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Rather than having a normal LifeGroup time this week, we ask all Midtown Members during this time to fill out their annual Member Check-Up [here](#) or by scanning this QR code:



The reason we do Member Check-ups is two-fold: We want to know how you are doing, and we want to know how we are doing as your pastors.

In John 10, Jesus says that he is the Good Shepherd and that he knows his sheep. So we as your pastors want to know you, want to know how you're doing, where you're growing, where you're struggling, and how we can better shepherd you.

In order to do that for a church of our size, we utilize Member Check-ups to gather that information so that we can know you and care for you well.

So, during group time right now, you all are going to continue on down the form and complete Member Checkup all together, and after you complete each section, everybody will get a chance to talk through their answers. That way, if there's something that comes up in a group, needs can be met, we can grow in encouraging one another in Christ, and we get to experience more of what the truth of the Gospel brings to our lives, that even as we are fully known, we are also fully loved.

Two things up front:

First, your answers are not going to be shared with anyone outside of your LifeGroup, your coach, and your pastors. These go directly to Downtown Pastors. We're not going to share what's in the form with anyone outside your coaching tree. We may, however, make some changes to the way we do things because of your member checkups. An example comes from a member named Margaret. She wrote a few years ago that she was disappointed that after becoming a missionary member, she didn't have the chance to get to know our pastors as she would like to. As soon as we read it, we thought, "We talk about being family all the time, and when we have new members join us, what's the best way for us to walk the walk and be family with one another?" Now, every time we have new Missionary members join our church, we offer New Members dinner, where our downtown pastors and families come together to share a meal around a table with the folks who've just completed Midtown Class. We really do read each response from our members!

Secondly, not everyone who is in a LifeGroup is a member yet. And we want you to know that while we'd love for you to hop in and take the 101 class with us and join what God is doing here, you'll also have the option to fill out the check-up, it just won't be recorded in the same way it is for Members. And, our hope for you is that you'll get a front-row seat of what it looks like to be shepherded and cared for by pastors, and you will choose to join us as a part of our Midtown Family and become a Missionary Member.

Each section of the Member Checkup follows the Missionary Member Covenant, looking at the practices we agree to as members of our church.

By completing the Member Checkup, you are invited to attend our Member Meeting on Thursday, April 28 from 6:30-8:30 PM in our Blanding auditorium. We will eat together and share Jesus wins. Childcare will be provided. RSVP [here](#) or scan the QR code:

