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### Overview:

The workshop is based on the book, [Small Church Checkup: Assessing Your Church Health and Creating a Treatment Plan](#) by Kotan and Schroeder. The resource will help a small church walk through a self-guided “health” assessment to determine the health and vitality of the church to establish which of the three types of small churches they are: Not Yet Big Small Church, Small, Stable Church, or a Smaller Church. Once this determination is made, there are multiple treatment plans offered for each.

### Not Yet Big

A Not Yet Big small church is one that is growing and reaching new people. They have the momentum and potential to continue to do so. Their treatment plans will help build on their strengths and begin to develop systems to sustain the growth and vitality.

### Stable

A Stable small church is one that is consistent and healthy. They are a staple of the community and would be greatly missed if they were to close. They have their finger on the heartbeat of the community and have weaved the life of the church into the fabric of the people of the community. The treatment plans for this church help solidify the great attributes of the congregation and build the awareness of how to continue to remain relevant and contextual in an ever-changing world.

## Smaller

A Smaller church is one that is getting smaller each year. This might have once been a stable church or maybe even a larger church. But, this church has lost their vitality. This church is no longer reaching new people and might not even be missed by the community if they closed because they have likely become invisible to the community already. There are nine different treatment plans for consideration for revitalization and legacy.