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# **What can BLUE Do For You?**

Building LIFELONG Connections  
with young adults

**TAKE THE QUIZ**

**&**

**Enjoy the Music**



**Volunteers.  
Don't make me  
come get you.**

# What did your household look like growing up?



# Which do you prefer????





# At the Bank, what's Your preference????



# **What's Your Occupation?**



# **What does this All Mean?**

**The Black Church is no  
longer considered the hub of  
Social Action**



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# **The Church Appears To Be Old And Stagnant**

**NOT HOW BUT WHY.....**

**WORSHIP SERVICE**

**VS**

**WORSHIP EXPERIENCE**



**3 most fiercely defended  
church traditions are:  
worship and music  
style,  
order of the worship  
service, and time of the  
worship service.**

**“And yet time and again the congregation says the worship service is less inspiring, the music less helpful, and the preaching less relevant than the pastor thinks. They say the worship service does not help them connect with God, and confess that that they are often bored during the worship service and don’t look forward to it.”**

**Dick Loizeaux**

**Getting honest about our worship services**

<https://www.convergemidamerica.org/blog/Dick-Loizeaux-getting-honest-about-our-worship-services>

**Our Young People No Longer Have to Attend Church Physically to Worship. The internet yields them access to fulfilling Sermons, Choirs, and Worship services without getting out of their Pajamas.**



**Young people have real questions and are looking for the answers?**

**How does the church respond to the issues of the world?**

**The church does not  
respect their time,  
talents, or abilities????**

**Young Adults in the Church hold advanced  
degrees, manage millions of Dollars  
Monday-Friday and then Sunday they  
come to a church that is reluctant to let  
them perform the simplest duties.**

# **What can we as Laity Do???**