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## **SPIRITUAL LIFE PATTERNS, BELIEFS AND ATTITUDES OF ORDINARY SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH MEMBERS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA-INDIAN OCEAN DIVISION**

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## Introduction

Dynamic leadership requires listening, learning, and taking action. This is true in any kind of leadership, especially in church leadership. An objective understanding of the church climate is an asset for a church leadership to effectively lead and manage change. This can be obtained through a church member survey, where the leadership can have an idea of the pulse of the church members.

The valuegenesis study, the largest and most comprehensive study ever made of church youth, which begun in 1989, was an important landmark study carried out by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

It assessed their faith and values in the context of the most influential institutions: family, church, and school, and identified what it was in those venues that encouraged a mature faith, and positive values development. The impact of the study set in motion a whole series of events—planned changed conferences, vision-to-action focus groups, new concerns, attitudes, training programs, priorities of the home, school, and church, and publications—that resulted in more effective way to help youth to a life of commitment and loyalty to the Adventist church.

(<http://www.lasierra.edu/index.php?id=2284>)

A survey is a listening tool that can give the leadership a baseline view of reality. Indeed, conducting a church member survey is a tangible step that church leadership must take that they may be given direction towards staying focused on areas that should be the highest priorities in strategic planning.

This survey, which was commissioned and funded by the General Conference, was conducted in the Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This was done by a research team from the University of Eastern Africa, Baraton: Prof. Elizabeth M. Role, Director of Graduate Studies and Research (team leader); Dr. Lameck

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In this photo: standing from left to right, Pastor Caesar Wamalika, Prof. Nehemiah Nyaundi, and Dr. Fanta Hotamo; sitting from left to right, Dr. Lameck Miyayo, Prof. Elizabeth Role, and Prof. Yona Balyage.

### **Sampling Procedures**

It was desired that each conference/mission/field be represented in the sample. The team leader requested the SID executive secretary for the email addresses of the union

executive secretaries through the administrative secretary (secretariat). The union executive secretaries provided the email addresses of the conference/mission/field executive secretaries upon request. Each conference/mission/field executive secretary was asked to submit the list of churches, indicating the location (urban or rural) of each church and the size of each church in terms of membership. This information was written in a form sent to them (see appendix A). The churches were stratified in terms of size (small, medium and large membership), based on the ranking of the churches according to membership, and location (urban and rural).

The team leader ranked the churches in each conference/mission/field according to membership.

- In conferences/missions/fields with 500 or more churches, twenty (20) large, 20 medium, and 20 small churches in terms of membership, both in urban and rural areas, were identified. Two large churches, two medium churches, and two small churches, from urban and rural locations, were randomly selected to comprise 12 churches in the sample.
- In conferences/missions/fields with between 100 to 499 churches, ten (10) large, 10 medium and 10 small churches in terms of membership, both in urban and rural areas, were identified. One large church, one medium church and one small church, from urban and rural locations, were randomly selected to comprise 6 churches in the sample.
- In conferences/missions/fields with between 50 to 99 churches, ten (10) large, 10 medium and 10 small churches in terms of membership, were identified without considering the location. One large church, one medium church and one small church were randomly selected to comprise 3 churches in the sample.
- In conferences/missions/fields with between 10 to 49 churches, 1 large, 1 medium, and 1 small church were randomly selected to comprise 3 churches in the sample.

- In conferences/missions/fields with less than 10 churches, the church with the largest membership comprised the sample.

The number of church members expected to participate in the study was based on the following rule:

Large church	50 members
Medium church	30 members
Small church	10 members

### **The Research Instrument**

The questionnaire (Appendix B) was developed by a team led by Dr. Bailey Gillespie of La Sierra University. Two statements (on witchcraft and polygamy) in the section of religious beliefs were added for the survey in Africa. A pilot study was conducted at the Baraton University Church, involving church members who come from different countries of Africa. The questionnaire was translated in the following languages: Portuguese (Appendix C) and French (Appendix D). The translation was done by native speakers from the countries represented.

### **Data-Gathering Procedures**

The list of sampled churches and the questionnaire, both in English and in the translated language, where necessary, were sent to the executive secretary of each union/conference/mission/field through e-mail attachment. The photocopying of the questionnaire was done in each conference/mission/field.

District/church pastors, elders, and other officers of the church were involved in data collection. Members of the randomly selected churches who were present during the time of data collection and were willing to participate in the study filled the questionnaires. The filled questionnaires were sent to UEAB/ECD by mail or in person.

## **Data Analysis**

The encoding of data was done at UEAB to ensure accuracy and freedom from bias. Seven encoders assisted in the data encoding. The team leader analyzed the data. Descriptive statistics such as frequencies, percentages, means, and standard deviations were used. Demographic information were presented in pie charts, column graphs, and bar graphs. Pearson product-moment and Spearman rank-order correlation coefficients were computed to determine the degree of relationships between variables. One-way analysis of variance was used to determine significant differences among groups.

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## Executive Summary

### Demographic Information of the Respondents

The data were gathered from two thousand four hundred ninety eight (2,498) church members in eleven countries namely, Angola, Botswana, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Reunion, Sao Tome and Principe, South Africa, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Majority of the respondents were males (54.5%), baptized members of the church (90%), attended church services 4 or more times a month, on the average, the past year (75%), were converted Seventh-day Adventists (53%), are not employed by the church or church-affiliated institutions (82%), attend church worship services once or more than once a week (73%), and consider themselves as active participants (46%) or leader in church (28.5%). All age ranges from 15 years or younger to 80 years or older and all levels of education from primary to graduate school are represented, with 73% having no SDA schooling. The respondents have a high degree of satisfaction with the church they attend (mean of 7.8 on a scale of 1 to 10).

### About the Church

Cold and unfriendly church and not meaningful worship services are the most common reasons given that would make the church members consider leaving the church they attend. The first five statements that are often true about the church the respondents attend are:

- My church is helping me grow closer to Christ
- I feel uncomfortable/guilty when I do not attend church most weekends
- I go to programs at church because I want to
- I feel proud of my church and its role and reputation in my community
- My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well

*Church members who have positive experience with caring church leaders and who have positive attitude toward church programs tend to attend church regularly and get involved in church activities.*

### Church Support

Church members often support the church through *Sabbath School offerings* and *tithes*. They also often support *church building fund*, *mission program*, and *evangelistic projects of the church*.

*Older church members, those who are more involved in church activities, who have positive experiences with church and who had been converted to Adventism for a longer period of time support the church financially.*

*Those who regularly attend church and whose churches help them grow closer to church tend to support mission and evangelism.*

*Church members who received SDA schooling and those employed by an institution owned by or affiliated with the SDA church tend to support Christian education and local church school.*

### **Description of the Pastor**

The respondents describe their pastor as a *good preacher, shows true spiritual leadership in the church community, enthusiastic about ministry, inspiring, and helpful in times of need*. The characteristics of the pastor that have significant positive relationship with frequency of attendance in church services are: *occasionally visits church members of the church in their home, receptive of new ideas, and thorough in pastoral duties*.

### **Local Church Leadership**

The characteristics of the local church leadership that are often true in churches are: *is supportive of involving young people in worship services, clearly communicates the mission of the Church, is active in assisting the local church, is easy to talk with, and is doing enough to engage members in mission*.

### **Reasons for Attending/Remaining Part of the Congregation**

At least 25% of the respondents identified *the music program (28%), doctrines of the church (56%) and worship style (37%)* as reasons for attending their congregation. Similarly, at least 25% of the respondents identified *the music program (25%), evangelism program (29%), doctrines of the church (61%) and worship style (41%)* as reasons for remaining part of their congregation.

*Younger church members were originally attracted to attend and remain in their congregation because of music program and child and youth program.*

*For the older church members, the main reasons why they were originally attracted to the congregation they attend are proximity to where they live and denominational ties. The foremost reasons for older church members to remain part of the congregation they attend are church reputation, community outreach, and denominational ties.*

### **Important Personal Traits of Pastoral Leadership**

The first five personal traits of pastoral leadership considered quite important by the church members generally are: *Biblical preaching and teaching, emphasis on spiritual development and growth, gives whole self to the church, advises people what to do, and expertise in biblical theological matters*.

Older church members consider *expertise in biblical and theological matters, thought-provoking and challenging, strong and decisive decision-maker, comforting and reassuring, encourages lay decision-making, relaxed interpersonal style, and works hard to accomplish tasks*.

### **Caring, Nurture, and Outreach Involvement**

*Older church members perceive the need for the church to improve on caring and nurture more than the younger church members.*

*Church members who attend church regularly and who prefer to go to church more often tend to be willing to get involved in outreach to a great extent.*

## **Religious Life Development**

The following were identified as often helping in the development of the church members' religious life are: *Sabbath school quarterly, Pastor's sermons, church Pastor, public evangelistic meetings, and family. Church retreats, prayer meetings, and family worship* were identified as having the least help.

## **Local Church Characteristics**

The first four characteristics that were identified by church members to be true of their local church are:

- I learn a lot.
- It accepts people who are different.
- It provides fellowship.
- It stretches me in worship.
- It expects people to learn and think.

*Church members who have positive attitude toward their local church tend to regularly attend worship services.*

## **Self-evaluation**

Majority of the church members *are spiritually moved by the beauty of God's creation, have a real sense of God's guidance, feel that their life is filled with meaning and purpose, seek opportunities to grow spiritually, and feel God's presence in their relationship with other people.*

## **Attitudes Toward Religion**

Generally, church members have a positive attitude toward religion. Majority *consider religion important as it answers many questions about the meaning of life, have often had a strong sense of God's presence, enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism, find it important to spend time in private thought and prayer and believe that prayer is for peace and happiness,*

*Older church members tend to read the Bible, engage in personal devotion, and have family worship more often than the younger church members.*

*Younger church members tend to disregard their religious beliefs because of what people think of them and go to church because they enjoy seeing people they know.*

## **Religious Beliefs**

*Younger church members expect the world will end within the next 20 years and believe that SDA beliefs might change over time, that God approves polygamy because some men of God in the Bible were polygamists, and that because of the reality of witchcraft, Christians can go to witchdoctors for protection.*

*Older church members believe that they need to be baptized in the SDA church if they were to be saved.*

**Acceptance of SDA Teachings**

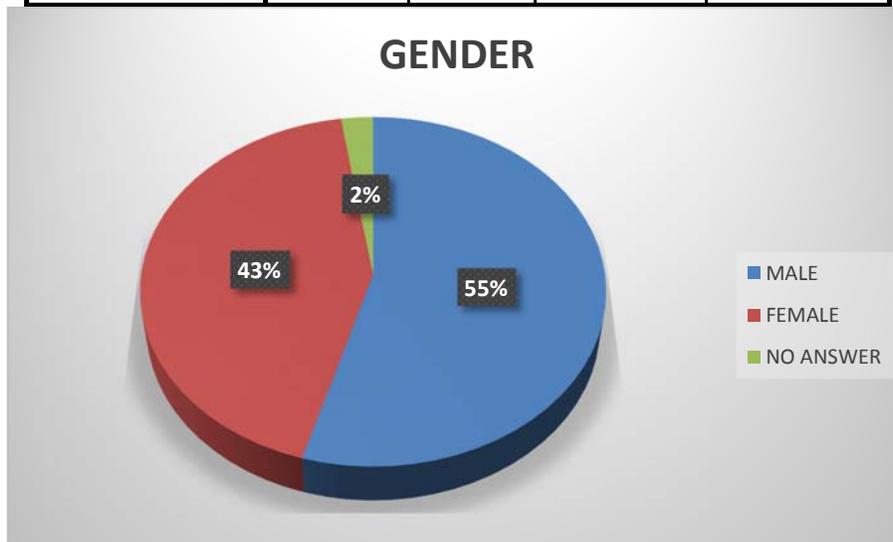
*Older church members tend to embrace wholeheartedly that the investigative judgment began in 1844, the church's interpretation of end-time prophecies, Adventist standards regarding healthful living, and Adventist standards regarding modesty and simplicity in dress.*

## Analysis, Presentation, and Interpretation of Data

### INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESPONDENTS

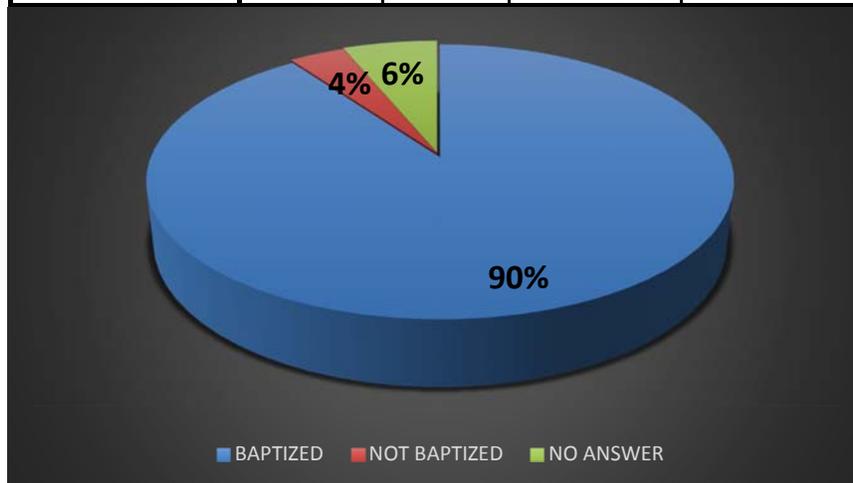
**What is your gender?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	MALE	1361	54.5	55.8	55.8
	FEMALE	1076	43.1	44.2	100.0
	Total	2437	97.6	100.0	
Missing	System	61	2.4		
Total		2498	100.0		



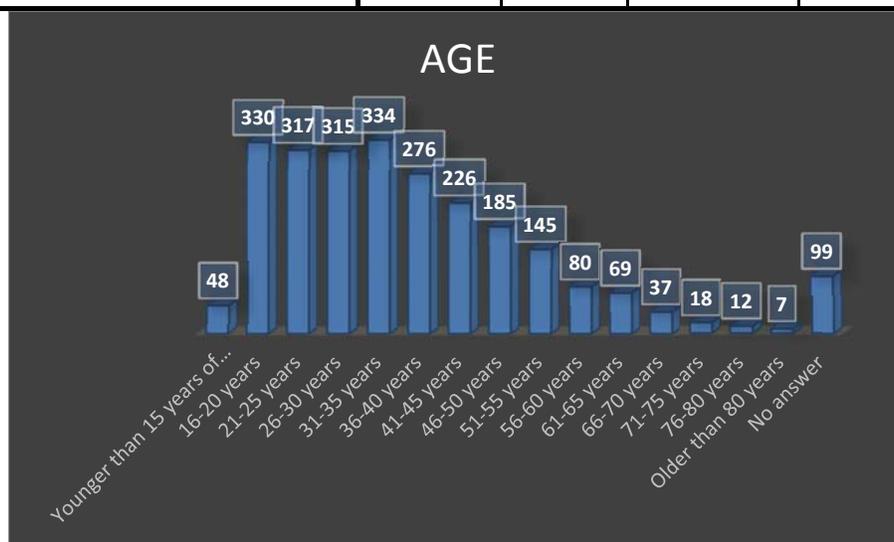
**Are you a baptized member of the SDA Church?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	YES	2251	90.1	96.1	96.1
	NO	92	3.7	3.9	100.0
	Total	2343	93.8	100.0	
Missing	System	155	6.2		
Total		2498	100.0		



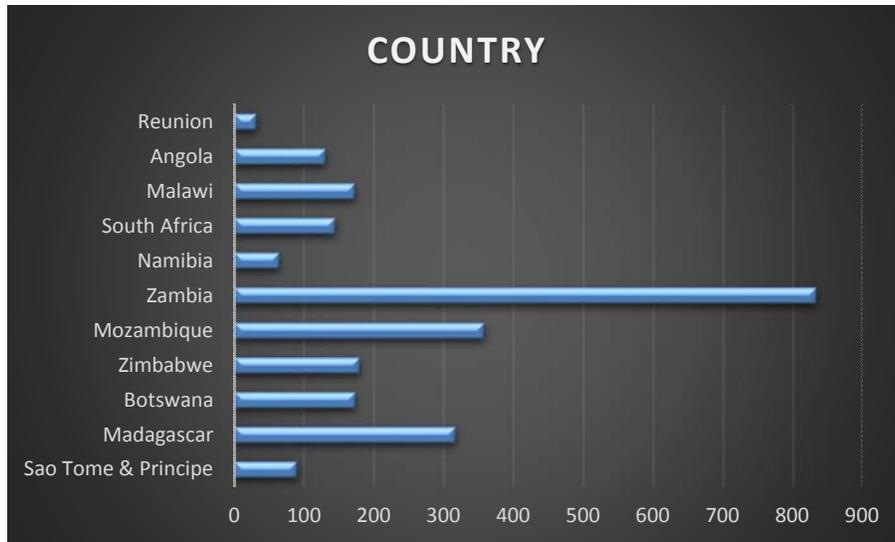
## How old are you?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Younger than 15 years of age	48	1.9	2.0	2.0
16-20 years	330	13.2	13.8	15.8
21-25 years	317	12.7	13.2	29.0
26-30 years	315	12.6	13.1	42.1
31-35 years	334	13.4	13.9	56.0
36-40 years	276	11.0	11.5	67.5
41-45 years	226	9.0	9.4	76.9
Valid 46-50 years	185	7.4	7.7	84.7
51-55 years	145	5.8	6.0	90.7
56-60 years	80	3.2	3.3	94.0
61-65 years	69	2.8	2.9	96.9
66-70 years	37	1.5	1.5	98.5
71-75 years	18	.7	.8	99.2
76-80 years	12	.5	.5	99.7
Older than 80 years	7	.3	.3	100.0
Total	2399	96.0	100.0	
Missing System	99	4.0		
Total	2498	100.0		



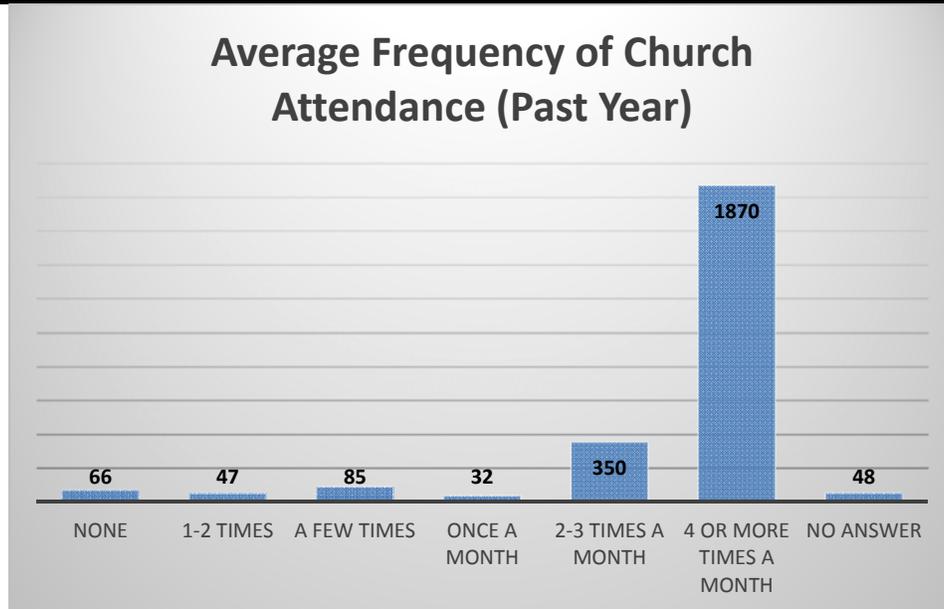
## What country are you living in?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Sao Tome & Principe	90	3.6	3.6	3.6
Madagascar	317	12.7	12.7	16.3
Botswana	174	7.0	7.0	23.3
Zimbabwe	180	7.2	7.2	30.5
Mozambique	358	14.3	14.3	44.8
Valid Zambia	833	33.3	33.3	78.1
Namibia	65	2.6	2.6	80.7
South Africa	145	5.8	5.8	86.5
Malawi	173	6.9	6.9	93.5
Angola	131	5.2	5.2	98.7
Reunion	32	1.3	1.3	100.0
Total	2498	100.0	100.0	



