members, with limited perceived effectiveness reaching the unchurched directly.
Financials	Finances emerge as the key improvement area, driven by transparency and access expectations. Financial info is hardest to find (68.6% easy). Trust is moderate (68.2%), but satisfaction (45.8%) and comfort asking questions (37.4%) lag; comments call for clearer reporting and decision context.

Communication	Communication is rated accessible (~87-90% easy), yet respondents want simpler, centralized, consistent updates with a clear "source of truth," especially for events. Email/newsletters are preferred, texts for emergencies.
Caregiving	Respondents perceive strong mission emphasis (84.2%), but limited opportunities. Participation lags: few engaged in caregiving (13.1%) or missions (8.9%), and 41.2% never serve outside CL. Clearer on-ramps, invitations, and right-sized options could close the gap. Many asked, "what are we doing with missions?"
Pastors	Sermons and pastoral ministry stand out as key strengths: 91.6% report sermons impact their lives, and comments praise visible, relational, consistent pastors and leaders (preaching, worship, next-gen). Minor worship-experience concerns (e.g., sound/volume) don't outweigh the overall positive signal.

Age	2025 Results			2024 Results		2023 Results		+/-
	Under 18	45	7.01%	0	0.00%			--
	18-24	21	3.27%	3	0.64%	13	2.98%	2.63%
	25-34	42	6.54%	50	10.66%	43	9.86%	-4.12%
	35-44	102	15.89%	83	17.70%	63	14.45%	-1.81%
	45-54	75	11.68%	68	14.50%	62	14.22%	-2.82%
	55-64	114	17.76%	84	17.91%	89	20.41%	-0.15%
	65+	243	37.85%	181	38.59%	166	38.07%	-0.74%

Gender	2025 Results			2024 Results		2023 Results		+/-
	Male	249	40.09%	188	40.09%	179	41.06%	0.00%
	Female	393	59.91%	281	59.91%	257	58.94%	0.00%

Household	2025 Results		By Community	211 Sumner 211 Yankee Hill Sanctuary		
	Total In Household	1,740		Total In Household	648	474 618
	Total Minus Respondent	1,098		Total Minus Respondent	423	321 360
	Average Per Household	2.71		Average Per Household	2.88	3.09 2.39

Attendance Length	2025 Results			2024 Results		2023 Results		+/-
	<1 year	21	3.27%	13	2.77%	16	3.72%	0.50%
	1-2 years	57	8.88%	35	7.46%	38	8.84%	1.42%
	3-5 years	117	18.22%	78	16.63%	77	17.91%	1.59%
	6-10 years	141	21.96%	89	18.98%	74	17.21%	2.98%
	11+ years	306	47.66%	254	54.16%	225	52.33%	-6.50%

Attendance by Worship Community	Attendance in the Last 6 Months							
	2025 Results			2024 Results		2023 Results		+/-
	211 Sumner	339	48.91%	248	52.88%	200	46.51%	-3.97%
	211 Yankee Hill	234	34.24%	160	34.12%	121	28.14%	0.12%
	Sanctuary	396	64.67%	243	51.81%	189	43.95%	12.86%

Attendance by Worship Community	Primary Campus			How Many Attended Another Worship Community in the Past 6 Months?			
	2025 Results			211 SUM	211 YH	SANC	Only Their Community
	211 Sumner	228	35.51%	211 Sumner	--	48	93 135
	211 Yankee Hill	153	23.83%	211 Yankee Hill	39	--	42 111
	Sanctuary	261	40.65%	Sanctuary	75	33	-- 186

People Invited	2025 Results			2024 Results		2023 Results		+/-
	0 people	195	32.18%	156	35.06%	166	38.60%	-2.88%
	1 person	102	16.83%	84	18.88%	64	14.88%	-2.05%
	2-5 people	273	45.05%	189	42.47%	176	40.93%	2.58%
	6-10 people	27	4.46%	11	2.47%	16	3.72%	1.99%
	11+ people	9	1.49%	5	1.12%	8	1.86%	0.37%

