

# RenewalWorks

from Forward Movement

Thank you for beginning the RenewalWorks process. This process serves as a catalyst to refocus congregations (and the individuals within them) on spiritual vitality. Building on ten years of research, this guided approach of self-reflection, sharing, and workshop discussion will challenge your congregation—your leaders, congregants, clergy, and laypeople—to consider how God may be calling you to grow. We look forward to partnering with your church over the next three months.

Your payment of \$500.00 includes the following:

- Individual Spiritual Life Inventory (SLI) link for your congregation (with option to print paper copies);
- Data Findings Report from SLI responses with one hour of RenewalWorks staff consultation via Zoom to review report findings;
- A timeline for the twelve-to-fourteen week process;
- Guided workshop materials for each of the four workshop sessions (This includes a digital Facilitator's Guide, Participant Guide, and supplemental materials);
- Three copies of *Footsteps*, a workbook explaining the intention of this work, and the research behind it (Additional copies can be purchased at a 25% discount at the [Forward Movement website](#) with code RWX at checkout);
- Instructional videos to assist in preparation for the four workshops;
- Weekly Zoom calls with RenewalWorks staff to answer process questions (when participating as part of a launch cohort);
- Sharing best practice examples from parishes that have completed this process;
- Support from the RenewalWorks team and mentors (including one hour of RenewalWorks consulting).

*Please note: On-site workshop facilitation or additional consulting is available for a rate of \$1,000 per day, plus travel and expenses.*

It is our expectation that your church will take the following steps to ensure the success of the RenewalWorks initiative:

- Market and communicate the RenewalWorks process to the church clergy, lay leadership, vestry, and overall congregation before the Spiritual Life Inventory launch date;
- Appoint a facilitator and create a workshop team;
- Ensure a clergy member attends each of the four workshops;
- Arrange for the clergy and facilitator to attend the RenewalWorks consultation call to review your Church's Spiritual Life Inventory Results.

## Expectations and Intellectual Property Agreement:

RenewalWorks will provide you and your parish with step-by-step materials to plan and communicate the RenewalWorks initiative in your congregation. Additionally, we will provide the latest versions of the workshop process and guides, as well as share other best practice materials. In return, we ask for your honest and prompt feedback on the workshop and materials so that we can continue to refine them for use in the wider church.

In the course of this process, your church might develop new materials to support this work, your growth or best practices in your congregation. If these materials do not have commercial possibilities, you agree that we can share the materials you have created with the wider church—with full credit to you and with you retaining ownership—or we can point others to your congregation to request copies of the materials.

If the materials created above appear to have commercial possibilities for publication, Forward Movement will have right of first refusal on publishing the materials. If revenue is generated from the sale of these materials, your parish will share in the royalties. However, our intent is to provide a wide range of digital materials for no fees.

Finally, the work of the RenewalWorks process is maximized with the active participation of the workshop leadership facilitator and the senior clergy. Intense and intentional prior planning should be given to organizing and communicating to the parish the RenewalWorks overall process and the selection of the leadership team and workshop dates prior to the Spiritual Life Inventory launch date. We expect that both the facilitator and the senior clergy will fully participate in the distribution of your parish’s final report data and participate in discussion with RenewalWorks staff about the report.

Refunds are available prior to the creation of your church’s Spiritual Life Inventory link; however, once the link has been created, we can only accommodate changes to the original launch date (up to one year), and refunds will no longer be available. Approximately ten days prior to the Spiritual Life Inventory launch date, we will email you a live link to the survey for distribution to your congregants.

**In agreement:**

Clergy/Staff Signature and Date:

Parish Name:

Expected Spiritual Life Inventory Launch Date:

**To prepare for your participation, please complete the following information:**

1. What is the average Sunday attendance at your congregation?
2. Compared with three years ago, would you say that average Sunday attendance has...  
*Increased*\_\_                      *Decreased*\_\_                      *Stayed the same*\_\_
3. Which best describes the community in which your church is located?  
*Rural or open country*\_\_                      *Suburban*\_\_                      *Urban*\_\_
4. Approximately what percentage of the regular adult participants in your congregation is represented in each category? (Must total 100%)

<i>Asian or Pacific Islander</i>	
<i>Black or African American</i>	
<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>	
<i>White and non-Hispanic</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>