**On the average, about how many times have you attended church services during the last year?**

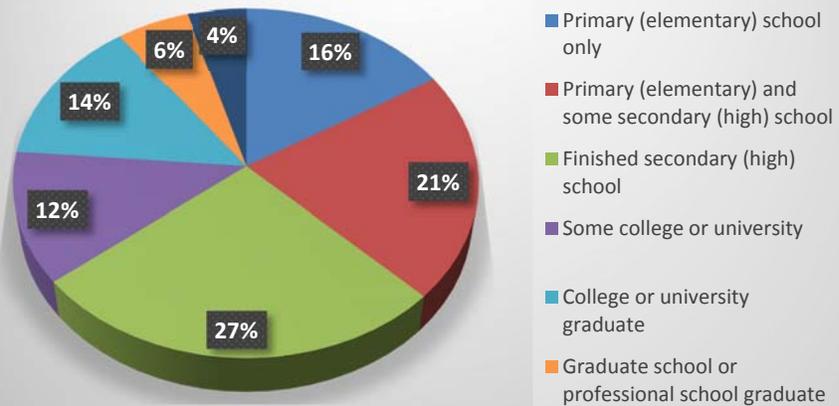
	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	None	66	2.6	2.7
	1-2 times	47	1.9	4.6
	A few times	85	3.4	8.1
	Once a month	32	1.3	9.4
	2-3 times a month	350	14.0	23.7
	4 or more times a month	1870	74.9	100.0
Total	2450	98.1	100.0	
Missing	System	48	1.9	
Total		2498	100.0	



**What is the highest level of school have you completed?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Primary (elementary) school only	403	16.1	16.9	16.9
	Primary (elementary) and some secondary (high) school	530	21.2	22.2	39.1
	Finished secondary (high) school	671	26.9	28.1	67.2
	Some college or university	303	12.1	12.7	79.9
	College or university graduate	341	13.7	14.3	94.2
	Graduate school or professional school graduate	139	5.6	5.8	100.0
	Total	2387	95.6	100.0	
Missing	System	111	4.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION**



**No SDA schooling**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	NO SDA SCHOOLING	1832	73.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	666	26.7		
Total		2498	100.0		



**Some SDA primary (elementary)**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	SOME SDA PRIMARY (ELEMENTARY)	144	5.8	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2354	94.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Completed SDA primary (elementary)**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	COMPLETED SDA PRIMARY (ELEMENTARY)	108	4.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2390	95.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Some SDA secondary (high) school**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	SOME SDA SECONDARY (HIGH) SCHOOL	158	6.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2340	93.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Completed SDA secondary (high) school**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	COMPLETED SDA SECONDARY (HIGH) SCHOOL	106	4.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2392	95.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Some SDA college or university**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	SOME SDA COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	44	1.8	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2454	98.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Completed SDA college or university**

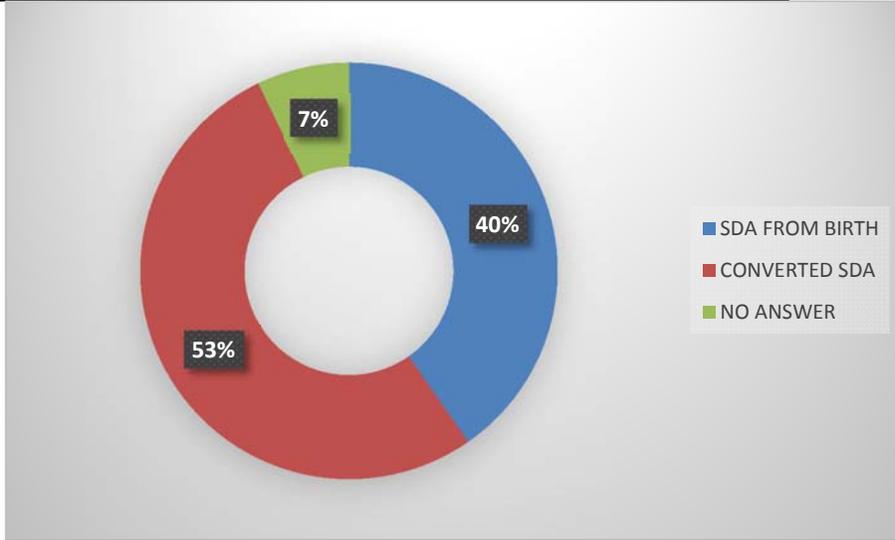
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	COMPLETED SDA COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	54	2.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2444	97.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**SDA graduate school or professional school**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	SDA GRADUATE OR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL	19	.8	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2479	99.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Have you been a Seventh-day Adventist from birth?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	YES	1007	40.3	43.4	43.4
	NO	1312	52.5	56.6	100.0
	Total	2319	92.8	100.0	
Missing	System	179	7.2		
	Total	2498	100.0		

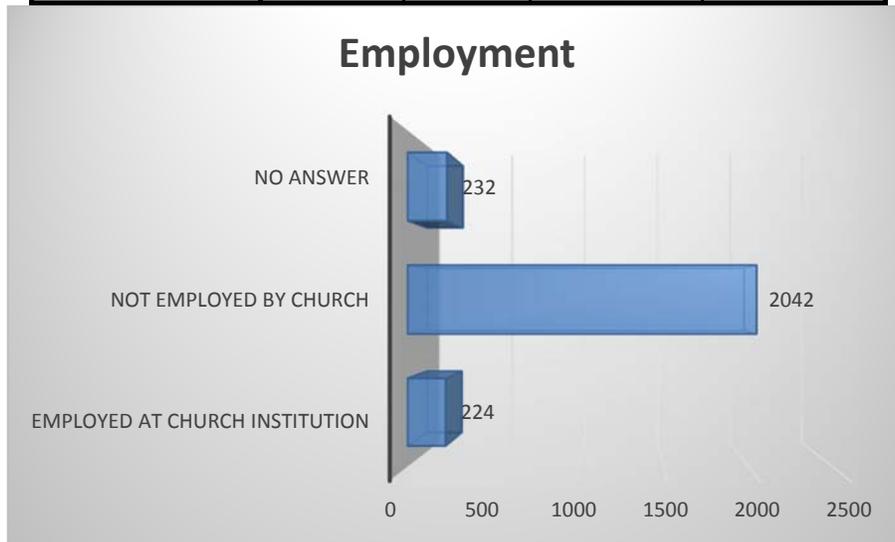


**If not, then for how long have been a Seventh-day Adventist?<sup>a</sup>**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Less than one year	54	4.1	4.2	4.2
	1-4 years	169	12.9	13.1	17.3
	5-10 years	283	21.6	22.0	39.3
	11-15 years	226	17.2	17.5	56.8
	16-20 years	191	14.6	14.8	71.6
	21-25 years	146	11.1	11.3	82.9
	26-30 years	83	6.3	6.4	89.4
	31-35 years	50	3.8	3.9	93.3
	36-40 years	37	2.8	2.9	96.1
	41-45 years	16	1.2	1.2	97.4
	46-50 years	16	1.2	1.2	98.6
	More than 50 years	18	1.4	1.4	100.0
	Total	1289	98.2	100.0	
Missing	System	23	1.8		
Total	1312	100.0			

**Are you employed by an institution that is owned by or affiliated with the SDA Church?**

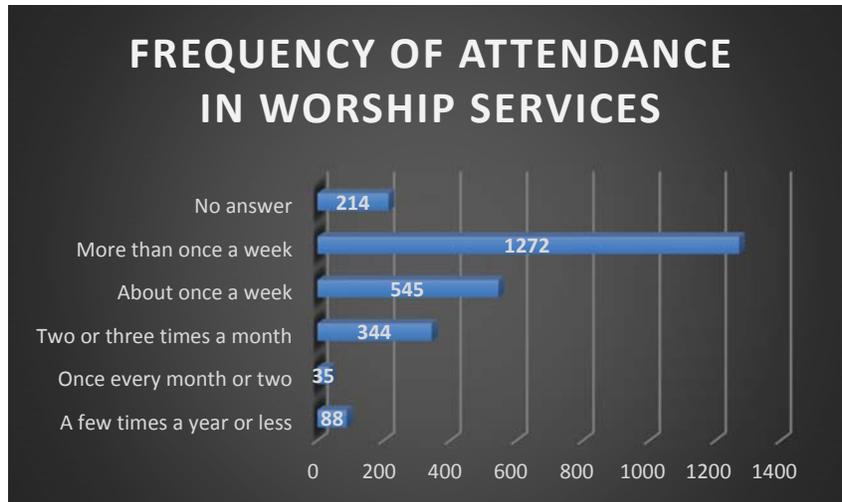
	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid YES	224	9.0	9.9	9.9
Valid NO	2042	81.7	90.1	100.0
Total	2266	90.7	100.0	
Missing System	232	9.3		
Total	2498	100.0		



**ABOUT THE CHURCH**

**How often do you attend worship services at your church?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid A few times a year or less	88	3.5	3.9	3.9
Valid Once every month or two	35	1.4	1.5	5.4
Valid Two or three times a month	344	13.8	15.1	20.4
Valid About once a week	545	21.8	23.9	44.3
Valid More than once a week	1272	50.9	55.7	100.0
Total	2284	91.4	100.0	
Missing System	214	8.6		
Total	2498	100.0		



#### I would prefer to go to church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A few times a year or less	21	.8	.9
	Once every month or two	20	.8	1.8
	Two or three times a month	181	7.2	9.6
	About once a week	222	8.9	19.1
	More than once a week	1877	75.1	100.0
	Total	2321	92.9	100.0
Missing	System	177	7.1	
Total	2498	100.0		

#### How do you consider your involvement in your church?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not participate at all in church activities	104	4.2	4.5
	I consider myself an observer	96	3.8	8.7
	I consider myself a casual participant	240	9.6	19.2
	I consider myself an active participant	1138	45.6	68.9
	I consider myself a leader in my church	711	28.5	100.0
Total	2289	91.6	100.0	
Missing	System	209	8.4	
Total	2498	100.0		

#### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
How satisfied are you with the church you attend?	2135	1.00	10.00	7.7649	2.35925
Valid N (listwise)	2135				

**What characteristics of church life would make you consider leaving your local SDA Church to worship in another congregation of a different faith?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	When sermons are boring	58	2.3	3.2	3.2
	When church is cold and unfriendly	343	13.7	19.2	22.5
	When there are no activities beyond weekend services	128	5.1	7.2	29.6
	When worship services are not meaningful	386	15.5	21.6	51.2
	Other	871	34.9	48.8	100.0
	Total	1786	71.5	100.0	
Missing	System	712	28.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**What characteristics of church life would make you consider leaving your local SDA Church to worship in another SDA church?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	When sermons are boring	86	3.4	4.6	4.6
	When church is cold and unfriendly	527	21.1	28.0	32.6
	When there are no activities beyond weekend services	197	7.9	10.5	43.1
	When worship services are not meaningful	452	18.1	24.0	67.1
	Other	619	24.8	32.9	100.0
	Total	1881	75.3	100.0	
Missing	System	617	24.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**What characteristics of church life would make you consider leaving your local SDA Church to worship at home?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	When sermons are boring	131	5.2	7.4	7.4
	When church is cold and unfriendly	340	13.6	19.2	26.6
	When there are no activities beyond weekend services	131	5.2	7.4	34.0
	When worship services are not meaningful	444	17.8	25.1	59.2
	Other	722	28.9	40.8	100.0
	Total	1768	70.8	100.0	
Missing	System	730	29.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Note:** In the correlation analysis and analysis of variance, the test statistic that is significant at 0.05 level is flagged with one asterisk (\*) and the test statistic that is significant at 0.01 level is flagged with two asterisks (\*\*).

## EXPERIENCE WITH THE CHURCH

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
My church is helping me grow closer to Christ	2222	1.00	4.00	3.4770	.78491
I feel uncomfortable/guilty when I do not attend church most weekends	2223	1.00	4.00	3.4260	.87355
I go to programs at church because I want to	2151	1.00	4.00	3.3975	.86459
I feel proud of my church and its role and reputation in my community	2237	1.00	4.00	3.3625	.85667
My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well	2210	1.00	4.00	3.3195	.92019
I look forward to going to programs at my church	2193	1.00	4.00	3.2823	.85869
The leaders in the church are warm and friendly	2200	1.00	4.00	3.1241	.89135
Programs at my church are interesting	2252	1.00	4.00	3.0915	.85126
I can be myself at church	2099	1.00	4.00	2.9805	1.11156
Programs at my church make me think	2114	1.00	4.00	2.9711	.89623
The leaders in our church care about me	2187	1.00	4.00	2.9694	.96673
My pastor knows me well	2197	1.00	4.00	2.9508	1.12690
I attend small group meetings organized by the church	2198	1.00	4.00	2.8549	1.02821
Valid N (listwise)	1611				

### Programs at my church are interesting

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid never	40	1.6	1.8	1.8
sometimes	602	24.1	26.7	28.5
often	722	28.9	32.1	60.6
almost always	888	35.5	39.4	100.0
Total	2252	90.2	100.0	
Missing System	246	9.8		
Total	2498	100.0		

### Programs at my church make me think

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid never	99	4.0	4.7	4.7
sometimes	583	23.3	27.6	32.3
often	712	28.5	33.7	65.9
almost always	720	28.8	34.1	100.0
Total	2114	84.6	100.0	
Missing System	384	15.4		
Total	2498	100.0		

**My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	119	4.8	5.4	5.4
	sometimes	338	13.5	15.3	20.7
	often	471	18.9	21.3	42.0
	almost always	1282	51.3	58.0	100.0
	Total	2210	88.5	100.0	
Missing	System	288	11.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**My pastor knows me well**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	348	13.9	15.8	15.8
	sometimes	407	16.3	18.5	34.4
	often	447	17.9	20.3	54.7
	almost always	995	39.8	45.3	100.0
	Total	2197	88.0	100.0	
Missing	System	301	12.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The leaders in the church are warm and friendly**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	75	3.0	3.4	3.4
	sometimes	529	21.2	24.0	27.5
	often	644	25.8	29.3	56.7
	almost always	952	38.1	43.3	100.0
	Total	2200	88.1	100.0	
Missing	System	298	11.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I can be myself at church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	326	13.1	15.5	15.5
	sometimes	339	13.6	16.2	31.7
	often	484	19.4	23.1	54.7
	almost always	950	38.0	45.3	100.0
	Total	2099	84.0	100.0	
Missing	System	399	16.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The leaders in our church care about me**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	151	6.0	6.9	6.9
	sometimes	603	24.1	27.6	34.5
	often	595	23.8	27.2	61.7
	almost always	838	33.5	38.3	100.0
	Total	2187	87.6	100.0	
Missing	System	311	12.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I look forward to going to programs at my church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	79	3.2	3.6	3.6
	sometimes	349	14.0	15.9	19.5
	often	639	25.6	29.1	48.7
	almost always	1126	45.1	51.3	100.0
	Total	2193	87.8	100.0	
Missing	System	305	12.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I go to programs at church because I want to**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	104	4.2	4.8	4.8
	sometimes	234	9.4	10.9	15.7
	often	516	20.7	24.0	39.7
	almost always	1297	51.9	60.3	100.0
	Total	2151	86.1	100.0	
Missing	System	347	13.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**My church is helping me grow closer to Christ**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	61	2.4	2.7	2.7
	sometimes	224	9.0	10.1	12.8
	often	531	21.3	23.9	36.7
	almost always	1406	56.3	63.3	100.0
	Total	2222	89.0	100.0	
Missing	System	276	11.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I attend small group meetings organized by the church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	241	9.6	11.0
	sometimes	621	24.9	39.2
	often	552	22.1	64.3
	almost always	784	31.4	100.0
	Total	2198	88.0	100.0
Missing	System	300	12.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

**I feel uncomfortable/guilty when I do not attend church most weekends**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	95	3.8	4.3
	sometimes	291	11.6	17.4
	often	409	16.4	35.8
	almost always	1428	57.2	100.0
	Total	2223	89.0	100.0
Missing	System	275	11.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

**I feel proud of my church and its role and reputation in my community**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	75	3.0	3.4
	sometimes	337	13.5	18.4
	often	527	21.1	42.0
	almost always	1298	52.0	100.0
	Total	2237	89.6	100.0
Missing	System	261	10.4	
Total		2498	100.0	

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH INVOLVEMENT AND CARE OF LEADERS

How do you consider your involvement in your church?	The leaders in our church care about me	My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well	My pastor knows me well
SOUTHERN AFRICA INDIAN OCEAN	Correlation Coefficient	.170**	.248**
	N	2120	2139
			.267**
		2139	2132

***Church members who experience care of Sabbath School teachers, leaders, and pastors tend to be more involved in church.***

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES ATTENDANCE AND EXPERIENCE WITH CHURCH LEADERS

How often do you attend worship services at your church?	My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well	My pastor knows me well	The leaders in the church are warm and friendly	The leaders in our church care about me	
SOUTHERN AFRICA INDIAN OCEAN	Correlation Coefficient	.127**	.110**	.062**	.055*
	N	2139	2130	2132	2114

***Church members who have positive experiences with church leaders tend to attend worship services regularly.***

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES ATTENDANCE AND EXPERIENCE WITH/ATTITUDE TOWARD CHURCH PROGRAMS

How often do you attend worship services at your church?	I look forward to going to programs at my church	I go to programs at church because I want to	My church is helping me grow closer to Christ	I attend small group meetings organized by the church	
SOUTHERN AFRICA INDIAN OCEAN	Correlation Coefficient	.114**	.095**	.125**	.233**
	N	2124	2085	2148	2123

***Church members who have positive experience with/attitude toward church programs tend to attend worship services more often.***

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES ATTENDANCE AND ATTITUDE TOWARD CHURCH

How often do you attend worship services at your church?	I feel uncomfortable/guilty when I do not attend church most weekends	I feel proud of my church and its role and reputation in my community	
SOUTHERN AFRICA INDIAN OCEAN	Correlation Coefficient	.056**	.066**
	N	2152	2165