Ministry Involvement	2025 Results			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
	Children's	93	14.49%	30	13.16%	33	21.57%	30	11.49%
	Middle School	81	12.62%	36	15.79%	18	11.76%	27	10.34%
	High School	108	16.82%	54	23.68%	36	23.53%	18	6.90%
	Adult Small Groups	195	30.37%	57	25.00%	63	41.18%	75	28.74%
	Adult Bible Studies	195	30.37%	36	15.79%	48	31.37%	111	42.53%
	Caregiving	84	13.08%	15	6.58%	12	7.84%	57	21.84%
	Missions	57	8.88%	30	13.16%	6	3.92%	21	8.05%
	Worship	396	61.68%	129	56.58%	102	66.67%	165	63.22%
	Elementary	45	7.01%	12	5.26%	9	5.88%	24	9.20%
Child Care	30	4.67%	15	6.58%	12	7.84%	3	1.15%	
Other	123	19.16%	54	23.68%	15	9.80%	54	20.69%	
				Cafe (5), Funeral Ministry (5), Attendance Entry (4), Christ Connect (4), Basics (3), Cancer Care (3), Griefshare (3), Comfort Dog (2), Music (2)		Choirs (4), Welcome Desk (2), VBS (2), Soup Kitchen (1)		Greet/Usher (6), Choirs (6), Cafe (5), Funeral Ministry (4), Griefshare (4), Communion (3), Altar Circle (2), Chair Setup (2), Christian Readers Group (1)	
552 Total			180 Total		117 Total		172 Total		
211 Sumner has significantly fewer respondents involved in Adult Bible studies (2nd year).									
211 Yankee Hill has significantly more respondents involved Adult Small Groups (2nd year).									
Sanctuary has significantly more respondents involved in Adult Bible studies (2nd year), but fewer people in High School.									

People Invited	2025 Results			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
	0 people	195	32.18%	66	31.43%	21	14.00%	108	43.90%
	1 person	102	16.83%	39	18.57%	24	16.00%	39	15.85%
	2-5 people	273	45.05%	96	45.71%	81	54.00%	96	39.02%
	6-10 people	27	4.46%	6	2.86%	18	12.00%	3	1.22%
	11+ people	9	1.49%	3	1.43%	6	4.00%	0	0.00%
	606 Total			210 Total		150 Total		246 Total	
Last year, 35.06% of respondents did not invite someone. That is a 3.54% increase .									
211 Yankee Hill invites significantly more people to worship, with 86.00% of respondents inviting someone in the last 6 mo.									

Leadership / Direction	2025 Results			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
	Very Dissatisfied	9	1.49%	3	1.43%	0	0.00%	6	2.44%
	Dissatisfied	66	10.89%	15	7.14%	12	8.00%	39	15.85%
	Satisfied	315	51.98%	99	47.14%	96	64.00%	120	48.78%
	Very Satisfied	216	35.64%	93	44.29%	42	28.00%	81	32.93%
	606 Total			210 Total		150 Total		246 Total	
	87.62% satisfied			91.43% satisfied		92.00% satisfied		81.71% satisfied	
Since '24, we experienced a 3.16% decrease in respondents who are satisfied with our overall leadership / strategic direction.									

LLB Communication	2025 Results			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
	Very Dissatisfied	18	2.97%	9	4.29%	0	0.00%	9	3.66%
	Dissatisfied	69	11.39%	18	8.57%	27.00	18.00%	24	9.76%
	Satisfied	384	63.37%	132	62.86%	96	64.00%	156	63.41%
	Very Satisfied	135	22.28%	51	24.29%	27	18.00%	57	23.17%
	606 Total			210 Total		150 Total		246 Total	
	85.65% satisfied			87.15% satisfied		82.00% satisfied		86.58% satisfied	
Since '24, we experienced a 4.91% decrease in respondents that are satisfied with the LLB's communication.									

Sharing Gospel	2025 Results			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
	Sharing w/ Members	303	50.00%	114	52.86%	63	42.00%	129	52.44%
	Sharing w/ Un/Dechurch	30	4.95%	0	0.00%	15	10.00%	15	6.10%
	Sharing w/ Both	273	45.05%	99	47.14%	72	48.00%	102	41.46%
	606 Total			210 Total		150 Total		246 Total	
95.05% of respondents say we are effective in sharing the gospel with our members									
50.00% of respondents say we are effective in sharing the gospel with the unchurched/dechurched									

Do you have any thoughts you would like to share regarding our mission and vision?

