

'Live Churches

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- 'Live Churches always have parking problems; dead churches never do.
 - 'Live Churches always need more building space; dead churches have too much.
 - 'Live Churches always need more money; dead churches have plenty in savings.
 - 'Live Churches always need more volunteers; dead churches need none.
 - 'Live Churches always seem to be launching some new project; dead churches never do.
 - 'Live Churches take up special offerings for special projects; dead churches don't need to.
 - 'Live Churches make some enemies in the community; dead churches are politically correct.
 - 'Live Churches have longer services; dead churches have short ones.
 - 'Live Churches have altar calls; dead churches are afraid to have such.
 - 'Live Churches take time to pray over people in church services; dead churches don't care.
 - 'Live Churches always need improvement in some area; dead churches see no need to change.
 - 'Live Churches take care of their staff; dead churches neglect their leaders and their families.
 - 'Live Churches give to world missions and the poor; dead churches hoard it all for themselves.
 - 'Live Churches preach bold messages; dead churches orate polite and flowery sermonettes.
 - 'Live Churches cannot depend on any one church member for money; dead churches do.
 - 'Live Churches are run by the anointed leaders; dead churches are run by the most popular.
 - 'Live Churches are both loved and hated; dead churches don't stir up any controversy.
 - 'Live Churches receive & let go of their members freely; dead churches try to control theirs.
 - 'Live Churches are insatiably hungry for God; dead churches are quite satisfied, thank you.
 - 'Live Churches are friendly to visitors; dead churches have become uppity and cliquish.
 - 'Live Churches offer a warm loving Jesus; dead churches offer a cold formal religion.
 - 'Live Churches have people problems quite often; dead churches rarely do.
 - 'Live Churches always need more staff; dead churches have too many at the top.
 - 'Live Churches are led by the Spirit; dead churches are bound up by boring liturgy.
 - 'Live Churches are spontaneous; dead churches are too predictable.
 - 'Live Churches are very imperfect; dead churches are always perfect, of course.
 - 'Live Churches are free and forgiving; dead churches are hard and legalistic.
 - 'Live Churches are always dreaming churches; dead churches are bragging churches.
 - 'Live Churches wear and tear on their facilities; dead church buildings are perfect monuments.
 - 'Live Churches are always on the cutting edge; dead churches are safe in their comfort zones.
 - 'Live Churches afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted; dead churches, the opposite.
 - 'Live Churches challenge and motivate; dead churches sweet talk and charm you.
 - 'Live Churches preach against sin; dead churches say, "I'm OK; you're OK."
 - 'Live Churches are relevant to their present day culture; dead churches are steeped in tradition.
 - 'Live Churches teach "Who We Are In Christ"; dead churches just set forth religious rules.
 - 'Live Churches know they have much of God to experience yet; dead churches know it all.
 - 'Live Churches struggle against demonic plots; dead churches draw no flack from the enemy.
- And just maybe, 'Live Churches are full of people who make mistakes, **JUST LIKE YOU!**