***Church members who have positive attitude toward church tend to be more regular in worship services attendance.***

## CHURCH SUPPORT

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Sabbath School offerings	2032	1.00	5.00	3.8834	1.09862
Through my tithe	2055	1.00	5.00	3.8268	1.18254
The church building fund	1943	1.00	5.00	3.5080	1.27594
The mission program of the church	1913	1.00	5.00	3.4135	1.29691
The evangelistic projects of the church	1883	1.00	5.00	3.4126	1.28929
Christian education	1745	1.00	5.00	3.0900	1.40667
I provide extra for the 13th Sabbath offering	1894	1.00	5.00	2.9224	1.41339
I provide support for the local church school	1642	1.00	5.00	2.5914	1.50052
Through wills and trusts	1624	1.00	5.00	2.4901	1.54135
Valid N (listwise)	1047				

**Note:** The responses NOT APPLICABLE were treated as MISSING in the computation of the means and standard deviations.

### Through my tithe

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	100	4.0	4.7	4.7
seldom	189	7.6	8.9	13.6
sometimes	478	19.1	22.5	36.1
Valid often	488	19.5	22.9	59.0
always	800	32.0	37.6	96.6
not applicable	72	2.9	3.4	100.0
Total	2127	85.1	100.0	
Missing System	371	14.9		
Total	2498	100.0		

### Sabbath School offerings

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	78	3.1	3.7	3.7
seldom	127	5.1	6.0	9.7
sometimes	509	20.4	24.2	33.9
Valid often	558	22.3	26.5	60.4
always	760	30.4	36.1	96.4
not applicable	75	3.0	3.6	100.0
Total	2107	84.3	100.0	
Missing System	391	15.7		
Total	2498	100.0		

**Christian education**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	341	13.7	17.9
	seldom	254	10.2	31.3
	sometimes	434	17.4	54.0
	often	339	13.6	71.8
	always	377	15.1	91.6
	not applicable	159	6.4	100.0
	Total	1904	76.2	100.0
Missing	System	594	23.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The church building fund**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	196	7.8	9.6
	seldom	193	7.7	19.0
	sometimes	539	21.6	45.4
	often	458	18.3	67.8
	always	557	22.3	95.0
	not applicable	102	4.1	100.0
	Total	2045	81.9	100.0
Missing	System	453	18.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The mission program of the church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	215	8.6	10.8
	seldom	232	9.3	22.4
	sometimes	512	20.5	48.0
	often	455	18.2	70.8
	always	499	20.0	95.8
	not applicable	83	3.3	100.0
	Total	1996	79.9	100.0
Missing	System	502	20.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The evangelistic projects of the church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	212	8.5	10.7
	seldom	216	8.6	21.6
	sometimes	522	20.9	48.0
	often	449	18.0	70.6
	always	484	19.4	95.1
	not applicable	98	3.9	100.0
	Total	1981	79.3	100.0
Missing	System	517	20.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**I provide extra for the 13th Sabbath offering**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	never	429	17.2	21.5	21.5
	seldom	309	12.4	15.5	37.0
	sometimes	510	20.4	25.6	62.6
	often	272	10.9	13.6	76.2
	always	374	15.0	18.7	94.9
	not applicable	101	4.0	5.1	100.0
	Total	1995	79.9	100.0	
Missing	System	503	20.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I provide support for the local church school**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	never	609	24.4	31.9	31.9
	seldom	214	8.6	11.2	43.1
	sometimes	337	13.5	17.7	60.8
	often	203	8.1	10.6	71.4
	always	279	11.2	14.6	86.0
	not applicable	267	10.7	14.0	100.0
	Total	1909	76.4	100.0	
Missing	System	589	23.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Through wills and trusts**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	never	706	28.3	37.9	37.9
	seldom	162	6.5	8.7	46.6
	sometimes	283	11.3	15.2	61.8
	often	200	8.0	10.7	72.6
	always	273	10.9	14.7	87.2
	not applicable	238	9.5	12.8	100.0
	Total	1862	74.5	100.0	
Missing	System	636	25.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES  
ATTENDANCE AND SUPPORT OF MISSION/EVANGELISTIC PROJECTS**

How do you consider your involvement in your church?	SID	
The mission program of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.248**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1856
The evangelistic projects of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.275**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1826

***Church members who attend worship services more often tend to support mission/evangelistic efforts.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROLE OF CHURCH IN HELPING GROWTH IN CHRIST AND SUPPORT OF MISSION/EVANGELISTIC PROJECTS

My church is helping me grow closer to Christ		SID
The mission program of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.139**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1834
The evangelistic projects of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.115**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1802

***Members of churches, which help them grow in Christ, tend to support mission/evangelistic projects.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AGE AND CHURCH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

How old are you?		SID
Through my tithe	Correlation Coefficient	.257**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1974
Sabbath School offerings	Correlation Coefficient	.195**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1950
Christian education	Correlation Coefficient	.107**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1665
The church building fund	Correlation Coefficient	.283**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1863
The mission program of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.201**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1834
The evangelistic projects of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.203**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1814
I provide extra for the 13th Sabbath offering	Correlation Coefficient	.198**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1819
I provide support for the local church school	Correlation Coefficient	.152**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1578

***Older members financially support the church more than the younger members.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SDA SCHOOLING RECEIVED AND SUPPORT TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND LOCAL CHURCH SCHOOL

SDA SCHOOLING		SID
Christian education	Correlation Coefficient	.084**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1745
I provide support for the local church school	Correlation Coefficient	.072**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.003
	N	1642

		N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error
Christian education	NO SDA SCHOOLING	1293	3.0193	1.40777	.03915
	WITH SDA SCHOOLING	452	3.2920	1.38527	.06516
	Total	1745	3.0900	1.40667	.03367
I provide support for the local church school	NO SDA SCHOOLING	1214	2.5264	1.47713	.04239
	WITH SDA SCHOOLING	428	2.7757	1.55196	.07502
	Total	1642	2.5914	1.50052	.03703

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		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Christian education	Between Groups	24.907	1	24.907	12.671	.000
	Within Groups	3425.968	1743	1.966		
	Total	3450.874	1744			
I provide support for the local church school	Between Groups	19.673	1	19.673	8.779	.003
	Within Groups	3675.124	1640	2.241		
	Total	3694.797	1641			

***Church members who received SDA schooling tend to support Christian education and their local church school.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND LOCAL CHURCH SCHOOL

Are you employed by an institution that is owned by or affiliated with the SDA Church? YES – 1 NO – 2		SID
Christian education	Correlation Coefficient	-.059'
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.015
	N	1678
I provide support for the local church school	Correlation Coefficient	-.140**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1573

***Church members who are employed by an institution that is owned by or affiliated with the SDA church tend to support Christian education and the local church school.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH INVOLVEMENT AND CHURCH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

How do you consider your involvement in your church?		SID
Through my tithe	Correlation Coefficient	.207**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1993
Sabbath School offerings	Correlation Coefficient	.149**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1968
Christian education	Correlation Coefficient	.184**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1696
The church building fund	Correlation Coefficient	.221**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1879
The mission program of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.248**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1856
The evangelistic projects of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.275**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1826
I provide extra for the 13th Sabbath offering	Correlation Coefficient	.175**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1837
I provide support for the local church school	Correlation Coefficient	.135**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1590
Through wills and trusts	Correlation Coefficient	.100**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1569

*Church members who are more involved in church tend to provide financial support.*

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND “BEING ADVENTIST BORN”

Have you been a Seventh-day Adventist from birth? YES – 1      NO - 2		SID
Through my tithe	Correlation Coefficient	.068**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.002
	N	2009

*Converted church members tend to support the church through their tithes more than the members who are Adventist by birth.*

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND LENGTH OF YEARS AS CONVERTED SDA

If not, then for how long have been a Seventh-day Adventist?		SID
Through my tithe	Correlation Coefficient	.171**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1138
Sabbath School offerings	Correlation Coefficient	.189**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1118
Christian education	Correlation Coefficient	.105**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001
	N	980
The church building fund	Correlation Coefficient	.239**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1080
The mission program of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.181**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1048
The evangelistic projects of the church	Correlation Coefficient	.214**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1043
I provide extra for the 13th Sabbath offering	Correlation Coefficient	.175**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1045
I provide support for the local church school	Correlation Coefficient	.120**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	913

***Church members who had been converted for a longer period of time tend to provide financial support to the church.***

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TITHE SUPPORT AND POSITIVE EXPERIENCES WITH CHURCH

Through my tithe		SID
	Correlation Coefficient	.106**
Programs at my church are interesting	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1995
	Correlation Coefficient	.082**
Programs at my church make me think	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1878
	Correlation Coefficient	.187**
My Sabbath School teachers or leaders know me well	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1959
	Correlation Coefficient	.230**
My pastor knows me well	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1953
	Correlation Coefficient	.101**
The leaders in the church are warm and friendly	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1953
	Correlation Coefficient	.122**
I can be myself at church	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1872
	Correlation Coefficient	.090**
The leaders in our church care about me	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1944
	Correlation Coefficient	.135**
I look forward to going to programs at my church	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1947
	Correlation Coefficient	.113**
I go to programs at church because I want to	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1916
	Correlation Coefficient	.087**
My church is helping me grow closer to Christ	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1965
	Correlation Coefficient	.188**
I attend small group meetings organized by the church	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1955
	Correlation Coefficient	.112**
I feel uncomfortable/guilty when I do not attend church most weekends	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1971
	Correlation Coefficient	.073**
I feel proud of my church and its role and reputation in my community	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001
	N	1986

***Members who have positive experiences with church tend to support the church through their tithes.***

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PASTOR

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
<b>A good preacher</b>	2006	1.00	5.00	4.3215	1.05547
<b>Shows true spiritual leadership in our church community</b>	1993	1.00	5.00	4.2534	1.06209
<b>Enthusiastic about ministry</b>	1910	1.00	5.00	4.2372	1.10562
<b>Inspiring</b>	1921	1.00	5.00	4.1530	1.13812
<b>Helpful in times of need</b>	1954	1.00	5.00	4.1213	1.14809
Sensitive to the needs of others	1949	1.00	5.00	3.8871	1.23998
Occasionally visits members of the church in their home	1970	1.00	5.00	3.4132	1.44260
Thorough in pastoral duties	1955	1.00	5.00	2.0844	1.64087
Receptive of new ideas	1946	1.00	5.00	2.0355	1.57202
Valid N (listwise)	1618				

### Enthusiastic about ministry

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
not at all	83	3.3	4.3	4.3
2.00	88	3.5	4.6	9.0
Valid 3.00	232	9.3	12.1	21.1
4.00	397	15.9	20.8	41.9
very much	1110	44.4	58.1	100.0
Total	1910	76.5	100.0	
Missing System	588	23.5		
Total	2498	100.0		

### Helpful in times of need

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
not at all	95	3.8	4.9	4.9
2.00	116	4.6	5.9	10.8
Valid 3.00	265	10.6	13.6	24.4
4.00	459	18.4	23.5	47.9
very much	1019	40.8	52.1	100.0
Total	1954	78.2	100.0	
Missing System	544	21.8		
Total	2498	100.0		

### Inspiring

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
not at all	90	3.6	4.7	4.7
2.00	109	4.4	5.7	10.4
Valid 3.00	252	10.1	13.1	23.5
4.00	436	17.5	22.7	46.2
very much	1034	41.4	53.8	100.0
Total	1921	76.9	100.0	
Missing System	577	23.1		
Total	2498	100.0		

**Occasionally visits members of the church in their home**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	313	12.5	15.9
	2.00	234	9.4	27.8
Valid	3.00	386	15.5	47.4
	4.00	400	16.0	67.7
	very much	637	25.5	100.0
	Total	1970	78.9	100.0
Missing	System	528	21.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Sensitive to the needs of others**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	128	5.1	6.6
	2.00	175	7.0	15.5
Valid	3.00	327	13.1	32.3
	4.00	478	19.1	56.8
	very much	841	33.7	100.0
	Total	1949	78.0	100.0
Missing	System	549	22.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

**A good preacher**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	78	3.1	3.9
	2.00	73	2.9	7.5
Valid	3.00	211	8.4	18.0
	4.00	408	16.3	38.4
	very much	1236	49.5	100.0
	Total	2006	80.3	100.0
Missing	System	492	19.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Shows true spiritual leadership in our church community**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	66	2.6	3.3
	2.00	90	3.6	7.8
Valid	3.00	269	10.8	21.3
	4.00	416	16.7	42.2
	very much	1152	46.1	100.0
	Total	1993	79.8	100.0
Missing	System	505	20.2	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Receptive of new ideas**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	1309	52.4	67.3
	2.00	33	1.3	69.0
Valid	3.00	117	4.7	75.0
	4.00	200	8.0	85.3
	very much	287	11.5	100.0
	Total	1946	77.9	100.0
Missing	System	552	22.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Thorough in pastoral duties**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	not at all	1321	52.9	67.6
	2.00	28	1.1	69.0
Valid	3.00	80	3.2	73.1
	4.00	172	6.9	81.9
	very much	354	14.2	100.0
	Total	1955	78.3	100.0
Missing	System	543	21.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES ATTENDANCE AND CHARACTERISTICS OF PASTOR

How often do you attend worship services at your church?	SID
Occasionally visits members of the church in their home	Correlation Coefficient N
Receptive of new ideas	Correlation Coefficient N
Thorough in pastoral duties	Correlation Coefficient N

***Members of churches led by pastors who occasionally visits members of the church in their home, are receptive of new ideas, and are thorough in pastoral duties tend to attend worship services more regularly.***

## LOCAL CHURCH LEADERSHIP

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
is supportive of involving young people in worship services	2078	1.00	5.00	3.7368	1.20043
clearly communicates the mission of the Church	2121	1.00	5.00	3.7072	1.13628
is active in assisting our local church	2099	1.00	5.00	3.5936	1.15944
is easy to talk with	2102	1.00	5.00	3.5747	1.20284
is doing enough to engage members in mission	2096	1.00	5.00	3.5167	1.19454
is creative	2024	1.00	5.00	3.4180	1.18992
is supportive of our local or conference school	1531	1.00	5.00	3.4128	1.28315
is open to new ideas	2032	1.00	5.00	3.3848	1.16849
is responsive to local community needs	2001	1.00	5.00	3.3098	1.22022
is out of touch with our local church needs	1791	1.00	5.00	2.7795	1.43225
Valid N (listwise)	1000				

### is open to new ideas

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no opinion	153	6.1	7.0	7.0
never true	95	3.8	4.3	11.4
rarely true	389	15.6	17.8	29.2
true	659	26.4	30.2	59.3
often true	417	16.7	19.1	78.4
always true	472	18.9	21.6	100.0
Total	2185	87.5	100.0	
Missing System	313	12.5		
Total	2498	100.0		

### clearly communicates the mission of the Church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no opinion	69	2.8	3.2	3.2
never true	59	2.4	2.7	5.8
rarely true	249	10.0	11.4	17.2
true	669	26.8	30.5	47.8
often true	421	16.9	19.2	67.0
always true	723	28.9	33.0	100.0
Total	2190	87.7	100.0	
Missing System	308	12.3		
Total	2498	100.0		

**is doing enough to engage members in mission**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no opinion	82	3.3	3.8
	never true	104	4.2	8.5
	rarely true	333	13.3	23.8
	true	623	24.9	52.4
	often true	448	17.9	73.0
	always true	588	23.5	100.0
	Total	2178	87.2	100.0
Missing	System	320	12.8	
Total	2498	100.0		

**is easy to talk with**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no opinion	63	2.5	2.9
	never true	107	4.3	7.9
	rarely true	297	11.9	21.6
	true	624	25.0	50.4
	often true	429	17.2	70.2
	always true	645	25.8	100.0
	Total	2165	86.7	100.0
Missing	System	333	13.3	
Total	2498	100.0		

**is active in assisting our local church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no opinion	66	2.6	3.0
	never true	81	3.2	6.8
	rarely true	287	11.5	20.0
	true	663	26.5	50.7
	often true	441	17.7	71.0
	always true	627	25.1	100.0
	Total	2165	86.7	100.0
Missing	System	333	13.3	
Total	2498	100.0		

**is responsive to local community needs**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no opinion	116	4.6	5.5
	never true	128	5.1	11.5
	rarely true	438	17.5	32.2
	true	574	23.0	59.3
	often true	408	16.3	78.6
	always true	453	18.1	100.0
	Total	2117	84.7	100.0
Missing	System	381	15.3	
Total	2498	100.0		

**is out of touch with our local church needs**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	no opinion	266	10.6	12.9
	never true	474	19.0	23.0
	rarely true	350	14.0	17.0
Valid	true	369	14.8	70.9
	often true	293	11.7	85.2
	always true	305	12.2	100.0
	Total	2057	82.3	100.0
Missing	System	441	17.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**is supportive of involving young people in worship services**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	no opinion	66	2.6	3.1
	never true	94	3.8	4.4
	rarely true	238	9.5	11.1
Valid	true	564	22.6	26.3
	often true	407	16.3	19.0
	always true	775	31.0	36.1
	Total	2144	85.8	100.0
Missing	System	354	14.2	
Total		2498	100.0	

**is creative**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	no opinion	104	4.2	4.9
	never true	107	4.3	5.0
	rarely true	359	14.4	16.9
Valid	true	645	25.8	30.3
	often true	407	16.3	19.1
	always true	506	20.3	23.8
	Total	2128	85.2	100.0
Missing	System	370	14.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**is supportive of our local or conference school**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	no opinion	485	19.4	24.1
	never true	131	5.2	6.5
	rarely true	251	10.0	12.5
Valid	true	434	17.4	21.5
	often true	285	11.4	14.1
	always true	430	17.2	21.3
	Total	2016	80.7	100.0
Missing	System	482	19.3	
Total		2498	100.0	

## REASONS FOR ATTENDING THE CONGREGATION

**At least 25% of the respondents identified *the music program (28%), doctrines of the church (56%)* and *worship style (37%)* as reasons for attending their congregation.**

### My friends are there

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	MY FRIENDS ARE THERE	360	14.4	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2138	85.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

### Adult education program

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM	263	10.5	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2235	89.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

### The music program

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE MUSIC PROGRAM	699	28.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1799	72.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

### The worship style

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE WORSHIP STYLE	916	36.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1582	63.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

### The doctrines of the church

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE DOCTRINES OF THE CHURCH	1406	56.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1092	43.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

### The minister

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE MINISTER	230	9.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2268	90.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Proximity to where I live**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	PROXIMITY TO WHERE I LIVE	256	10.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2242	89.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The church's reputation**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE CHURCH'S REPUTATION	407	16.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2091	83.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Child and Youth program**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAM	586	23.5	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1912	76.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The community outreach**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH	335	13.4	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2163	86.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The self-help groups**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE SELF-HELP GROUPS	149	6.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2349	94.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The denominational ties**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE DENOMINATIONAL TIES	225	9.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2273	91.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**An evangelism program**

			Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	AN PROGRAM	EVANGELISM	723	28.9	100.0	100.0
Missing	System		1775	71.1		
Total			2498	100.0		

**Other**

			Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	OTHER		391	15.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	System		2107	84.3		
Total			2498	100.0		

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN REASONS FOR CHURCH CONGREGATION ATTENDANCE AND AGE

			How old are you?
The music program	Correlation Coefficient		-.053**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.009
	N		2399
Proximity to where I live	Correlation Coefficient		.050*
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.015
	N		2399
Child and Youth program	Correlation Coefficient		-.149**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N		2399
The denominational ties	Correlation Coefficient		.109**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N		2399