Responses are largely supportive of the church's mission/vision, with many people expressing appreciation and alignment. At the same time, a meaningful subset is asking for greater clarity on how the mission/vision translates into concrete priorities and day-to-day decisions—especially what gets emphasized (and why) across campuses and ministries.

A recurring thread is the desire to see the mission lived outward more visibly: increased community presence, outreach, and practical expressions of service. Some comments also drift into worship-experience concerns (especially sound levels in the 211 setting), suggesting that for some respondents "mission/vision" is inseparable from how worship feels and functions week to week.

			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
Never	15	2.62%	9	4.48%	3	2.08%	3	1.32%
Once a quarter	6	1.05%	0	0.00%	3	2.08%	3	1.32%
Once a month	21	3.66%	9	4.48%	3	2.08%	9	3.95%
Bi-weekly	51	8.90%	24	11.94%	9	6.25%	18	7.89%
Weekly	480	83.77%	159	79.10%	126	87.50%	195	85.53%
573 Total			201 Total		144 Total		228 Total	

More respondents than average attend/worship weekly at 211 Yankee Hill
Fewer respondents than average attend/worship weekly at 211 Sumner.

			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
Decreased	57	9.95%	21	10.45%	9	6.25%	27	11.84%
Consistent	474	82.72%	162	80.60%	123	85.42%	189	82.89%
Increased	42	7.33%	18	8.96%	12	8.33%	12	5.26%
573 Total			201 Total		144 Total		228 Total	

			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
Never	222	38.74%	96	47.76%	51	35.42%	75	32.89%
Once a quarter	24	4.19%	6	2.99%	3	2.08%	15	6.58%
Once a month	42	7.33%	12	5.97%	12	8.33%	18	7.89%
Bi-weekly	87	15.18%	21	10.45%	33	22.92%	33	14.47%
Weekly	198	34.55%	66	32.84%	45	31.25%	87	38.16%
573 Total			201 Total		144 Total		228 Total	

More respondents than average never participate in circles at 211 Sumner. This is a negative trend.
Fewer respondents than average never participate in circles at Sanctuary. This is a positive trend.

			Scheduling difficulties (22), Groups weren't welcoming/accepting (19), I don't know where to start (18), No commitment from group members (16), No personal invite (11), No child care provided (8), I live outside of Lincoln (6), Too much gossip (4), How do I join? (3), Can't find consistent Bible materials (2), Group wasn't open/honest (2)
Barriers	129	22.51%	
No Barriers	444	77.49%	
573 Total			

At Christ Lincoln			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
Never	189	33.51%	72	36.36%	45	31.25%	72	32.43%
Once a month	198	35.11%	69	34.85%	36	25.00%	93	41.89%
Twice a month	72	12.77%	24	12.12%	27	18.75%	21	9.46%
Thrice a month	105	18.62%	33	16.67%	36	25.00%	36	16.22%
564 Total			198 Total		144 Total		222 Total	

Outside of Christ Lincoln			211 Sumner		211 Yankee Hill		Sanctuary	
Never	219	41.24%	75	41.67%	44	45.83%	84	39.44%
Once a month	177	33.33%	57	31.67%	36	37.50%	72	33.80%
Twice a month	42	7.91%	24	13.33%	3	3.13%	9	4.23%
Thrice a month	93	17.51%	24	13.33%	13	13.54%	48	22.54%
531 Total			180 Total		138 Total		213 Total	

Christ Lincoln prioritizes mission work			I can get involved in mission opportunities through CL		
Strongly Disagree	9	1.58%	Strongly Disagree	9	1.57%
Disagree	81	14.21%	Disagree	96	16.75%
Agree	423	74.21%	Agree	369	64.40%
Strongly Agree	57	10.00%	Strongly Agree	99	17.28%
570 Total			573 Total		

84.21% say we prioritize missions (7.83% decrease from '24), 81.68% say they can get involved (7.77% decrease from '24).
66.49% (4.66% increase from '24) volunteer at CL, and only 58.76% (7.70% increase from '24) volunteer outside of CL.

