



MWC "Leadership in Communion" Questionnaire

1. How many years have you been a church leader?

	Less than 5 years	6-10 years	11-15 years	16-20 years	More than 20 years
In a local congregation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In your national church	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In MWC	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. To what extent do you agree that the words communion, oneness and unity are similar descriptors of the same spiritual reality?

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree
- Briefly explain your response

3. What characteristics—qualities, charisms, experience, vision, convictions— do you consider to be most important for leaders whose goal is to cultivate communion, oneness and unity within the church?

4. In general, what corporate behaviors or practices or rituals are important in strengthening the communion, oneness and unity among church leaders?

5. Do your local, national, or global church (MWC) bodies have documents that describe specific roles or behaviors or qualifications for church leaders related to leadership that cultivates communion, oneness or unity in the church?

	Local	National	MWC
Yes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
No	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not sure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please send any relevant documents electronically to kanagy.conrad@gmail.com.

6. Whether in writing or not, what characteristics or qualities of a leader does your local, national, or global church (MWC) consider to be most important for those who are called to lead? Please describe attitudes and values but also behaviors or practices that your church expects of leaders.

Local	<input type="text"/>
National	<input type="text"/>
MWC	<input type="text"/>

7. To what extent does your local, national, or global church (MWC) consider the ability or capacity of a leader to cultivate communion, oneness, or unity within the church as important as part of their calling?

	Local	National	MWC
Not at all important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not so important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Somewhat important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Extremely important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. How important is it to your local, national, or global church (MWC) that a leader illustrate or show that he/she practices and behaves in ways that cultivate communion, oneness, or unity within the church as important as part of their calling?

	Local	National	MWC
Not at all important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not so important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not sure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Somewhat important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. When discerning what the Spirit is saying about a potentially divisive issue, the most important leadership qualities for bringing about communion, oneness and unity in this context are what? Describe both attitudes as well as behaviors or practices.

10. What characteristics of leaders (attitudes, values, actions) have you found to be most important for facilitating communion, oneness and unity in the church while seeking obedience to Christ?

11. Please share an experience where you experience oneness, communion and unity in the midst of a divisive issue, and what was most important in leading to this outcome.

12. What characteristics of leaders (attitudes as well as actions) have you learned tend to limit communion, oneness and unity and that instead lead toward conflict and disunity?

13. From experience in your church context, how has the discernment and calling of leaders changed over time and why? Have these changes been helpful or not in building communion, oneness and unity in the church?

14. What scriptures have been personally important to you when considering how one cultivates communion, oneness in the church? Briefly discuss why these important to you.

15. From your experience, what is the appropriate place of power or authority in church leadership? How can authority and power facilitate or impede unity and oneness?

16. From your experience, what is the appropriate place of power or authority in church leadership? How can authority and power impede or limit unity and oneness?

17. To what degree does the "context" of the corporate discernment make a difference in how unity, oneness and communion are expressed? For example, in what ways if at all, might efforts to nurture unity, oneness and communion be different in the context of a church or leadership crisis as compared to a context of peaceful abundance and when shalom seems to favor the gathered leaders?

Oneness during unity

Oneness during conflict

Oneness during a leadership crisis

Oneness during theological debate

18. How quickly would you consider breaking unity and oneness with your church over a question or issue with which you disagreed with others in order to be faithful to your understanding of Biblical teaching?

Not quickly at all

Somewhat quickly

Not very quickly

Very quickly

Not sure

19. Is there ever appropriate reason for breaking communion, unity and oneness?

20. If you were to break communion, unity or oneness with your church, what might be the reasons or issues?

21. How might one reconcile a decision to break unity, communion, and oneness in light of Jesus' prayer for oneness and unity in John 17?

22. As you consider your local, national and global church (MWC) are there differences between these three spheres in how you think about the importance or value of unity and oneness and communion? If so, please explain.

Local

National

MWC

23. What could MWC do to strengthen the oneness, unity and communion of its members as they gather in-person to discern the mind of Christ? Are there symbols, rituals, liturgies or other resources that might be helpful? If you have copies please send to kanagy.conrad@gmail.com.

24. Is there anything else you would like to share about your experience or understanding of leadership which helps to nurture or limit oneness, communion and unity?

25. Is there anything else you would like to say to the leadership of MWC?