*Younger church members were originally attracted to their church congregation because of the music program and the child and youth program while the older church members were attracted by the proximity of the church to where they live and by the denominational ties.*

### REASONS FOR REMAINING PART OF THE CONGREGATION

**At least 25% of the respondents identified *the music program (25%), evangelism program (29%), doctrines of the church (61%) and worship style (41%)* as reasons for remaining part of their congregation.**

**My friends are there**

			Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	MY FRIENDS ARE THERE		293	11.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	System		2205	88.3		
Total			2498	100.0		

**Adult education program**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM	281	11.2	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2217	88.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The music program**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE MUSIC PROGRAM	621	24.9	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1877	75.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The worship style**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE WORSHIP STYLE	1017	40.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1481	59.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The doctrines of the church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE DOCTRINES OF THE CHURCH	1525	61.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	973	39.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The minister**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE MINISTER	225	9.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2273	91.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Proximity to where I live**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	PROXIMITY TO WHERE I LIVE	225	9.0	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2273	91.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The church's reputation**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE CHURCH'S REPUTATION	476	19.1	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2022	80.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Child and Youth program**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAM	539	21.6	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1959	78.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The community outreach**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH	336	13.5	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2162	86.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The self-help groups**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE SELF-HELP GROUPS	183	7.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2315	92.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The denominational ties**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	THE DENOMINATIONAL TIES	283	11.3	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2215	88.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**An evangelism program**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	AN EVANGELISM PROGRAM	718	28.7	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	1780	71.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

		Other			
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	OTHER	303	12.1	100.0	100.0
Missing	System	2195	87.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN REASONS FOR REMAINING PART OF THE CONGREGATION AND AGE

		How old are you?	
The music program	Correlation Coefficient	-.077**	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	2399	
The church's reputation	Correlation Coefficient	.046*	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.023	
	N	2399	
Child and Youth program	Correlation Coefficient	-.146**	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	2399	
The community outreach	Correlation Coefficient	.048*	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.019	
	N	2399	
The denominational ties	Correlation Coefficient	.106**	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	2399	

***Younger church members remain part of the congregation they attend because of the music program and church and youth program while older church members remain because of the church reputation, the community outreach, and the denominational ties.***

## IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL TRAITS OF PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
<b>Biblical preaching and teaching</b>	2101	1.00	5.00	4.5445	.81856
<b>Emphasis on spiritual development and growth</b>	2111	1.00	5.00	4.4666	.83109
<b>Gives whole self to the church</b>	2122	1.00	5.00	4.3926	.95490
<b>Advises people what to do</b>	2082	1.00	5.00	4.3367	.93595
<b>Expertise in biblical and theological matters</b>	2092	1.00	5.00	4.3207	.96960
Works hard to accomplish tasks	2031	1.00	5.00	4.2915	.99591
Comforting and reassuring	2033	1.00	5.00	4.2597	.96056
Maintains a balanced life	2056	1.00	5.00	4.2150	1.00727
Preaching and teaching on contemporary issues	1999	1.00	5.00	4.1151	1.04348
Strong and decisive decision-maker	2034	1.00	5.00	4.1131	1.08425
Encourages lay decision-making	2024	1.00	5.00	4.1038	1.06632
Helps people figure things out for themselves	2048	1.00	5.00	4.0649	1.08468
New approaches and ideas	2029	1.00	5.00	4.0646	1.04025
Outgoing and socially engaging	2033	1.00	5.00	3.9975	1.14822
Places feelings of others ahead of achieving goals	2002	1.00	5.00	3.9695	1.18485
Reflective and reserved	1990	1.00	5.00	3.8628	1.17489
Does things as they have always been done	2020	1.00	5.00	3.7856	1.21167
Thought-provoking and challenging	1961	1.00	5.00	3.7613	1.28657
Formal interpersonal style	1960	1.00	5.00	3.6990	1.22972
Relaxed interpersonal style	1961	1.00	5.00	3.5135	1.35562
Valid N (listwise)	1379				

### Expertise in biblical and theological matters

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid not important	51	2.0	2.4	2.4
Valid slightly important	74	3.0	3.5	6.0
Valid fairly important	227	9.1	10.9	16.8
Valid quite important	541	21.7	25.9	42.7
Valid very important	1199	48.0	57.3	100.0
Total	2092	83.7	100.0	
Missing System	406	16.3		
Total	2498	100.0		

**Emphasis on spiritual development and growth**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	21	.8	1.0	1.0
	slightly important	51	2.0	2.4	3.4
	fairly important	187	7.5	8.9	12.3
	quite important	515	20.6	24.4	36.7
	very important	1337	53.5	63.3	100.0
	Total	2111	84.5	100.0	
Missing	System	387	15.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Thought-provoking and challenging**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	198	7.9	10.1	10.1
	slightly important	118	4.7	6.0	16.1
	fairly important	370	14.8	18.9	35.0
	quite important	543	21.7	27.7	62.7
	very important	732	29.3	37.3	100.0
	Total	1961	78.5	100.0	
Missing	System	537	21.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Comforting and reassuring**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	39	1.6	1.9	1.9
	slightly important	85	3.4	4.2	6.1
	fairly important	253	10.1	12.4	18.5
	quite important	588	23.5	28.9	47.5
	very important	1068	42.8	52.5	100.0
	Total	2033	81.4	100.0	
Missing	System	465	18.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Biblical preaching and teaching**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	28	1.1	1.3	1.3
	slightly important	41	1.6	2.0	3.3
	fairly important	152	6.1	7.2	10.5
	quite important	418	16.7	19.9	30.4
	very important	1462	58.5	69.6	100.0
	Total	2101	84.1	100.0	
Missing	System	397	15.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Preaching and teaching on contemporary issues**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	not important	67	2.7	3.4	3.4
	slightly important	85	3.4	4.3	7.6
	fairly important	329	13.2	16.5	24.1
	quite important	588	23.5	29.4	53.5
	very important	930	37.2	46.5	100.0
	Total	1999	80.0	100.0	
Missing	System	499	20.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**New approaches and ideas**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	not important	50	2.0	2.5	2.5
	slightly important	127	5.1	6.3	8.7
	fairly important	355	14.2	17.5	26.2
	quite important	607	24.3	29.9	56.1
	very important	890	35.6	43.9	100.0
	Total	2029	81.2	100.0	
Missing	System	469	18.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Does things as they have always been done**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	not important	135	5.4	6.7	6.7
	slightly important	175	7.0	8.7	15.3
	fairly important	410	16.4	20.3	35.6
	quite important	568	22.7	28.1	63.8
	very important	732	29.3	36.2	100.0
	Total	2020	80.9	100.0	
Missing	System	478	19.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Strong and decisive decision-maker**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	not important	87	3.5	4.3	4.3
	slightly important	93	3.7	4.6	8.8
	fairly important	292	11.7	14.4	23.2
	quite important	593	23.7	29.2	52.4
	very important	969	38.8	47.6	100.0
	Total	2034	81.4	100.0	
Missing	System	464	18.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Encourages lay decision-making**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	62	2.5	3.1	3.1
	slightly important	128	5.1	6.3	9.4
	fairly important	300	12.0	14.8	24.2
	quite important	582	23.3	28.8	53.0
	very important	952	38.1	47.0	100.0
Total		2024	81.0	100.0	
Missing	System	474	19.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Relaxed interpersonal style**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	247	9.9	12.6	12.6
	slightly important	207	8.3	10.6	23.2
	fairly important	407	16.3	20.8	43.9
	quite important	492	19.7	25.1	69.0
	very important	608	24.3	31.0	100.0
Total		1961	78.5	100.0	
Missing	System	537	21.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Formal interpersonal style**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	139	5.6	7.1	7.1
	slightly important	202	8.1	10.3	17.4
	fairly important	425	17.0	21.7	39.1
	quite important	538	21.5	27.4	66.5
	very important	656	26.3	33.5	100.0
Total		1960	78.5	100.0	
Missing	System	538	21.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Works hard to accomplish tasks**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	56	2.2	2.8	2.8
	slightly important	77	3.1	3.8	6.5
	fairly important	230	9.2	11.3	17.9
	quite important	524	21.0	25.8	43.7
	very important	1144	45.8	56.3	100.0
Total		2031	81.3	100.0	
Missing	System	467	18.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Places feelings of others ahead of achieving goals**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	123	4.9	6.1	6.1
	slightly important	123	4.9	6.1	12.3
	fairly important	329	13.2	16.4	28.7
	quite important	544	21.8	27.2	55.9
	very important	883	35.3	44.1	100.0
	Total	2002	80.1	100.0	
Missing	System	496	19.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Helps people figure things out for themselves**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	78	3.1	3.8	3.8
	slightly important	122	4.9	6.0	9.8
	fairly important	308	12.3	15.0	24.8
	quite important	621	24.9	30.3	55.1
	very important	919	36.8	44.9	100.0
	Total	2048	82.0	100.0	
Missing	System	450	18.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Advises people what to do**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	41	1.6	2.0	2.0
	slightly important	60	2.4	2.9	4.9
	fairly important	253	10.1	12.2	17.0
	quite important	531	21.3	25.5	42.5
	very important	1197	47.9	57.5	100.0
	Total	2082	83.3	100.0	
Missing	System	416	16.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Reflective and reserved**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	116	4.6	5.8	5.8
	slightly important	151	6.0	7.6	13.4
	fairly important	379	15.2	19.0	32.5
	quite important	588	23.5	29.5	62.0
	very important	756	30.3	38.0	100.0
	Total	1990	79.7	100.0	
Missing	System	508	20.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Outgoing and socially engaging**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	106	4.2	5.2	5.2
	slightly important	119	4.8	5.9	11.1
	fairly important	349	14.0	17.2	28.2
	quite important	559	22.4	27.5	55.7
	very important	900	36.0	44.3	100.0
	Total	2033	81.4	100.0	
Missing	System	465	18.6		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**Maintains a balanced life**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	51	2.0	2.5	2.5
	slightly important	99	4.0	4.8	7.3
	fairly important	266	10.6	12.9	20.2
	quite important	581	23.3	28.3	48.5
	very important	1059	42.4	51.5	100.0
	Total	2056	82.3	100.0	
Missing	System	442	17.7		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**Gives whole self to the church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not important	43	1.7	2.0	2.0
	slightly important	85	3.4	4.0	6.0
	fairly important	201	8.0	9.5	15.5
	quite important	460	18.4	21.7	37.2
	very important	1333	53.4	62.8	100.0
	Total	2122	84.9	100.0	
Missing	System	376	15.1		
	Total	2498	100.0		

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PERCEIVED IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL TRAITS OF PASTORAL LEADERSHIP AND AGE

		How old are you?
Expertise in biblical and theological matters	Correlation Coefficient	.063**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.005
	N	2017
Thought-provoking and challenging	Correlation Coefficient	.084**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1881
Comforting and reassuring	Correlation Coefficient	.055*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.016
	N	1951
Strong and decisive decision-maker	Correlation Coefficient	.076**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001
	N	1951
Encourages lay decision-making	Correlation Coefficient	.059**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.010
	N	1941
Relaxed interpersonal style	Correlation Coefficient	.110**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1879
Works hard to accomplish tasks	Correlation Coefficient	.055*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.015
	N	1953

*The above traits are considered important by the older members of the church.*

**Overall, to what extent do you think the congregation needs to increase or improve its efforts in outreach?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	We're doing too much now	68	2.7	3.1	3.1
	We are doing fine as is	248	9.9	11.4	14.6
	Should increase or improve to some extent	708	28.3	32.7	47.2
	Should increase or improve to a great extent	1144	45.8	52.8	100.0
	Total	2168	86.8	100.0	
Missing	System	330	13.2		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**Overall, to what extent do you think the congregation needs to increase or improve its efforts in caring and nurture?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	We're doing too much now	70	2.8	3.2	3.2
	We are doing fine as is	253	10.1	11.7	14.9
	Should increase or improve to some extent	740	29.6	34.2	49.1
	Should increase or improve to a great extent	1102	44.1	50.9	100.0
	Total	2165	86.7	100.0	
Missing	System	333	13.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PERCEPTIONS ON THE NEED FOR CARING AND NURTURE AND AGE**

How old are you?		SID
Overall, to what extent do you think the congregation needs to increase or improve its efforts in caring and nurture?	Correlation	.070**
	Coefficient	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001
	N	2079

*The older church members see the need for their congregation to increase or improve its efforts in caring and nurture more than the younger church members.*

**Descriptive Statistics**

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
To what extent would you personally be willing to get more involved in outreach by your congregation?	2242	1.00	4.00	3.4509	.79183
Without the support of the worship service in my local church, I feel my faith might gradually fade away.	2202	1.00	4.00	2.3674	1.17906
I use information from the internet (World Wide Web) as a way to grow my faith.	2131	1.00	4.00	1.8649	1.05374
Valid N (listwise)	2025				

**To what extent would you personally be willing to get more involved in outreach by your congregation?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not at all	51	2.0	2.3
	to some extent	272	10.9	12.1
	to a moderate extent	534	21.4	23.8
	to a great extent	1385	55.4	61.8
	Total	2242	89.8	100.0
Missing	System	256	10.2	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Without the support of the worship service in my local church, I feel my faith might gradually fade away.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not at all	683	27.3	31.0
	to some extent	618	24.7	28.1
	to a moderate extent	310	12.4	14.1
	to a great extent	591	23.7	26.8
	Total	2202	88.2	100.0
Missing	System	296	11.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**I use information from the internet (World Wide Web) as a way to grow my faith.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	not at all	1086	43.5	51.0
	to some extent	507	20.3	23.8
	to a moderate extent	278	11.1	13.0
	to a great extent	260	10.4	12.2
	Total	2131	85.3	100.0
Missing	System	367	14.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WILLINGNESS TO GET INVOLVED IN OUTREACH AND FREQUENCY/PREFERENCE OF CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

To what extent would you personally be willing to get more involved in outreach by your congregation?		SID
How often do you attend worship services at your church?	Correlation Coefficient	.062**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.004
	N	2165
I would prefer to go to church	Correlation Coefficient	.115**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2196

***Church members who attend or who prefer to attend church more regularly tend to be more willint to get involved in outreach activities.***

## ROLE IN RELIGIOUS LIFE DEVELOPMENT

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
<b>The Sabbath School quarterly</b>	2047	1.00	4.00	3.3664	.88410
<b>Pastor's sermons</b>	2041	1.00	4.00	3.3508	.85372
<b>The church pastor</b>	1928	1.00	4.00	3.0161	.99362
<b>Evangelistic meetings (Public)</b>	1932	1.00	4.00	3.0067	.97321
<b>Family</b>	1897	1.00	4.00	2.9779	.98648
Evangelistic outreach (Giving Bible studies, distributing literature, etc)	1884	1.00	4.00	2.9289	1.03740
The local elders in my church	2008	1.00	4.00	2.9178	.96770
Adventist TV	1498	1.00	4.00	2.8979	1.08594
Church Community outreach	1903	1.00	4.00	2.8255	.98412
Small groups	1845	1.00	4.00	2.8222	1.00694
Friends	1881	1.00	4.00	2.8198	.95703
The youth pastor	1500	1.00	4.00	2.7653	1.06600
Adventist publication (Adventist Review/Adventist World)	1686	1.00	4.00	2.7396	1.06208
Adventist Radio	1323	1.00	4.00	2.7339	1.14803
Adventist publications (Union/Division paper)	1636	1.00	4.00	2.7231	1.04912
Attending an Adventist school	1131	1.00	4.00	2.6879	1.22396
Conference-sponsored events	1608	1.00	4.00	2.6499	1.08158
Short-term mission projects	1618	1.00	4.00	2.5649	1.03486
On-line church publications	1339	1.00	4.00	2.5220	1.10106
Internet sites	1262	1.00	4.00	2.3740	1.07803
Church worship services	2174	1.00	4.00	2.2852	1.19924
Weeks of Prayer at church	2081	1.00	4.00	2.2753	1.12772
Sabbath School	2162	1.00	4.00	2.2613	1.21676
Personal Bible study and prayer	2172	1.00	4.00	2.2426	1.20553
Church retreats	1827	1.00	4.00	2.2255	1.04002
Prayer meetings	2039	1.00	4.00	2.2236	1.10135
Family worship	1969	1.00	4.00	2.1828	1.07451
Valid N (listwise)	341				

**Note:** The responses DOES NOT APPLY TO ME were treated as MISSING in the computation of the means and standard deviations. The scale was recoded as 1 – not at all ... 4 – very much

### Sabbath School

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
does not apply to me	60	2.4	2.7	2.7
not at all	894	35.8	40.2	42.9
sometimes	306	12.2	13.8	56.7
often	465	18.6	20.9	77.6
very much	497	19.9	22.4	100.0
Total	2222	89.0	100.0	
Missing System	276	11.0		
Total	2498	100.0		