Personal Prayer			Personal Scripture Reading			Family Devotion Time		
Never	18	3.14%	Never	66	11.52%	Never	258	46.49%
Once a month	36	6.28%	Once a month	57	9.95%	Once a month	36	6.49%
Bi-Weekly	18	3.14%	Bi-Weekly	27	4.71%	Bi-Weekly	39	7.03%
Weekly	45	7.85%	Weekly	81	14.14%	Weekly	81	14.59%
Few Times/Week	105	18.32%	Few Times/Week	147	25.65%	Few Times/Week	48	8.65%
Daily	351	61.26%	Daily	195	34.03%	Daily	93	16.76%
573 Total			573 Total			555 Total		

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree		Strongly Agree	+ %			
CL sermons make a specific impact on my life.	0	0.00%	48	8.38%	318	55.50%	207	36.13%	91.63%
Congregation encourages me to serve in the community.	6	1.06	90	15.87%	366	64.55%	105	18.52%	83.07%
CL welcomes others well.	3	0.52%	24	4.19%	297	51.83%	249	43.46%	95.29%
CL supports my spiritual growth.	0	0.00%	33	5.79%	315	55.26%	222	38.95%	94.21%
Congregation places a high value on prayer.	3	0.52%	45	7.85%	318	55.50%	207	36.13%	91.63%

Do you have any thoughts you would like to share regarding our discipleship settings?

Many respondents affirm the overall discipleship emphasis and appreciate the intentionality (and some specifically praise pastoral engagement and efforts to build connection). At the same time, several ask for clearer pathways—how to move from attending worship into deeper formation, and how to find what's available without digging. A notable request is for more accessible "next steps," especially for those newer to the church or less naturally plugged-in socially.

A second major theme is content depth and leadership: multiple comments ask for more pastor-led or theologically trained teaching (including deeper Bible-book studies), with specific mentions that Yankee Hill sometimes feels underserved in these offerings. There are also worship-structure preferences mixed in (liturgy and Scripture reading balance), plus a few responses critiquing the "rows/arrows/circles/dots" branding as confusing or off-putting even if they like the concept.

Ease of Receiving Comm.

	2025 Results	2024 Results	2023 Results	211 SUM	211 YH	SANC
Emergency info	3.22	3.19	2.90	3.38	3.19	3.13
Event info	3.20	3.26	2.96	3.37	3.05	3.15
Financial info	2.79	2.97	2.46	2.77	2.88	2.76
General info	3.21	3.28	2.86	3.28	3.18	3.18
Hiring info	3.26	3.32	--	3.37	3.25	3.19
395 Total				192 Total	135 Total	150 Total

Key: 1.00 is Very Difficult, 2.00 is Difficult, 3.00 is Easy, 4.00 is Very Easy
Sanctuary needs more/targeted focus as it's below in every category.

Communication Preferences

	Emergency Info		Event info		Financial info		General info		Hiring info		Don't use this	
Emails	351	65.00%	363	66.48%	303	57.06%	339	62.43%	186	37.58%	18	4.23%
Newsletters	141	26.11%	339	62.09%	264	49.72%	345	63.54%	276	55.76%	30	7.-04%
Text Messaging	333	61.67%	144	26.37%	51	9.60%	90	16/57%	36	7.27%	24	5.63%
Pre-Service Ann.	96	17.78%	195	35.71%	42	7.91%	159	20.28%	93	18.79%	12	2.82%
In-Service Ann.	141	26.11%	300	54.95%	102	19.21%	198	36.46%	102	20.61%	9	2.11%
Website	153	28.33%	177	32.42%	174	32.77%	213	39.23%	210	42.42	36	8.45%
Facebook	78	14.44%	99	18.13%	9	1.69%	75	13.81%	63	12.73%	165	38.73%
Instagram	36	6.67%	66	12.09%	9	1.69%	48	8.84%	39	7.88%	297	69.72%
TikTok	6	1.11%	21	3.85%	3	0.56%	12	2.21%	15	3.03%	387	90.85%

Key: Green is our most used channel of communication, Orange is our second most used, and Yellow is our third most used.

Given the demographics of our survey, it isn't surprising that a significant amount of respondents don't use social media.

Email is, across the board, the most used channel of communication, followed by newsletters and our website.

	Strongly Disagree		Disagree		Agree		Strongly Agree		+ %
I am aware of the current open positions at CL.	30	5.49%	87	15.93%	381	69.78%	48	8.79%	78.57%
I am aware that CL hires non-traditional church roles.	30	5.46%	36	6.56%	408	74.32%	75	13.66%	87.98%
I am likely to recommend someone for an opening at CL.	30	5.62%	129	24.16%	342	64.04%	33	6.18%	70.22%
I disagree with the statements listed above.	105	29.17%	180	50.00%	66	18.33%	9	2.50%	79.17%

What comments do you have about access to information or hiring?

"The dominant feedback is about findability and consistency: people want information to be easy to locate, current, and the same across platforms (website, email, Church Center, announcements). Several respondents describe frustration with outdated pages, broken links, or needing to "hunt" for details, and some explicitly want a searchable format (and/or a clear calendar) rather than information buried in long linked newsletters.

On hiring, a handful of comments reflect confusion about how hiring works, what roles exist, and how openings are communicated; a few also critique the wording of the hiring questions themselves. There are also practical suggestions (like better visibility of job openings) and a few strong opinions about staffing priorities (including specific concern that important roles should be full-time)."

How can we improve our communication with you?

Many responses say communication is generally strong, but the most consistent improvement request is simplification + centralization: one "source of truth" (especially a reliable, searchable calendar and clear event details) and fewer mismatched messages across channels. People repeatedly ask for communication that is easier to skim, easier to search later, and clearer about what applies to them (campus/life stage/ministry).

A second theme is format preference: some want more direct email content (not just links), others miss paper-style calendars/newsletters, and a few call for better accountability and quality control (shorter newsletters, better pre-service slide readability, fewer errors/outdated items). A couple of comments also raise transparency issues around major decisions (like hiring processes), suggesting that for some, "better communication" means explaining why decisions are made, not only what is happening.

I agree with the following statements:	Agree	
I trust Christ Lincoln to use my donations as intended.	438	80.66%
I feel my current level of financial giving to Christ Lincoln is generous.	189	34.81%
I regularly review or adjust my level of giving to the church.	234	43.09%
I feel satisfied with Christ Lincoln's overall financial management.	294	54.14%
I trust Christ Lincoln's leadership to make financial decisions that align with our Mission and Vision.	351	64.64%
I feel comfortable approaching church leadership with questions or concerns about financial matters.	240	44.20%
I disagree with the statements listed above.	36	6.63%
543 Total		

What motivates you to give financially to Christ Lincoln? (Select all that apply)	Agree	
Faith and spiritual beliefs	480	88.40%
Trust in church leadership	204	37.57%
Desire to support church programs	357	65.75%
Tradition or habit	183	33.70%
Impact of donation	138	25.41%
Transparency in financial matters	75	13.81%
Other (please specify)	18	3.31%
All of our "Other" responses fit within one of the above categories, such as, "Bible directs me to give from an attitude of gratitude," "we're called to tithe," "desire to expand education wind to provide room for more children and get rid of the portables." One response just shared, "I won't."	543 Total	

What additional thoughts would you like to share regarding your giving and Christ Lincoln's finances?

"The clearest pattern is a desire for greater transparency and clarity—where funds go, how budgets are built, how capital campaigns fit together, and how staffing decisions (full-time/part-time roles, turnover) are made. Some respondents express trust and gratitude, but even many supportive comments still ask for more regular reporting, clearer campaign messaging, and more visible progress updates.

There's also noticeable "campaign fatigue/confusion": people mention overlapping asks, uncertainty about scope/cost, and wanting the church to focus on one major initiative at a time or reduce debt before expanding further. Several responses advocate prioritizing funding for school/kid ministries (and reducing costs borne by families), while others want opportunities to designate gifts toward specific ministry needs or see more congregational input in spending decisions."