**Personal Bible study and prayer**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	39	1.6	1.8
	not at all	906	36.3	41.0
Valid	sometimes	305	12.2	56.5
	often	489	19.6	78.7
	very much	472	18.9	100.0
	Total	2211	88.5	100.0
Missing	System	287	11.5	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Church worship services**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	30	1.2	1.4
	not at all	894	35.8	41.9
Valid	sometimes	213	8.5	51.6
	often	620	24.8	79.7
	very much	447	17.9	100.0
	Total	2204	88.2	100.0
Missing	System	294	11.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Family worship**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	188	7.5	8.7
	not at all	700	28.0	41.2
Valid	sometimes	498	19.9	64.3
	often	482	19.3	86.6
	very much	289	11.6	100.0
	Total	2157	86.3	100.0
Missing	System	341	13.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Prayer meetings**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	112	4.5	5.2
	not at all	723	28.9	33.8
Valid	sometimes	473	18.9	60.8
	often	507	20.3	84.4
	very much	336	13.5	100.0
	Total	2151	86.1	100.0
Missing	System	347	13.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Weeks of Prayer at church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	66	2.6	3.1
	not at all	729	29.2	37.0
Valid	Sometimes	436	17.5	57.3
	Often	530	21.2	82.0
	very much	386	15.5	100.0
	Total	2147	85.9	100.0
Missing	System	351	14.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Church retreats**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	274	11.0	13.0
	not at all	565	22.6	39.9
Valid	Sometimes	548	21.9	66.0
	Often	451	18.1	87.5
	very much	263	10.5	100.0
	Total	2101	84.1	100.0
Missing	System	397	15.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Church Community outreach**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	191	7.6	9.1
	not at all	175	7.0	17.5
Valid	Sometimes	591	23.7	45.7
	Often	528	21.1	70.9
	very much	609	24.4	100.0
	Total	2094	83.8	100.0
Missing	System	404	16.2	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Short-term mission projects**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	428	17.1	20.9
	not at all	267	10.7	34.0
Valid	Sometimes	570	22.8	61.8
	Often	381	15.3	80.4
	very much	400	16.0	100.0
	Total	2046	81.9	100.0
Missing	System	452	18.1	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Attending an Adventist school**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	901	36.1	44.3	44.3
	not at all	298	11.9	14.7	59.0
	sometimes	184	7.4	9.1	68.1
	Often	222	8.9	10.9	79.0
	very much	427	17.1	21.0	100.0
	Total	2032	81.3	100.0	
Missing	System	466	18.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Evangelistic outreach (Giving Bible studies, distributing literature, etc)**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	234	9.4	11.0	11.0
	not at all	190	7.6	9.0	20.0
	sometimes	515	20.6	24.3	44.3
	Often	418	16.7	19.7	64.1
	very much	761	30.5	35.9	100.0
	Total	2118	84.8	100.0	
Missing	System	380	15.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Conference-sponsored events**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	480	19.2	23.0	23.0
	not at all	269	10.8	12.9	35.9
	sometimes	513	20.5	24.6	60.4
	Often	338	13.5	16.2	76.6
	very much	488	19.5	23.4	100.0
	Total	2088	83.6	100.0	
Missing	System	410	16.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The church pastor**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	180	7.2	8.5	8.5
	not at all	156	6.2	7.4	15.9
	sometimes	468	18.7	22.2	38.1
	Often	493	19.7	23.4	61.5
	very much	811	32.5	38.5	100.0
	Total	2108	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	390	15.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The youth pastor**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	526	21.1	26.0
	not at all	214	8.6	10.6
	sometimes	427	17.1	21.1
Valid	Often	356	14.3	17.6
	very much	503	20.1	24.8
	Total	2026	81.1	100.0
Missing	System	472	18.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The local elders in my church**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	99	4.0	4.7
	not at all	154	6.2	7.3
	sometimes	567	22.7	26.9
Valid	often	577	23.1	27.4
	very much	710	28.4	33.7
	Total	2107	84.3	100.0
Missing	System	391	15.7	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The Sabbath School quarterly**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	81	3.2	3.8
	not at all	90	3.6	4.2
	sometimes	292	11.7	13.7
Valid	often	443	17.7	20.8
	very much	1222	48.9	57.4
	Total	2128	85.2	100.0
Missing	System	370	14.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Evangelistic meetings (Public)**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	does not apply to me	170	6.8	8.1
	not at all	141	5.6	6.7
	sometimes	485	19.4	23.1
Valid	often	526	21.1	25.0
	very much	780	31.2	37.1
	Total	2102	84.1	100.0
Missing	System	396	15.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Small groups**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	237	9.5	11.4	11.4
	not at all	189	7.6	9.1	20.5
	sometimes	561	22.5	26.9	47.4
	often	484	19.4	23.2	70.7
	very much	611	24.5	29.3	100.0
	Total	2082	83.3	100.0	
Missing	System	416	16.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist publications (Union/Division paper)**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	410	16.4	20.0	20.0
	not at all	219	8.8	10.7	30.7
	sometimes	532	21.3	26.0	56.7
	often	368	14.7	18.0	74.7
	very much	517	20.7	25.3	100.0
	Total	2046	81.9	100.0	
Missing	System	452	18.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist publication (Adventist Review/Adventist World)**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	368	14.7	17.9	17.9
	not at all	228	9.1	11.1	29.0
	sometimes	543	21.7	26.4	55.5
	often	355	14.2	17.3	72.7
	very much	560	22.4	27.3	100.0
	Total	2054	82.2	100.0	
Missing	System	444	17.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**On-line church publications**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	676	27.1	33.5	33.5
	not at all	288	11.5	14.3	47.8
	sometimes	420	16.8	20.8	68.7
	often	275	11.0	13.6	82.3
	very much	356	14.3	17.7	100.0
	Total	2015	80.7	100.0	
Missing	System	483	19.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Family**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	199	8.0	9.5	9.5
	not at all	163	6.5	7.8	17.3
	sometimes	455	18.2	21.7	39.0
	often	540	21.6	25.8	64.7
	very much	739	29.6	35.3	100.0
	Total	2096	83.9	100.0	
Missing	System	402	16.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Friends**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	192	7.7	9.3	9.3
	not at all	151	6.0	7.3	16.5
	sometimes	608	24.3	29.3	45.9
	often	551	22.1	26.6	72.5
	very much	571	22.9	27.5	100.0
	Total	2073	83.0	100.0	
Missing	System	425	17.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Internet sites**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	743	29.7	37.1	37.1
	not at all	313	12.5	15.6	52.7
	sometimes	436	17.5	21.7	74.4
	often	241	9.6	12.0	86.4
	very much	272	10.9	13.6	100.0
	Total	2005	80.3	100.0	
Missing	System	493	19.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist Radio**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	does not apply to me	717	28.7	35.1	35.1
	not at all	258	10.3	12.6	47.8
	sometimes	320	12.8	15.7	63.5
	often	261	10.4	12.8	76.3
	very much	484	19.4	23.7	100.0
	Total	2040	81.7	100.0	
Missing	System	458	18.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist TV**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	543	21.7	26.6
	not at all	198	7.9	36.3
	sometimes	373	14.9	54.6
	often	311	12.4	69.8
	very much	616	24.7	100.0
	Total	2041	81.7	100.0
Missing	System	457	18.3	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Pastor's sermons**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not apply to me	84	3.4	4.0
	not at all	73	2.9	7.4
	sometimes	292	11.7	21.1
	often	522	20.9	45.7
	very much	1154	46.2	100.0
	Total	2125	85.1	100.0
Missing	System	373	14.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**LOCAL CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS****Descriptive Statistics**

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
<b>I learn a lot</b>	2138	1.00	4.00	3.4514	.82072
<b>It accepts people who are different</b>	2109	1.00	4.00	3.3964	.92010
<b>It provides fellowship</b>	2089	1.00	4.00	3.3566	.87628
<b>It stretches me in worship</b>	2043	1.00	4.00	3.3417	.89331
<b>It expects people to learn and think</b>	2062	1.00	4.00	3.3157	.90539
Strangers feel welcome	2087	1.00	4.00	3.2793	.95542
It is friendly	2115	1.00	4.00	3.2199	.94723
It encourages me to ask questions	2075	1.00	4.00	3.2048	.96365
It feels warm	2077	1.00	4.00	3.1955	.94976
It challenges my thinking	2033	1.00	4.00	2.9990	1.05461
Most members want to be challenged to think about religious issues and ideas	2017	1.00	4.00	2.9474	1.07700
Valid N (listwise)	1585				

**It feels warm**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	38	1.5	1.8	1.8
	not at all true	137	5.5	6.5	8.3
	3.00	362	14.5	17.1	25.4
	4.00	536	21.5	25.3	50.7
	very true	1042	41.7	49.3	100.0
	Total	2115	84.7	100.0	
Missing	System	383	15.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I learn a lot**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	23	.9	1.1	1.1
	not at all true	79	3.2	3.7	4.7
	3.00	218	8.7	10.1	14.8
	4.00	500	20.0	23.1	37.9
	very true	1341	53.7	62.1	100.0
	Total	2161	86.5	100.0	
Missing	System	337	13.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**It accepts people who are different**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	29	1.2	1.4	1.4
	not at all true	143	5.7	6.7	8.0
	3.00	211	8.4	9.9	17.9
	4.00	422	16.9	19.7	37.7
	very true	1333	53.4	62.3	100.0
	Total	2138	85.6	100.0	
Missing	System	360	14.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Most members want to be challenged to think about religious issues and ideas**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	52	2.1	2.5	2.5
	not at all true	280	11.2	13.5	16.0
	3.00	385	15.4	18.6	34.7
	4.00	513	20.5	24.8	59.4
	very true	839	33.6	40.6	100.0
	Total	2069	82.8	100.0	
Missing	System	429	17.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**It is friendly**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	30	1.2	1.4	1.4
	not at all true	142	5.7	6.6	8.0
	3.00	341	13.7	15.9	23.9
	4.00	542	21.7	25.3	49.2
	very true	1090	43.6	50.8	100.0
	Total	2145	85.9	100.0	
Missing	System	353	14.1		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**It challenges my thinking**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	47	1.9	2.3	2.3
	not at all true	258	10.3	12.4	14.7
	3.00	357	14.3	17.2	31.8
	4.00	547	21.9	26.3	58.1
	very true	871	34.9	41.9	100.0
	Total	2080	83.3	100.0	
Missing	System	418	16.7		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**It encourages me to ask questions**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	33	1.3	1.6	1.6
	not at all true	155	6.2	7.4	8.9
	3.00	329	13.2	15.6	24.5
	4.00	527	21.1	25.0	49.5
	very true	1064	42.6	50.5	100.0
	Total	2108	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	390	15.6		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**Strangers feel welcome**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	32	1.3	1.5	1.5
	not at all true	156	6.2	7.4	8.9
	3.00	274	11.0	12.9	21.8
	4.00	488	19.5	23.0	44.8
	very true	1169	46.8	55.2	100.0
	Total	2119	84.8	100.0	
Missing	System	379	15.2		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**It expects people to learn and think**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	22	.9	1.1	1.1
	not at all true	116	4.6	5.6	6.6
	3.00	274	11.0	13.1	19.8
	4.00	515	20.6	24.7	44.5
	very true	1157	46.3	55.5	100.0
	Total	2084	83.4	100.0	
Missing	System	414	16.6		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**It stretches me in worship**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	35	1.4	1.7	1.7
	not at all true	104	4.2	5.0	6.7
	3.00	273	10.9	13.1	19.8
	4.00	487	19.5	23.4	43.3
	very true	1179	47.2	56.7	100.0
	Total	2078	83.2	100.0	
Missing	System	420	16.8		
	Total	2498	100.0		

**It provides fellowship**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I do not attend church	43	1.7	2.0	2.0
	not at all true	102	4.1	4.8	6.8
	3.00	256	10.2	12.0	18.8
	4.00	526	21.1	24.7	43.5
	very true	1205	48.2	56.5	100.0
	Total	2132	85.3	100.0	
Missing	System	366	14.7		
	Total	2498	100.0		

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF WORSHIP SERVICES ATTENDANCE AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LOCAL CHURCH

How often do you attend worship services at your church?		SID
It feels warm	Correlation Coefficient	.076**
	N	2044
I learn a lot	Correlation Coefficient	.056*
	N	2087
It accepts people who are different	Correlation Coefficient	.060**
	N	2064
Most members want to be challenged to think about religious issues and ideas	Correlation Coefficient	.074**
	N	1997
It is friendly	Correlation Coefficient	.064**
	N	2073
It challenges my thinking	Correlation Coefficient	.051*
	N	2014
Strangers feel welcome	Correlation Coefficient	.051*
	N	2052
It provides fellowship	Correlation Coefficient	.092**
	N	2061

*Members of churches with positive characteristics tend to attend worship services more regularly.*

## SELF-EVALUATION

Which of the following best describes your commitment to Jesus Christ?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
I am committed to Christ	20	.8	.9	.9
I am not sure if I am committed to Christ	69	2.8	3.3	4.2
I committed my life to Christ at a specific moment in my life, but it didn't last	742	29.7	35.2	39.4
My commitment to Christ has developed gradually over a period of time	562	22.5	26.7	66.1
My commitment to Christ came suddenly and I was changed	394	15.8	18.7	84.8
I've been committed to Christ since I was a young child and continue to be committed to Him now	321	12.9	15.2	100.0
Total	2108	84.4	100.0	
Missing System	390	15.6		
Total	2498	100.0		

## Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
I am spiritually moved by the beauty of God's creation	2189	1.00	5.00	4.6921	.73763
I have a real sense that God is guiding me	2184	1.00	5.00	4.6909	.69564
I feel my life is filled with meaning and purpose	2111	1.00	5.00	4.4420	.87586
I seek out opportunities to help me grow spiritually	2165	1.00	5.00	4.4337	.89457
I feel God's presence in my relationships with other people	2180	1.00	5.00	4.3991	.89637
I talk with other people about my faith	2168	1.00	5.00	4.3081	1.00212
The things I do reflect a commitment to Jesus Christ	2129	1.00	5.00	4.2489	.99010
I feel a deep sense of responsibility for reducing pain and suffering in the world	2117	1.00	5.00	4.1951	1.09312
I help others with their religious questions and struggles	2181	1.00	5.00	4.0408	1.15722
I give significant portions of time and money to help other people	2128	1.00	5.00	3.7284	1.24162
I show that I care a great deal about reducing poverty in my country and throughout the world	2094	1.00	5.00	3.7230	1.34661
I apply my faith to political and social issues	2082	1.00	5.00	3.0826	1.60336
Valid N (listwise)	1785				

## I help others with their religious questions and struggles

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	116	4.6	5.3	5.3
2.00	103	4.1	4.7	10.0
Valid 3.00	412	16.5	18.9	28.9
4.00	495	19.8	22.7	51.6
often	1055	42.2	48.4	100.0
Total	2181	87.3	100.0	
Missing System	317	12.7		
Total	2498	100.0		

## I seek out opportunities to help me grow spiritually

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	40	1.6	1.8	1.8
2.00	53	2.1	2.4	4.3
Valid 3.00	201	8.0	9.3	13.6
4.00	505	20.2	23.3	36.9
often	1366	54.7	63.1	100.0
Total	2165	86.7	100.0	
Missing System	333	13.3		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I feel a deep sense of responsibility for reducing pain and suffering in the world**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	89	3.6	4.2	4.2
2.00	90	3.6	4.3	8.5
Valid 3.00	294	11.8	13.9	22.3
4.00	490	19.6	23.1	45.5
often	1154	46.2	54.5	100.0
Total	2117	84.7	100.0	
Missing System	381	15.3		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I give significant portions of time and money to help other people**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	157	6.3	7.4	7.4
2.00	189	7.6	8.9	16.3
Valid 3.00	498	19.9	23.4	39.7
4.00	515	20.6	24.2	63.9
often	769	30.8	36.1	100.0
Total	2128	85.2	100.0	
Missing System	370	14.8		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I feel God's presence in my relationships with other people**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	32	1.3	1.5	1.5
2.00	57	2.3	2.6	4.1
Valid 3.00	251	10.0	11.5	15.6
4.00	509	20.4	23.3	38.9
often	1331	53.3	61.1	100.0
Total	2180	87.3	100.0	
Missing System	318	12.7		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I feel my life is filled with meaning and purpose**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	35	1.4	1.7	1.7
2.00	51	2.0	2.4	4.1
Valid 3.00	186	7.4	8.8	12.9
4.00	513	20.5	24.3	37.2
often	1326	53.1	62.8	100.0
Total	2111	84.5	100.0	
Missing System	387	15.5		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I show that I care a great deal about reducing poverty in my country and throughout the world**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	213	8.5	10.2	10.2
2.00	202	8.1	9.6	19.8
3.00	384	15.4	18.3	38.2
Valid 4.00	448	17.9	21.4	59.6
often	847	33.9	40.4	100.0
Total	2094	83.8	100.0	
Missing System	404	16.2		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I apply my faith to political and social issues**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	598	23.9	28.7	28.7
2.00	212	8.5	10.2	38.9
3.00	282	11.3	13.5	52.4
Valid 4.00	400	16.0	19.2	71.7
often	590	23.6	28.3	100.0
Total	2082	83.3	100.0	
Missing System	416	16.7		
Total	2498	100.0		

**The things I do reflect a commitment to Jesus Christ**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	54	2.2	2.5	2.5
2.00	82	3.3	3.9	6.4
3.00	274	11.0	12.9	19.3
Valid 4.00	589	23.6	27.7	46.9
often	1130	45.2	53.1	100.0
Total	2129	85.2	100.0	
Missing System	369	14.8		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I talk with other people about my faith**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	62	2.5	2.9	2.9
2.00	75	3.0	3.5	6.3
3.00	260	10.4	12.0	18.3
Valid 4.00	507	20.3	23.4	41.7
often	1264	50.6	58.3	100.0
Total	2168	86.8	100.0	
Missing System	330	13.2		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I have a real sense that God is guiding me**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	22	.9	1.0	1.0
2.00	23	.9	1.1	2.1
3.00	94	3.8	4.3	6.4
Valid 4.00	330	13.2	15.1	21.5
often	1715	68.7	78.5	100.0
Total	2184	87.4	100.0	
Missing System	314	12.6		
Total	2498	100.0		

**I am spiritually moved by the beauty of God's creation**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
never	33	1.3	1.5	1.5
2.00	28	1.1	1.3	2.8
3.00	80	3.2	3.7	6.4
Valid 4.00	298	11.9	13.6	20.1
often	1750	70.1	79.9	100.0
Total	2189	87.6	100.0	
Missing System	309	12.4		
Total	2498	100.0		

## ATTITUDE TOWARD RELIGION

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
<b>My religion is important because it answers many questions about the meaning of life</b>	2185	1.00	5.00	4.6453	.77392
<b>I have often had a strong sense of God's presence</b>	2169	1.00	5.00	4.5888	.77232
<b>I enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism</b>	2205	1.00	5.00	4.5859	.81528
<b>It is important to me to spend time in private thought and prayer</b>	2178	1.00	5.00	4.5202	.90566
<b>Prayer is for peace and happiness</b>	2140	1.00	5.00	4.3907	1.07403
What religion offers me most is comfort in difficult times	2140	1.00	5.00	4.2636	1.11753
I try hard to live according to my religious beliefs	2134	1.00	5.00	4.2596	1.13343
Prayers I say when I am alone are as important to me as those I say in church	2132	1.00	5.00	4.2190	1.22555
I pray mainly to gain relief and protection	2120	1.00	5.00	4.2090	1.21156
My whole approach to life is based on my religion	2055	1.00	6.00	4.1567	1.14046
I would rather join a Bible study group than a church social group	2132	1.00	5.00	3.9123	1.31672
I go to church because it helps me to make friends	2131	1.00	5.00	3.3144	1.54180
Although I am religious, I don't let it affect my daily life	2050	1.00	5.00	2.7688	1.61834
I pray mainly because I have been taught to pray	2101	1.00	5.00	2.6968	1.67700
Although I believe in my religion, many other things are more important to me	2110	1.00	5.00	2.6844	1.55990
It doesn't much matter what I believe so long as I am good	2082	1.00	5.00	2.3958	1.57465
Sometimes I have to disregard my religious beliefs because of what people might think of me	2117	1.00	5.00	2.2985	1.55785
I go to church mainly because I enjoy seeing people I know there	2079	1.00	5.00	1.9745	1.38110
I go to church mostly to spend time with my friends	2051	1.00	5.00	1.9317	1.38113
Valid N (listwise)	1514				

**I enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	43	1.7	2.0	2.0
	I tend to disagree	31	1.2	1.4	3.4
	I'm not sure	114	4.6	5.2	8.5
	I tend to agree	420	16.8	19.0	27.6
	I strongly agree	1597	63.9	72.4	100.0
Total		2205	88.3	100.0	
Missing	System	293	11.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I go to church because it helps me to make friends**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	469	18.8	22.0	22.0
	I tend to disagree	229	9.2	10.7	32.8
	I'm not sure	262	10.5	12.3	45.0
	I tend to agree	505	20.2	23.7	68.7
	I strongly agree	666	26.7	31.3	100.0
Total		2131	85.3	100.0	
Missing	System	367	14.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**It doesn't much matter what I believe so long as I am good**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	1004	40.2	48.2	48.2
	I tend to disagree	218	8.7	10.5	58.7
	I'm not sure	251	10.0	12.1	70.7
	I tend to agree	250	10.0	12.0	82.8
	I strongly agree	359	14.4	17.2	100.0
Total		2082	83.3	100.0	
Missing	System	416	16.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Sometimes I have to disregard my religious beliefs because of what people might think of me**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	I strongly disagree	1108	44.4	52.3	52.3
	I tend to disagree	181	7.2	8.5	60.9
	I'm not sure	242	9.7	11.4	72.3
	I tend to agree	260	10.4	12.3	84.6
	I strongly agree	326	13.1	15.4	100.0
	Total	2117	84.7	100.0	
Missing	System	381	15.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**It is important to me to spend time in private thought and prayer**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	I strongly disagree	62	2.5	2.8	2.8
	I tend to disagree	39	1.6	1.8	4.6
	I'm not sure	132	5.3	6.1	10.7
	I tend to agree	416	16.7	19.1	29.8
	I strongly agree	1529	61.2	70.2	100.0
	Total	2178	87.2	100.0	
Missing	System	320	12.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I have often had a strong sense of God's presence**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	I strongly disagree	29	1.2	1.3	1.3
	I tend to disagree	22	.9	1.0	2.4
	I'm not sure	144	5.8	6.6	9.0
	I tend to agree	422	16.9	19.5	28.4
	I strongly agree	1552	62.1	71.6	100.0
	Total	2169	86.8	100.0	
Missing	System	329	13.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I pray mainly to gain relief and protection**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent	
Valid	I strongly disagree	150	6.0	7.1	7.1
	I tend to disagree	113	4.5	5.3	12.4
	I'm not sure	141	5.6	6.7	19.1
	I tend to agree	456	18.3	21.5	40.6
	I strongly agree	1260	50.4	59.4	100.0
	Total	2120	84.9	100.0	
Missing	System	378	15.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I try hard to live according to my religious beliefs**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	132	5.3	6.2	6.2
	I tend to disagree	62	2.5	2.9	9.1
	I'm not sure	187	7.5	8.8	17.9
	I tend to agree	492	19.7	23.1	40.9
	I strongly agree	1261	50.5	59.1	100.0
Total		2134	85.4	100.0	
Missing	System	364	14.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**What religion offers me most is comfort in difficult times**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	119	4.8	5.6	5.6
	I tend to disagree	78	3.1	3.6	9.2
	I'm not sure	180	7.2	8.4	17.6
	I tend to agree	506	20.3	23.6	41.3
	I strongly agree	1257	50.3	58.7	100.0
Total		2140	85.7	100.0	
Missing	System	358	14.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**My religion is important because it answers many questions about the meaning of life**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	37	1.5	1.7	1.7
	I tend to disagree	26	1.0	1.2	2.9
	I'm not sure	104	4.2	4.8	7.6
	I tend to agree	341	13.7	15.6	23.2
	I strongly agree	1677	67.1	76.8	100.0
Total		2185	87.5	100.0	
Missing	System	313	12.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I would rather join a Bible study group than a church social group**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	203	8.1	9.5	9.5
	I tend to disagree	148	5.9	6.9	16.5
	I'm not sure	287	11.5	13.5	29.9
	I tend to agree	489	19.6	22.9	52.9
	I strongly agree	1005	40.2	47.1	100.0
Total		2132	85.3	100.0	
Missing	System	366	14.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Prayer is for peace and happiness**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	108	4.3	5.0	5.0
	I tend to disagree	68	2.7	3.2	8.2
	I'm not sure	127	5.1	5.9	14.2
	I tend to agree	414	16.6	19.3	33.5
	I strongly agree	1423	57.0	66.5	100.0
	Total	2140	85.7	100.0	
Missing	System	358	14.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Although I am religious, I don't let it affect my daily life**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	762	30.5	37.2	37.2
	I tend to disagree	227	9.1	11.1	48.2
	I'm not sure	246	9.8	12.0	60.2
	I tend to agree	353	14.1	17.2	77.5
	I strongly agree	462	18.5	22.5	100.0
	Total	2050	82.1	100.0	
Missing	System	448	17.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I go to church mostly to spend time with my friends**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	1252	50.1	61.0	61.0
	I tend to disagree	259	10.4	12.6	73.7
	I'm not sure	174	7.0	8.5	82.2
	I tend to agree	160	6.4	7.8	90.0
	I strongly agree	206	8.2	10.0	100.0
	Total	2051	82.1	100.0	
Missing	System	447	17.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**My whole approach to life is based on my religion**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	114	4.6	5.5	5.5
	I tend to disagree	92	3.7	4.5	10.0
	I'm not sure	239	9.6	11.6	21.7
	I tend to agree	524	21.0	25.5	47.2
	I strongly agree	1085	43.4	52.8	100.0
	6.00	1	.0	.0	100.0
Total	2055	82.3	100.0		
Missing	System	443	17.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I go to church mainly because I enjoy seeing people I know there**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	1214	48.6	58.4	58.4
	I tend to disagree	293	11.7	14.1	72.5
	I'm not sure	189	7.6	9.1	81.6
	I tend to agree	177	7.1	8.5	90.1
	I strongly agree	206	8.2	9.9	100.0
	Total	2079	83.2	100.0	
Missing	System	419	16.8		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I pray mainly because I have been taught to pray**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	860	34.4	40.9	40.9
	I tend to disagree	259	10.4	12.3	53.3
	I'm not sure	169	6.8	8.0	61.3
	I tend to agree	284	11.4	13.5	74.8
	I strongly agree	529	21.2	25.2	100.0
	Total	2101	84.1	100.0	
Missing	System	397	15.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Prayers I say when I am alone are as important to me as those I say in church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	166	6.6	7.8	7.8
	I tend to disagree	84	3.4	3.9	11.7
	I'm not sure	170	6.8	8.0	19.7
	I tend to agree	409	16.4	19.2	38.9
	I strongly agree	1303	52.2	61.1	100.0
	Total	2132	85.3	100.0	
Missing	System	366	14.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Although I believe in my religion, many other things are more important to me**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I strongly disagree	761	30.5	36.1	36.1
	I tend to disagree	310	12.4	14.7	50.8
	I'm not sure	284	11.4	13.5	64.2
	I tend to agree	344	13.8	16.3	80.5
	I strongly agree	411	16.5	19.5	100.0
	Total	2110	84.5	100.0	
Missing	System	388	15.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ATTITUDE TOWARD RELIGION AND AGE

Age is 30 years or younger		SID
I enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism	Correlation Coefficient	.082**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2119
Sometimes I have to disregard my religious beliefs because of what people might think of me	Correlation Coefficient	-.041
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.066
	N	2032
I try hard to live according to my religious beliefs	Correlation Coefficient	.052*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.019
	N	2045
I go to church mainly because I enjoy seeing people I know there	Correlation Coefficient	-.056*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.012
	N	1997
Although I believe in my religion, many other things are more important to me	Correlation Coefficient	-.040
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.075
	N	2025

*Older church members enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism and try hard to live according to their religious beliefs. On the other hand, younger church members tend to disregard their religious beliefs because of what people might think of them, go to church mainly because they enjoy seeing people they know there, and consider other things more important than the religion they believe.*

## FREQUENCY OF INVOLVEMENT IN RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Read the Bible	2216	1.00	5.00	4.0465	1.01060
Engage in personal devotions	2103	1.00	5.00	3.6833	1.25393
Read the writings of Ellen G. White	2109	1.00	5.00	2.9066	1.39336
Have family worship (Prayers or religious devotions you have together as a family away from church)	2149	1.00	5.00	3.4360	1.48557
Valid N (listwise)	1978				

### Read the Bible

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	60	2.4	2.7	2.7
	less than once a month	103	4.1	4.6	7.4
	about once a week	413	16.5	18.6	26.0
	more than once a week	738	29.5	33.3	59.3
	daily or more than once a day	902	36.1	40.7	100.0
Total		2216	88.7	100.0	
Missing	System	282	11.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Engage in personal devotions**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	180	7.2	8.6
	less than once a month	196	7.8	9.3
	about once a week	423	16.9	20.1
	more than once a week	615	24.6	29.2
	daily or more than once a day	689	27.6	32.8
	Total	2103	84.2	100.0
Missing	System	395	15.8	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Read the writings of Ellen G. White**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	445	17.8	21.1
	less than once a month	446	17.9	21.1
	about once a week	452	18.1	21.4
	more than once a week	393	15.7	18.6
	daily or more than once a day	373	14.9	17.7
	Total	2109	84.4	100.0
Missing	System	389	15.6	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Have family worship (Prayers or religious devotions you have together as a family away from church)**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	never	373	14.9	17.4
	less than once a month	257	10.3	12.0
	about once a week	309	12.4	14.4
	more than once a week	480	19.2	22.3
	daily or more than once a day	730	29.2	34.0
	Total	2149	86.0	100.0
Missing	System	349	14.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

**RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF INVOLVEMENT IN RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES AND AGE**

Age is 30 years or younger		SID
Read the Bible	Correlation Coefficient	.113**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2129
Engage in personal devotions	Correlation Coefficient	.166**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2020
Read the writings of Ellen G. White	Correlation Coefficient	.102**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2026
Have family worship (Prayers or religious devotions you have together as a family away from church)	Correlation Coefficient	.183**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	2064

***Older church members are more involved in the above religious activities.***

## RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
God loves everyone, and I should be all right in the end if I am a morally good person	2175	1.00	4.00	3.5149	.90670
I believe in a personal God who seeks a relationship with human beings	2150	1.00	4.00	3.6674	.79996
When you get right down to it, there are only two kinds of people in the world: the righteous, who will be rewarded by God, and the rest, who will not	2160	1.00	4.00	3.6856	.74040
Christianity is about Jesus giving power to conquer sin in my life	2136	1.00	4.00	3.5056	.93236
I am saved the moment I believe and accept what Jesus has done for me	2175	1.00	4.00	3.7122	.69953
I believe that Jesus was born of a virgin	2186	1.00	4.00	3.8673	.50875
The Seventh-day Adventist Church is God's true last-day church with a message to prepare the world for the Second Coming of Christ	2191	1.00	4.00	3.8859	.45101
There is no body of teaching, or set of scriptures, which is completely without error or contradiction	2043	1.00	4.00	2.6324	1.26873
Of all the people on earth, one group has a special relationship with God	2126	1.00	4.00	3.2248	1.15413
A relationship with Jesus is important, but I will not get to heaven unless I obey God's law	2163	1.00	4.00	3.5677	.89526
I expect the world as we know it to end within the next 20 years	2082	1.00	4.00	2.0091	1.22618
If I have been baptized, I will make it to heaven if I remain a good person all my life	2144	1.00	4.00	3.4562	.96361
I believe God created the world in exactly six days of 24 hours each in the relatively recent past	2085	1.00	4.00	3.6173	.85081
I believe God created the world	2148	1.00	4.00	3.9074	.44886
If I am to be saved, I need to be baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church	2113	1.00	4.00	3.2556	1.09665
The Adventist church believes in "present truth" which means beliefs might change over time	2057	1.00	4.00	2.4035	1.31015
The true Sabbath is the seventh-day Saturday	2174	1.00	4.00	3.8744	.52666
When a person dies their body remains in the grave and their soul sleeps until the resurrection	2125	1.00	4.00	3.5520	.97557
*I believe witchcraft is real and even Christians can go to the witchdoctors for protection.	2093	1.00	4.00	1.8156	1.22568
*The fact that men of God, such as Abraham, Jacob, David, and Solomon, were polygamists, shows that God approves polygamy.	2098	1.00	4.00	1.5329	1.03819
Valid N (listwise)	1487				

**\*Statements included in the African church survey**

**God loves everyone, and I should be all right in the end if I am a morally good person**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	174	7.0	8.0	8.0
	disagree more than agree	100	4.0	4.6	12.6
	agree more than disagree	333	13.3	15.3	27.9
	strongly agree	1568	62.8	72.1	100.0
	Total	2175	87.1	100.0	
Missing	System	323	12.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I believe in a personal God who seeks a relationship with human beings**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	131	5.2	6.1	6.1
	disagree more than agree	56	2.2	2.6	8.7
	agree more than disagree	210	8.4	9.8	18.5
	strongly agree	1753	70.2	81.5	100.0
	Total	2150	86.1	100.0	
Missing	System	348	13.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**When you get right down to it, there are only two kinds of people in the world: the righteous, who will be rewarded by God, and the rest, who will not**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	92	3.7	4.3	4.3
	disagree more than agree	83	3.3	3.8	8.1
	agree more than disagree	237	9.5	11.0	19.1
	strongly agree	1748	70.0	80.9	100.0
	Total	2160	86.5	100.0	
Missing	System	338	13.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Christianity is about Jesus giving power to conquer sin in my life**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	192	7.7	9.0	9.0
	disagree more than agree	85	3.4	4.0	13.0
	agree more than disagree	310	12.4	14.5	27.5
	strongly agree	1549	62.0	72.5	100.0
	Total	2136	85.5	100.0	
Missing	System	362	14.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I am saved the moment I believe and accept what Jesus has done for me**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	79	3.2	3.6	3.6
	disagree more than agree	72	2.9	3.3	6.9
	agree more than disagree	245	9.8	11.3	18.2
	strongly agree	1779	71.2	81.8	100.0
Total		2175	87.1	100.0	
Missing	System	323	12.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I believe that Jesus was born of a virgin**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	44	1.8	2.0	2.0
	disagree more than agree	25	1.0	1.1	3.2
	agree more than disagree	108	4.3	4.9	8.1
	strongly agree	2009	80.4	91.9	100.0
Total		2186	87.5	100.0	
Missing	System	312	12.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The Seventh-day Adventist Church is God's true last-day church with a message to prepare the world for the Second Coming of Christ**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	29	1.2	1.3	1.3
	disagree more than agree	25	1.0	1.1	2.5
	agree more than disagree	113	4.5	5.2	7.6
	strongly agree	2024	81.0	92.4	100.0
Total		2191	87.7	100.0	
Missing	System	307	12.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**There is no body of teaching, or set of scriptures, which is completely without error or contradiction**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	653	26.1	32.0	32.0
	disagree more than agree	198	7.9	9.7	41.7
	agree more than disagree	439	17.6	21.5	63.1
	strongly agree	753	30.1	36.9	100.0
Total		2043	81.8	100.0	
Missing	System	455	18.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Of all the people on earth, one group has a special relationship with God**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	367	14.7	17.3	17.3
	disagree more than agree	129	5.2	6.1	23.3
	agree more than disagree	289	11.6	13.6	36.9
	strongly agree	1341	53.7	63.1	100.0
	Total	2126	85.1	100.0	
Missing	System	372	14.9		
Total		2498	100.0		

**A relationship with Jesus is important, but I will not get to heaven unless I obey God's law**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	173	6.9	8.0	8.0
	disagree more than agree	82	3.3	3.8	11.8
	agree more than disagree	252	10.1	11.7	23.4
	strongly agree	1656	66.3	76.6	100.0
	Total	2163	86.6	100.0	
Missing	System	335	13.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I expect the world as we know it to end within the next 20 years**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	1124	45.0	54.0	54.0
	disagree more than agree	246	9.8	11.8	65.8
	agree more than disagree	281	11.2	13.5	79.3
	strongly agree	431	17.3	20.7	100.0
	Total	2082	83.3	100.0	
Missing	System	416	16.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**If I have been baptized, I will make it to heaven if I remain a good person all my life**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	197	7.9	9.2	9.2
	disagree more than agree	138	5.5	6.4	15.6
	agree more than disagree	299	12.0	13.9	29.6
	strongly agree	1510	60.4	70.4	100.0
	Total	2144	85.8	100.0	
Missing	System	354	14.2		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I believe God created the world in exactly six days of 24 hours each in the relatively recent past**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	145	5.8	7.0	7.0
	disagree more than agree	73	2.9	3.5	10.5
	agree more than disagree	217	8.7	10.4	20.9
	strongly agree	1650	66.1	79.1	100.0
	Total	2085	83.5	100.0	
Missing	System	413	16.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**I believe God created the world**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	36	1.4	1.7	1.7
	disagree more than agree	18	.7	.8	2.5
	agree more than disagree	55	2.2	2.6	5.1
	strongly agree	2039	81.6	94.9	100.0
	Total	2148	86.0	100.0	
Missing	System	350	14.0		
Total		2498	100.0		

**If I am to be saved, I need to be baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	290	11.6	13.7	13.7
	disagree more than agree	199	8.0	9.4	23.1
	agree more than disagree	305	12.2	14.4	37.6
	strongly agree	1319	52.8	62.4	100.0
	Total	2113	84.6	100.0	
Missing	System	385	15.4		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The Adventist church believes in "present truth" which means beliefs might change over time**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	strongly disagree	847	33.9	41.2	41.2
	disagree more than agree	203	8.1	9.9	51.0
	agree more than disagree	337	13.5	16.4	67.4
	strongly agree	670	26.8	32.6	100.0
	Total	2057	82.3	100.0	
Missing	System	441	17.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The true Sabbath is the seventh-day Saturday**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	strongly disagree	53	2.1	2.4
	disagree more than agree	23	.9	3.5
Valid	agree more than disagree	68	2.7	6.6
	strongly agree	2030	81.3	100.0
	Total	2174	87.0	
Missing	System	324	13.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

**When a person dies their body remains in the grave and their soul sleeps until the resurrection**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	strongly disagree	234	9.4	11.0
	disagree more than agree	46	1.8	13.2
Valid	agree more than disagree	158	6.3	20.6
	strongly agree	1687	67.5	100.0
	Total	2125	85.1	
Missing	System	373	14.9	
Total		2498	100.0	

**Statements included in the African survey**

**I believe witchcraft is real and even Christians can go to the witchdoctors for protection.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	strongly disagree	1381	55.3	66.0
	disagree more than agree	136	5.4	72.5
Valid	agree more than disagree	157	6.3	80.0
	strongly agree	419	16.8	100.0
	Total	2093	83.8	
Missing	System	405	16.2	
Total		2498	100.0	

**The fact that men of God, such as Abraham, Jacob, David, and Solomon, were polygamists, shows that God approves polygamy.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	strongly disagree	1599	64.0	76.2
	disagree more than agree	130	5.2	82.4
Valid	agree more than disagree	119	4.8	88.1
	strongly agree	250	10.0	100.0
	Total	2098	84.0	
Missing	System	400	16.0	
Total		2498	100.0	

### RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND AGE

Age is 30 years or younger	SID
God loves everyone, and I should be all right in the end if I am a morally good person	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.046 <sup>*</sup> 2089
I believe in a personal God who seeks a relationship with human beings	Correlation Coefficient N
	.094 <sup>**</sup> 2063
When you get right down to it, there are only two kinds of people in the world: the righteous, who will be rewarded by God, and the rest, who will not	Correlation Coefficient N
	.100 <sup>**</sup> 2074
Christianity is about Jesus giving power to conquer sin in my life	Correlation Coefficient N
	.180 <sup>**</sup> 2050
I am saved the moment I believe and accept what Jesus has done for me	Correlation Coefficient N
	.053 <sup>*</sup> 2091
I believe that Jesus was born of a virgin	Correlation Coefficient N
	.070 <sup>**</sup> 2099
The Seventh-day Adventist Church is God's true last-day church with a message to prepare the world for the Second Coming of Christ	Correlation Coefficient N
	.093 <sup>**</sup> 2105
I expect the world as we know it to end within the next 20 years	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.074 <sup>**</sup> 2002
If I have been baptized, I will make it to heaven if I remain a good person all my life	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.029 2061
I believe God created the world in exactly six days of 24 hours each in the relatively recent past	Correlation Coefficient N
	.075 <sup>**</sup> 2004
If I am to be saved, I need to be baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church	Correlation Coefficient N
	.044 <sup>*</sup> 2030
The Adventist church believes in "present truth" which means beliefs might change over time	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.058 <sup>**</sup> 1975
The true Sabbath is the seventh-day Saturday	Correlation Coefficient N
	.050 <sup>*</sup> 2091
When a person dies their body remains in the grave and their soul sleeps until the resurrection	Correlation Coefficient N
	.093 <sup>**</sup> 2043
I believe witchcraft is real and even Christians can go to the witchdoctors for protection.	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.067 <sup>**</sup> 2020
The fact that men of God, such as Abraham, Jacob, David, and Solomon, were polygamists, shows that God approves polygamy.	Correlation Coefficient N
	-.080 <sup>**</sup> 2030