Ministries Supporting Your Family's Faith Journey	Extremely Poor		Poor		Good		Excellent		N/A		+ %
Children's Ministry	0	0.00%	3	0.58%	57	11.11%	87	16.96%	366	71.35%	97.98%
Middle School Ministry	0	0.00%	3	0.59%	39	7.65%	69	13.53%	399	78.24%	97.29%
High School Ministry	0	0.00%	6	1.19%	24	4.76%	51	10.12%	423	83.93%	92.59%
Adult Small groups	9	1.78%	24	4.73%	144	28.40%	84	16.57%	246	48.52%	87.35%
Adult Bible studies	3	0.57%	24	4.60%	156	29.89%	114	21.84%	225	43.10%	90.91%
Worship	0	0.00%	18	3.43%	153	29.14%	333	63.43%	21	4.00%	96.43%
Elementary	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	24	4.71%	54	10.59%	432	84.71%	100.00%
Child Care	3	0.59%	0	0.00%	15	2.96%	33	6.51%	456	89.94%	94.14%

The + % section shows what percentage of those that chose one of the four options (not N/A) responded positively.

Likelihood of Recommending to Friends	Extremely Unlikely		Unlikely		Likely		Extremely Likely		N/A		+ %
Children's Ministry	3	0.57%	9	1.71%	144	30.95%	130	32.57%	198	37.71%	96.53%
Middle School Ministry	6	1.16%	15	2.91%	120	26.79%	107	31.98%	210	40.70%	93.52%
High School Ministry	6	1.16%	12	2.31%	120	25.40%	100	28.90%	231	44.51%	93.99%
Adult Discipleship	6	1.16%	39	7.51%	183	40.63%	116	28.32%	144	27.75%	88.83%
Worship	3	0.57%	21	3.98%	153	40.63%	116	62.50%	21	3.09%	95.77%
Elementary	3	0.58%	15	2.91%	93	27.08%	103	27.91%	261	50.58%	94.03%
Child Care	6	1.16%	12	2.33%	87	27.49%	97	27.91%	267	51.74%	94.07%

The + % section shows what percentage of those that chose one of the four options (not N/A) responded positively.

Efforts to Communicate Activities/Needs to CL	Extremely Poor		Poor		Good		Excellent		N/A		+ %
Family Ministries	6	1.14%	21	3.98%	231	43.75%	144	27.27%	126	23.86%	93.28%
Elementary	3	0.58%	24	4.62%	177	34.10%	78	15.03%	237	45.66%	90.43%
Child Care	12	2.33%	45	8.72%	153	29.65%	54	10.47%	252	48.84%	78.41%

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Do you have any additional thoughts you would like to share about the supporting the spiritual growth of our next generation?

Overall sentiment is positive toward children's and youth ministry efforts, with appreciation for leadership and curriculum—especially in children's ministry. The most frequent "forward-looking" requests include deeper pastor-led teaching (so parents and young adults are better equipped), stronger integration of youth into worship life (readers, serving roles, visible participation), and clearer communication about child care and how the congregation can support it.

A second theme is strategy and inclusivity: several respondents mention special-needs accommodations and caregiver support; others emphasize multigenerational discipleship (mentorship, parents equipped to disciple, older adults engaged in serving/teaching). There are also a few pointed critiques—concerns about high school ministry bandwidth, feeling that some groups are overlooked, or that priorities skew toward image or certain demographics—indicating that "supporting our next generation" is strongly connected to how the whole church community is mobilized, not just what happens in youth programming.

What do you believe should be the top priority for Christ Lincoln in the coming year?

The top priority responses cluster into a few major buckets: outreach/evangelism and reaching new people, deepening discipleship/spiritual formation, and strengthening community connection (often through small groups or clearer pathways to belonging). Many answers frame the priority as “keep the main thing the main thing”—preaching the Gospel, inviting the unchurched/dechurched, and ensuring ministries are aligned to that purpose. A second major bucket is school and facility priorities—including the Making Room expansion and broader resourcing for school/family ministry. Some respondents also highlight practical needs (prayer emphasis, worship quality, staffing clarity), suggesting people want both spiritual direction and operational follow-through.

Is there anything else you would like to share with us?

This final catch-all is a mix of gratitude and practical feedback. Many respondents simply thank staff and leaders, express love for the church, and affirm worship and sermon impact. Alongside that encouragement, people bring up specific recurring concerns: desires for clearer information (attendance reporting, where to find key updates), and communication/transparency requests. A notable feature of this section is that it surfaces “small but important” congregant experiences—things like wanting funeral notifications to honor members, questions about where to find certain data, and other quality-of-community touches. In other words, it reinforces that people care about both the big-picture direction and the relational details that make a large church feel connected.