***Those with negative correlations are beliefs that are associated with younger church members and those with positive correlations are beliefs that are associated with older church members.***

**Your closest understanding of what the Bible is**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	The Bible contains no more truth or wisdom than do the religious books of other world religions	42	1.7	2.5	2.5
	The Bible is the work of people who collected stories that had been created to explain the mysteries of life. It contains a great deal of wisdom about the human experience	31	1.2	1.9	4.4
	The Bible is the work of people who genuinely loved God and who wanted to share their understanding of God's activity in the world	98	3.9	5.9	10.3
Valid	The Bible is the work of people who were inspired by God and who represented God's message in terms of their own place and time	437	17.5	26.4	36.7
	The Bible is the work of people who copied what God told them word for word, and who wrote without being influenced by their own place and time	196	7.8	11.8	48.5
	The Bible is the work of people who were inspired by God and who, though expressing their message in terms of their own time and place, expressed eternal truths	853	34.1	51.5	100.0
	Total	1657	66.3	100.0	
Missing	System	841	33.7		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Your closest understanding of the writings of Ellen G. White**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I don't know who Ellen G. White is	81	3.2	4.3	4.3
	Ellen G. White's writings contain no more truth or wisdom than do the religious works written by leaders of other denominations	34	1.4	1.8	6.1
	Ellen G. White was a person who created stories of supernatural guidance in order to explain the mysteries of life. Her writings contain a great deal of wisdom about the human experience	120	4.8	6.3	12.4
	Ellen G. White was inspired by God and presented God's message in terms of her own place and time	1187	47.5	62.8	75.2
	Ellen G. White copied what God told her word for word, and wrote without being influenced by her own place and time	468	18.7	24.8	100.0
	Total	1890	75.7	100.0	
Missing	System	608	24.3		
Total		2498	100.0		

**ACCEPTANCE OF SDA TEACHINGS**

**Jesus Christ is the son of God**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1575	63.1	73.0	73.0
	I accept it because the church teaches it	303	12.1	14.0	87.0
	I have some questions about it	28	1.1	1.3	88.3
	I have major doubts about it	31	1.2	1.4	89.7
	I don't accept it	40	1.6	1.9	91.6
	This question is not important to me	182	7.3	8.4	100.0
	Total	2159	86.4	100.0	
Missing	System	339	13.6		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The investigative or pre-Advent judgment began in 1844**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1041	41.7	51.5	51.5
	I accept it because the church teaches it	400	16.0	19.8	71.3
	I have some questions about it	168	6.7	8.3	79.6
	I have major doubts about it	141	5.6	7.0	86.6
	I don't accept it	109	4.4	5.4	92.0
	This question is not important to me	162	6.5	8.0	100.0
	Total	2021	80.9	100.0	
Missing	System	477	19.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**The Church's interpretation of end-time prophecies**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1190	47.6	58.9	58.9
	I accept it because the church teaches it	400	16.0	19.8	78.7
	I have some questions about it	130	5.2	6.4	85.1
	I have major doubts about it	111	4.4	5.5	90.6
	I don't accept it	67	2.7	3.3	93.9
	This question is not important to me	123	4.9	6.1	100.0
	Total	2021	80.9	100.0	
Missing	System	477	19.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Ellen G. White was an inspired messenger to the Adventist church**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1271	50.9	60.2	60.2
	I accept it because the church teaches it	444	17.8	21.0	81.3
	I have some questions about it	84	3.4	4.0	85.3
	I have major doubts about it	65	2.6	3.1	88.3
	I don't accept it	59	2.4	2.8	91.1
	This question is not important to me	187	7.5	8.9	100.0
	Total	2110	84.5	100.0	
Missing	System	388	15.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist standards regarding healthful living**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1283	51.4	62.0	62.0
	I accept it because the church teaches it	409	16.4	19.7	81.7
	I have some questions about it	116	4.6	5.6	87.3
	I have major doubts about it	65	2.6	3.1	90.4
	I don't accept it	47	1.9	2.3	92.7
	This question is not important to me	151	6.0	7.3	100.0
	Total	2071	82.9	100.0	
Missing	System	427	17.1		
Total		2498	100.0		

**Adventist standards regarding modesty and simplicity in dress**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I embrace it wholeheartedly	1195	47.8	58.0	58.0
	I accept it because the church teaches it	386	15.5	18.7	76.7
	I have some questions about it	141	5.6	6.8	83.6
	I have major doubts about it	103	4.1	5.0	88.5
	I don't accept it	98	3.9	4.8	93.3
	This question is not important to me	138	5.5	6.7	100.0
	Total	2061	82.5	100.0	
Missing	System	437	17.5		
Total		2498	100.0		

**RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ACCEPTANCE OF SDA TEACHINGS AND AGE**

Age is 30 years or younger		SID
The investigative or pre-Advent judgment began in 1844	Correlation Coefficient	-.145**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1940
The Church's interpretation of end-time prophecies	Correlation Coefficient	-.093**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	1938
Adventist standards regarding healthful living	Correlation Coefficient	-.055*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.014
	N	1988
Adventist standards regarding modesty and simplicity in dress	Correlation Coefficient	-.070**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.002
	N	1979

1 – I embrace it wholeheartedly, ... , 6 – not important

*Older church members tend to accept the above SDA teachings.*

**How would you describe your attitude toward religion and spirituality?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	I'm religious but not spiritual	175	7.0	8.3	8.3
	I'm spiritual but not religious	105	4.2	5.0	13.2
	I am both spiritual and religious	1808	72.4	85.5	98.7
	I am neither spiritual nor religious	27	1.1	1.3	100.0
	Total	2115	84.7	100.0	
Missing	System	383	15.3		
Total		2498	100.0		



## APPENDIX B - ENGLISH VERSION

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST**  
**Southern Africa – Indian Ocean Division**



**Valuegenesis Church Research Survey Instrument**  
**Seventh-day Adventist Church Member Survey**

## FAITH, BELIEFS, PERCEPTIONS, ATTITUDES AND ACTIONS

This questionnaire concerns your own beliefs, faith experience, perceptions, attitudes and involvement in your local church. The information you provide will help church leaders learn how to strengthen your local church and to better understand your religious life. You are one of those selected to take part, and your help is very important.

What you say in this survey is completely anonymous. We do not ask for your name, and there are no secret codes that can identify you by name.

Please answer ALL questions as honestly as possible. Do not ask anyone else how they think you should answer. We want to know your feelings, your beliefs, and your opinions. Do not spend too much time on any one question. Answer each question as seems best, then move quickly to the next one.

We need you to know that you have the right to not to participate if that is your preference. Your completion of this survey will help to make our findings much more representative and effective. We really want to thank you for helping us.

### 1. YOUR INFORMATION

**We need to know some important information about you. Tick one option that applies to you.**

**1.1. How do you describe yourself?**

- Black
- Caucasian/White
- East Asian
- Latin/Hispanic
- South Asian
- Other

**1.2. What is your gender?**

- Male
- Female

**1.3. Are you a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church?**

- Yes
- No

**1.4. How old are you?**

- |   |                                  |  |
|---|----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Younger than 15 years of age | <input type="checkbox"/> 46 – 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Older than 80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16 – 20                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 51 – 55 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21 – 25                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 56 – 60 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26 – 30                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 61 – 65 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 31 – 35                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 66 – 70 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 36 – 40                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 71 – 75 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 41 – 45                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 76 – 80 |  |

**1.5. What country are you living in?** \_\_\_\_\_

**1.6. On the average, about how many times have you attended church services during the last year?**

- None
- 1 – 2
- A few times
- Once a month
- 2-3 times a month
- 4 or more times a month

**1.7. What is the highest level of school have you completed?**

- Primary (elementary) school only
- Primary (elementary) and some secondary (high) school
- Finished secondary (high) school
- Some college or university
- College or university graduate
- Graduate school or professional school graduate

**1.8. Have you attended a Seventh-day Adventist school, college or university?** (Check all that apply)

- No SDA schooling
- Some SDA primary (elementary)
- Completed SDA primary (elementary)
- Some SDA secondary (high) school
- Completed SDA secondary (high) school
- Some SDA college or university
- Completed SDA college or university
- SDA graduate school or professional school

**1.9. Have you been a Seventh-day Adventist from birth?**

- Yes
- No

**1.10. If not, then for how long have you been a Seventh-day Adventist?** (What answer is the best answer for you?)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than one year | <input type="checkbox"/> 26-30 years        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-4 years          | <input type="checkbox"/> 31-35 years        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 years         | <input type="checkbox"/> 36-40 years        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 years        | <input type="checkbox"/> 41-45 years        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16-20 years        | <input type="checkbox"/> 46-50 years        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21-25 years        | <input type="checkbox"/> More than 50 years |

**1.11. Are you employed by an institution that is owned by or affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventist Church?**

- Yes
- No

## **2. ABOUT YOUR CHURCH**

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**Think about the local church you now attend. How true of your church are each of these statements?**





2.36	Shows true spiritual leadership in our church community	1	2	3	4	5
2.37	Receptive of new ideas	1	2	3	4	5
2.38	Thorough in pastoral duties	1	2	3	4	5

In your experiences with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and your local church leadership, how often are the following statements true or not true? Circle the number that describes your answer:

1 – No opinion    2 – Never true    3 – Rarely true    4 – True    5 – Often true    6 – Always true

Your local church leadership...

2.39	is open to new ideas	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.40	clearly communicates the mission of the Church	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.41	is doing enough to engage members in mission	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.42	is easy to talk with	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.43	is active in assisting our local church	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.44	is responsive to local community needs	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.45	is out of touch with our local church needs	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.46	is supportive of involving young people in worship services	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.47	is creative	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.48	is supportive of our local or conference school	1	2	3	4	5	6

2.49. In thinking about what originally brought you to this congregation, what originally attracted you to attend this congregation? (You may pick more than one answer)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> My friends are there                | <input type="checkbox"/> The church's reputation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult education program             | <input type="checkbox"/> Child and Youth program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The music program                   | <input type="checkbox"/> The community outreach  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The worship style                   | <input type="checkbox"/> The self-help groups    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The doctrines of the church         | <input type="checkbox"/> The denominational ties |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The minister                        | <input type="checkbox"/> An evangelism program   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proximity to where I live           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (Add a brief sentence) |  |

2.50. In thinking about what originally brought you to this congregation, what is the foremost reason you remain a part of this congregation? (You may pick more than one answer)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> My friends are there                | <input type="checkbox"/> The church's reputation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult education program             | <input type="checkbox"/> Child and Youth program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The music program                   | <input type="checkbox"/> The community outreach  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The worship style                   | <input type="checkbox"/> The self-help groups    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The doctrines of the church         | <input type="checkbox"/> The denominational ties |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The minister                        | <input type="checkbox"/> An evangelism program   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proximity to where I live           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (Add a brief sentence) |  |

How important are the following personal traits in your pastoral leadership in your local church? Circle the number that describes your answer:

- |                        |                      |                    |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 – Not important      | 3 – Fairly important | 5 – Very important |
| 2 – Slightly important | 4 – Quite important  |                    |

<b>2.51</b>	<b>Expertise in biblical and theological matters</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.52</b>	<b>Emphasis on spiritual development and growth</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.53</b>	<b>Thought-provoking and challenging</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.54</b>	<b>Comforting and reassuring</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.55</b>	<b>Biblical preaching and teaching</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.56</b>	<b>Preaching and teaching on contemporary issues</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.57</b>	<b>New approaches and ideas</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.58</b>	<b>Does things as they have always been done</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.59</b>	<b>Strong and decisive decision-maker</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.60</b>	<b>Encourages lay decision-making</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.61</b>	<b>Relaxed interpersonal style</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.62</b>	<b>Formal interpersonal style</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.63</b>	<b>Works hard to accomplish tasks</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.64</b>	<b>Places feelings of others ahead of achieving goals</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.65</b>	<b>Helps people figure things out for themselves</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.66</b>	<b>Advises people what to do</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.67</b>	<b>Reflective and reserved</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.68</b>	<b>Outgoing and socially engaging</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.69</b>	<b>Maintains a balanced life</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.70</b>	<b>Gives whole self to the church</b>	1	2	3	4	5

**2.71. Overall, to what extent do you think the congregation needs to increase or improve its efforts in *outreach*?**

- We're doing too much now
- We are doing fine as is
- Should increase or improve to some extent
- Should increase or improve to a great extent

**2.72. Overall, to what extent do you think the congregation needs to increase or improve its efforts in *caring and nurture*?**

- We're doing too much now
- We are doing fine as is
- Should increase or improve to some extent
- Should increase or improve to a great extent

**2.73. To what extent would you personally be willing to get more involved in outreach by your congregation?**

- Not at all
- To some extent
- To a moderate extent
- To a great extent

**2.74. Without the support of the worship service in my local church, I feel my faith might gradually fade away**

- Not at all
- To some extent
- To a moderate extent
- To a great extent



3.31	Most members want to be challenged to think about religious issues and ideas	1	2	3	4	5
3.32	It is friendly	1	2	3	4	5
3.33	It challenges my thinking	1	2	3	4	5
3.34	It encourages me to ask questions	1	2	3	4	5
3.35	Strangers feel welcome	1	2	3	4	5
3.36	It expects people to learn and think	1	2	3	4	5
3.37	It stretches me in worship	1	2	3	4	5
3.38	It provides fellowship	1	2	3	4	5

**3.39. Which of the following best describes your commitment to Jesus Christ (MARK ONE)**

- I am not committed to Christ
- I am not sure if I am committed to Christ
- I committed my life to Christ at a specific moment in my life, but it didn't last
- My commitment to Christ has developed gradually over a period of time
- My commitment to Christ came suddenly and I was changed
- I've been committed to Christ since I was a young child and continue to be committed to Him now.

**How true is each of the following statements for you personally? Score these questions on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being "Never" and 5 being "Often."**

	Never					Often
	1	2	3	4	5	5
3.40	I help others with their religious questions and struggles	1	2	3	4	5
3.41	I seek out opportunities to help me grow spiritually	1	2	3	4	5
3.42	I feel a deep sense of responsibility for reducing pain and suffering in the world	1	2	3	4	5
3.43	I give significant portions of time and money to help other people	1	2	3	4	5
3.44	I feel God's presence in my relationships with other people	1	2	3	4	5
3.45	I feel my life is filled with meaning and purpose	1	2	3	4	5
3.46	I show that I care a great deal about reducing poverty in my country and throughout the world	1	2	3	4	5
3.47	I apply my faith to political and social issues	1	2	3	4	5
3.48	The things I do reflect a commitment to Jesus Christ	1	2	3	4	5
3.49	I talk with other people about my faith	1	2	3	4	5
3.50	I have a real sense that God is guiding me	1	2	3	4	5
3.51	I am spiritually moved by the beauty of God's creation	1	2	3	4	5

**The following are a few questions about your attitude toward religion. Circle the number that describes your answer.**

1 – I strongly disagree  
2 – I tend to disagree

3 – I'm not sure  
4 – I tend to agree

5 – I strongly agree

3.52	I enjoy reading about Seventh-day Adventism	1	2	3	4	5
3.53	I go to church because it helps me to make friends	1	2	3	4	5
3.54	It doesn't much matter what I believe so long as I am good	1	2	3	4	5



4.3	When you get right down to it, there are only two kinds of people in the world: the righteous, who will be rewarded by God, and the rest, who will not	1	2	3	4
4.4	Christianity is about Jesus giving power to conquer sin in my life	1	2	3	4
4.5	I am saved the moment I believe and accept what Jesus has done for me	1	2	3	4
4.6	I believe that Jesus was born of a virgin	1	2	3	4
4.7	The Seventh-day Adventist Church is God's true last-day church with a message to prepare the world for the Second Coming of Christ	1	2	3	4
4.8	There is no body of teaching, or set of scriptures, which is completely without error or contradiction	1	2	3	4
4.9	Of all the people on earth, one group has a special relationship with God	1	2	3	4
4.10	A relationship with Jesus is important, but I will not get to heaven unless I obey God's law	1	2	3	4
4.11	I expect the world as we know it to end within the next 20 years	1	2	3	4
4.12	If I have been baptized, I will make it to heaven if I remain a good person all my life	1	2	3	4
4.13	I believe God created the world in exactly six days of 24 hours each in the relatively recent past	1	2	3	4
4.14	I believe God created the world	1	2	3	4
4.15	If I am to be saved, I need to be baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church	1	2	3	4
4.16	The Adventist church believes in "present truth" which means beliefs might change over time	1	2	3	4
4.17	The true Sabbath is the seventh-day Saturday	1	2	3	4
4.18	When a person dies their body remains in the grave and their soul sleeps until the resurrection	1	2	3	4
4.19	I believe witchcraft is real and even Christians can go to the witchdoctors for protection.	1	2	3	4
4.20	The fact that men of God, such as Abraham, Jacob, David, and Solomon, were polygamists, shows that God approves polygamy.	1	2	3	4

**4.21. Read the following statements carefully: then mark next to ONE statement that is closest to your understanding of what the Bible is.**

- The Bible contains no more truth or wisdom than do the religious books of other world religions
- The Bible is the work of people who collected stories that had been created to explain the mysteries of life. It contains a great deal of wisdom about the human experience
- The Bible is the work of people who genuinely loved God and who wanted to share their understanding of God's activity in the world
- The Bible is the work of people who were inspired by God and who represented God's message in terms of their own place and time
- The Bible is the work of people who copied what God told them word for word, and who wrote without being influenced by their own place and time
- The Bible is the work of people who were inspired by God and who, though expressing their message in terms of their own time and place, expressed eternal truths

**4.22. Read the following statements carefully; then mark next to ONE statement that is closest to your understanding of the writings of Ellen G. White.**

- I don't know who Ellen G. White is
- Ellen G. White's writings contain no more truth or wisdom than do the religious works written by leaders of other denominations
- Ellen G. White was a person who created stories of supernatural guidance in order to explain the mysteries of life. Her writings contain a great deal of wisdom about the human experience
- Ellen G. White was inspired by God and presented God's message in terms of her own place and time
- Ellen G. White copied what God told her word for word, and wrote without being influenced by her own place and time

**To what extent do you accept the following individual teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist church? Circle the number that describes your best answer.**

- 1 – I embrace it wholeheartedly  
 2 – I accept it because the church teaches it  
 3 – I have some questions about it  
 4 – I have major doubts about it  
 5 – I don't accept it  
 6 – This question is not important to me

<b>4.23</b>	<b>Jesus Christ is the son of God</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.24</b>	<b>The investigative or pre-Advent judgment began in 1844</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.25</b>	<b>The Church's interpretation of end-time prophecies</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.26</b>	<b>Ellen G. White was an inspired messenger to the Adventist church</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.27</b>	<b>Adventist standards regarding healthful living</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.28</b>	<b>Adventist standards regarding modesty and simplicity in dress</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**4.29. How would you describe your attitude toward religion and spirituality?**

- I'm religious but not spiritual
- I'm spiritual but not religious
- I am both spiritual and religious
- I am neither spiritual nor religious

*Thank you for helping us with this Church Member Survey.  
 We sincerely appreciate your help in this research project.*

## APPENDIX C – PORTUGUESE VERSION

**Conferência Geral dos Adventistas do Sétimo Dia  
Divisão da Africa Austral e Oceano Índico**



**Instrumento de Pesquisa de Génesis de Valores da Igreja  
Pesquisa de Membro da Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia**

**FÉ, CRENÇA, PERCEPÇÕES, ATITUDES E ACÇÕES**

Este questionário te a ver com suas próprias crenças, experiências de fé, percepções, atitudes e envolvimento na igreja local. A informação que irás providenciar ajudará líderes da igreja a aprender como fortalecer sua igreja local e melhor compreender sua vida religiosa. És um(a) daqueles seleccionados a participar, e sua ajuda é muito importante.

O que disseres nesta pesquisa é completamente anónimo. Não pedimos por seu nome, e não existem códigos secretos que possam-te identificar por nome.

Por favor responde TODAS questões o mais honesto possível. Não pergunte ninguém o que eles pensam que deves responder. Queremos saber seus sentimentos, suas crenças, e suas opiniões. Não leve muito tempo em qualquer questão. Responda cada questão como for melhor, e passe rapidamente à próxima.

Queremos que saibas que tens o direito de não participar se essa for sua preferência. Completar esta pesquisa nos ajudará a tornar nossas descobertas mais representativas e eficazes. Queremos lhe agradecer de verdade por nos ajudar.

**1. SUA INFORMAÇÃO**

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**Precisamos saber alguma informação sobre si. Marque uma opção que se aplique a si.**

**1.1 Como descreves a si mesmo?**

- Negro
- Branco
- Asiático Oriental
- Latino/Hispânico
- Sul Asiático
- Outro

**1.2 Qual é seu Género?**

- Masculino  Feminino

**1.3 É membro baptizado da Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia?**

- Sim  Não

**1.4 Qual é sua Idade?**

- |  |                                  |                                      |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Menor que 15 anos | <input type="checkbox"/> 46 – 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Mais que 80 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16 – 20           | <input type="checkbox"/> 51 – 55 |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21 – 25           | <input type="checkbox"/> 56 – 60 |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26 – 30           | <input type="checkbox"/> 61 – 65 |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 31 – 35           | <input type="checkbox"/> 66 – 70 |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 36 – 40           | <input type="checkbox"/> 71 – 75 |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 41 – 45           | <input type="checkbox"/> 76 – 80 |                                      |

1.5 Em que país vives? \_\_\_\_\_

1.6 Em média quantas vezes participou aos cultos da igreja neste ano?

- Nenhuma
- 1 – 2
- Poucas vezes
- Uma vez ao mês
- 2-3 Vezes ao mês
- 4 Ou mais vezes ao mês

1.7 Qual é o nível de escolaridade mais alto que concluiu?

- Ensino primário (elementar) apenas
- Ensino primário (elementar) e algum ensino secundário (médio)
- Ensino secundário (médio) completo.
- Algum universitário
- Graduado de colégio ou universidade
- Graduado de uma escolar de graduação ou profissional

1.8 Já estudou numa escola, colégio ou universidade Adventista do Sétimo Dia? (marque todos que se apliquem)

- Nenhuma escolaridade ASD
- Algum ensino primário (elementar) ASD
- Ensino primário (elementar) ASD completo
- Algum ensino secundário (médio) ASD
- Ensino secundário (médio) ASD completo
- Algum colégio ou universidade ASD
- Colégio ou universidade ASD completa
- Escolar de graduação ou profissional ASD

1.9 É Adventista do Sétimo dia desde nascença?

- Sim       Não

1.10. Se não, então por quanto tempo é Adventista do Sétimo Dia? (Qual é a melhor resposta para si?)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Menos que um ano | <input type="checkbox"/> 26-30 Anos       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-4 Anos         | <input type="checkbox"/> 31-35 Anos       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 Anos        | <input type="checkbox"/> 36-40 Anos       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 Anos       | <input type="checkbox"/> 41-45 Anos       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16-20 Anos       | <input type="checkbox"/> 46-50 Anos       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21-25 Anos       | <input type="checkbox"/> Mais que 50 anos |

1.11. Está empregado por uma instituição pertencente ou afiliada com a Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia?

- Sim       Não

## 2 SOBRE SUA IGREJA

Pense na Igreja Local em que participa agora. Quão verdadeira é cada uma destas declarações sobre sua igreja?

2.1 Quão frequente participas do culto em sua igreja?

- Poucas vezes por ano ou menos
- Uma ou duas vezes cada mês
- Duas ou três vezes por mês
- Cerca de uma vez por semana
- Mais que uma vez por semana

**2.2 PREFERIRIA ir a igreja:**

- Poucas vezes no ano ou menos
- Uma ou duas vezes no mês
- Duas ou três vezes no mês
- Cerca de uma vez na semana
- Mais que uma vez na semana

**2.3 Como consideras seu envolvimento na sua igreja?** (Marque a resposta abaixo que mais descreve sua ligação com sua igreja)

- Eu não participo das actividades da igreja
- Considero-me um observador
- Considero-me um participante casual
- Considero-me um participante activo
- Considero-me um líder na minha igreja

**2.4 Quão satisfeito está com a igreja em que participas?**(Circunde um)

Muito insatisfeito	Neutro				Muito satisfeito				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

**2.5 Que características da vida da igreja lhe levariam a pensar em deixar sua igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia local a adorar numa *outra congregação de fé diferente?***

- Aquando sermões são tediosos
- Quando a igreja é fria e pouco amigável
- Quando não existem actividades fora dos cultos de fim-de-semana
- Quando os cultos não são significantes
- Outros \_\_\_\_\_ (Adicione uma frase que responda esta)

**2.6 Que características da vida da igreja lhe levariam a pensar em deixar sua igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia local a adorar numa *outra Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia?***

- Aquando sermões são tediosos
- Quando a igreja é fria e pouco amigável
- Quando não existem actividades fora dos cultos de fim-de-semana
- Quando os cultos não são significantes
- Outros \_\_\_\_\_ (Adicione uma frase que responda esta)

**2.7 Que características da vida da igreja lhe levariam a pensar em deixar sua igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia local a adorar *em casa?***

- Aquando sermões são tediosos
- Quando a igreja é fria e pouco amigável
- Quando não existem actividades fora dos cultos de fim-de-semana
- Quando os cultos não são significantes
- Outros \_\_\_\_\_ (Adicione uma frase que responda esta)



2.33	Ocasionalmente visita membros de igreja nos lares	1	2	3	4	5
2.34	Sensível às necessidades dos outros	1	2	3	4	5
2.35	Um bom pregador	1	2	3	4	5
2.36	Demonstra liderança espiritual verdadeira na comunidade de nossa igreja	1	2	3	4	5
2.37	Receptivo de novas ideias	1	2	3	4	5
2.38	Minucioso nas tarefas pastorais	1	2	3	4	5

Na sua experiência com a liderança da Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia e da sua igreja local, quão frequentes as seguintes afirmações são verdadeiras ou não verdadeiras? Circule o número que descreve sua resposta:

1 – Nenhuma opinião 2 – Nunca verdade 3 – Raramente verdade 4 – Verdade 5 – Muitas vezes verdade 6 – Sempre verdade

#### Liderança da sua igreja local...

2.39	Aberta a novas ideias	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.40	Comunica claramente a missão da igreja	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.41	Faz o suficiente para engajar membros na missão	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.42	É fácil de falar com ela	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.43	É activa em apoiar nossa igreja local	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.44	É responsivo às necessidades da comunidade local	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.45	Está aparte das necessidades da igreja local	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.46	Apoia o envolvimento de jovens nos cultos	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.47	É criativa	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.48	Apoia a nossa escola local ou da conferência	1	2	3	4	5	6

#### 2.49. Pensando no que originalmente te trouxe a esta congregação, o que originalmente te atraiu a participar desta congregação? (Pode tomar mais que uma resposta)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meus amigos estão ali           | <input type="checkbox"/> A reputação da igreja            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programa de Educação de Adultos | <input type="checkbox"/> Programa de crianças e de Jovens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O programa de música            | <input type="checkbox"/> A penetração na comunidade       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O estilo de adoração            | <input type="checkbox"/> Os grupos de auto-apoio          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> As doutrinas da igreja          | <input type="checkbox"/> Os vínculos denominacionais      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O ministro                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Um programa evangelístico        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proximidade de onde morro       |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outra: _____                    | (Adicione uma frase breve)                                |

#### 2.50. Pensando no que originalmente te trouxe a esta congregação, qual é a primeira razão porque permaneces nesta congregação? (pode tomar mais que uma razão)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meus amigos estão ali           | <input type="checkbox"/> A reputação da igreja            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programa de Educação de Adultos | <input type="checkbox"/> Programa de crianças e de Jovens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O programa de música            | <input type="checkbox"/> A penetração na comunidade       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O estilo de adoração            | <input type="checkbox"/> Os grupos de auto-apoio          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> As doutrinas da igreja          | <input type="checkbox"/> Os vínculos denominacionais      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> O ministro                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Um programa evangelístico        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proximidade de onde morro       |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outra: _____                    | (Adicione uma frase breve)                                |

Quão importantes são os seguintes traços pessoais na liderança pastoral da sua igreja local? Circule o número que descreve sua resposta:

1 – Não Importante

3 – Razoavelmente Importante

5 – Muito Importante

2 – Pouco Importante

4 – Bem Importante

2.51	Peritagem em questões bíblicas e teológicas	1	2	3	4	5
2.52	Enfãse em desenvolvimento e crescimento espiritual	1	2	3	4	5
2.53	Desafiante e dando no que pensar	1	2	3	4	5
2.54	Confortando e assegurando	1	2	3	4	5
2.55	Pregação e ensino bíblico	1	2	3	4	5
2.56	Pregar e ensinar em questões contemporâneas	1	2	3	4	5
2.57	Novas abordagens e ideias	1	2	3	4	5
2.58	Faz as coisas como sempre foram feitas	1	2	3	4	5
2.59	Tomada de decisão forte e decisiva	1	2	3	4	5
2.60	Encoraja tomada de decisão leiga	1	2	3	4	5
2.61	Estilo interpessoal relaxada	1	2	3	4	5
2.62	Estilo Interpessoal formal	1	2	3	4	5
2.63	Trabalha duro para completar tarefas	1	2	3	4	5
2.64	Coloca o sentimento de outros em frente de atingir alvos	1	2	3	4	5
2.65	Ajuda pessoas a descobrirem coisa por si próprias	1	2	3	4	5
2.66	Aconselha pessoas no que fazer	1	2	3	4	5
2.67	Reflexivo e Reservado	1	2	3	4	5
2.68	Comunicativo e socialmente engajado	1	2	3	4	5
2.69	Mantém uma vida equilibrada	1	2	3	4	5
2.70	Entrega-se completamente à igreja	1	2	3	4	5

2.71. Em suma, até que ponto pensas que a congregação deve aumentar ou melhorar seu esforço na *penetração*?

- Estamos fazendo muito demais agora
- Estamos bem como está
- Deve aumentar ou melhorar em certo ponto
- Deve aumentar ou melhor em grande ponto

2.72. Em suma, até que ponto pensas a congregação deve aumentar ou melhorar seu esforço em *cuidar e nutrir*?

- Estamos fazendo muito demais agora
- Estamos bem como está
- Deve aumentar ou melhorar em certo ponto
- Deve aumentar ou melhor em grande ponto

2.73. Até que ponto estaria pessoalmente querendo estar mais envolvido na *penetração* por sua congregação?

- De maneira nenhuma
- A algum ponto
- A um ponto moderado
- A um grande ponto

**2.74. Sem o apoio do culto na minha igreja local, sinto que minha fé poderá se apagar gradualmente.**

- De maneira nenhuma
- A algum ponto
- A um ponto moderado
- A um grande ponto

**2.75. Uso informação da internet (World Wide Web) como forma de fazer crescer minha fé.**

- De maneira nenhuma
- A algum ponto
- A um ponto moderado
- A um grande ponto

### **3.SUA VIDA RELIGIOSA**

**Quanto cada um do seguinte lhe ajudou a desenvolver sua vida religiosa? Circular o número que descreve sua resposta. Se nunca estiveres envolvido, escolha “Não se aplica a mim”. Escolha entre estas respostas:**

**1** – Não se aplica a mim **2** – De maneira nenhuma **3** – Algumas vezes **4** – Muitas vezes **5** – Muito

<b>3.1</b>	<b>Escola Sabatina</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Estudo Bíblico Individual e Oração</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.3</b>	<b>Cultos da Igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.4</b>	<b>Culto Familiar</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.5</b>	<b>Encontros de Oração</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.6</b>	<b>Semanas de Oração na Igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.7</b>	<b>Retiros da Igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Penetração na Comunidade da igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.9</b>	<b>Projectos de missão de curto prazo</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.10</b>	<b>Ir a uma escola Adventista</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.11</b>	<b>Penetração evangelístico (<i>Dando Estudos Bíblicos, Distribuir literatura, etc.</i>)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.12</b>	<b>Eventos financiados pela conferência</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.13</b>	<b>O pastor da Igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.14</b>	<b>O pastor de jovens</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.15</b>	<b>Os anciãos locais na minha igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.16</b>	<b>A lição da Escola Sabatina</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.17</b>	<b>Encontros evangelístico (Públicos)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.18</b>	<b>Pequenos grupos</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.19</b>	<b>Publicações Adventistas (Jornais da União/Divisão)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.20</b>	<b>Publicações Adventistas (Revista Adventista/Mundo Adventista)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.21</b>	<b>Publicações Adventistas On-line</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.22</b>	<b>Família</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.23</b>	<b>Amigos</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.24</b>	<b>Sites da internet</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.25</b>	<b>Rádio Adventista</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.26</b>	<b>TV Adventista</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.27</b>	<b>Sermões do Pastor</b>	1	2	3	4	5

Pense sobre a igreja local onde participas. Quão verdadeiras são para sua igreja cada uma destas afirmações? (Circule UMA escolha apenas nesta escala de 6 pontos com 2 = Não verdadeira completamente e 5 = Muito verdadeiro).

Não vou a igreja                      Não verdadeiro                      Muito verdadeiro  
 1    2    3    4    5    6

3.28	É calorosa	1	2	3	4	5
3.29	Aprendo muito	1	2	3	4	5
3.30	Aceita pessoas que sejam diferentes	1	2	3	4	5
3.31	Maior parte de membros querem ser desafiados a pensar sobre questões e ideias religiosas	1	2	3	4	5
3.32	É amigável	1	2	3	4	5
3.33	Desafia meu pensamento	1	2	3	4	5
3.34	Me encoraja a fazer questões	1	2	3	4	5
3.35	Estranhos se sentem bem-vindos	1	2	3	4	5
3.36	Espera que pessoas aprendam e pensem	1	2	3	4	5
3.37	Me expande em adoração	1	2	3	4	5
3.38	Providencia comunhão	1	2	3	4	5

3.39. Qual dos seguintes melhor descreve seu compromisso com Jesus Cristo (MARQUE UMA)

- Não estou comprometido com Cristo
- Não tenho certeza se estou comprometido com Cristo
- Entreguei minha vida a Cristo num momento específico da minha vida, mas não durou
- Meu compromisso com Cristo desenvolveu gradualmente num período de tempo
- Meu compromisso a Cristo veio de repente e eu fui transformado
- Tenho estado comprometido a Cristo desde que eu era uma criança pequena e continuo sendo comprometido a Ele agora.

Quão verdadeira é cada uma das declarações seguintes para si pessoalmente? Marque estas questões numa escala de 1 a 5 com 1 sendo “Nunca” e 5 sendo “Muitas vezes”.

Nunca    Muitas vezes  
 1    2    3    4    5

3.40	Ajudo outros nas suas questões e lutas religiosas	1	2	3	4	5
3.41	Procuo oportunidades que me ajudem a crescer espiritualmente	1	2	3	4	5
3.42	Sinto um senso profundo de responsabilidade a reduzir dor e sofrimento no mundo	1	2	3	4	5
3.43	Dou porções significantes de tempo e dinheiro para ajudar outros	1	2	3	4	5
3.44	Sinto a presença de Deus no meu relacionamento com outros	1	2	3	4	5
3.45	Sinto que minha vida está cheia de propósito e sentido	1	2	3	4	5
3.46	Mostro que me preocupo muito com redução de pobreza no meu país e a volta do mundo	1	2	3	4	5
3.47	Aplico minha fé a questões políticas e sociais	1	2	3	4	5
3.48	O que faço reflecte um compromisso com Jesus Cristo	1	2	3	4	5
3.49	Falo com outras pessoas sobre minha fé	1	2	3	4	5

<b>3.50</b>	<b>Tenho um senso real que Deus está me guiando</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.51</b>	<b>Sou espiritualmente movido pela beleza da criação de Deus</b>	1	2	3	4	5

As seguintes são poucas questões sobre sua atitude para com religião. Circule o número que descreve sua resposta.

1 – Discordo fortemente

3 – Não tenho certeza

5 – Concordo fortemente

2 – Tendo a discordar

4 – Tendo a concordar

<b>3.51</b>	<b>Gosto de ler sobre o Adventismo do Sétimo Dia</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.52</b>	<b>Vou a igreja porque me ajuda a fazer amigos</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.53</b>	<b>Não importa o que creio desde que eu seja bom</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.54</b>	<b>Algumas vezes tenho que desrespeitar minhas crenças religiosas por causa do que pessoas possam pensar sobre mim</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.55</b>	<b>É importante para mim passar tempo em pensamento e oração privada</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.56</b>	<b>Sempre tenho tido um forte senso da presença de Deus</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.57</b>	<b>Oro principalmente para ter alívio e proteção</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.58</b>	<b>Tento duro para viver de acordo com minha crença religiosa</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.59</b>	<b>O que a religião me oferece mais é conforto em tempos difíceis</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.60</b>	<b>Minha religião é importante porque responde muitas questões sobre o significado da vida</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.61</b>	<b>Eu me juntaria a um grupo de estudo bíblico do que a um grupo social da igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.62</b>	<b>Oração é para paz e felicidade</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.63</b>	<b>Embora seja religioso, não deixo que afecte minha vida diária</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.64</b>	<b>Vou para igreja principalmente para passar tempo com meus amigos</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.65</b>	<b>Toda minha abordagem da vida é baseada na minha religião</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.66</b>	<b>Vou a igreja principalmente porque gosto de ver pessoas que conheço lá</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.67</b>	<b>Oro principalmente porque fui ensinado a orar</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.68</b>	<b>Orações que faço quando sozinho são tão importantes para mim tanto quanto as que faço na igreja</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.69</b>	<b>Embora creia na minha religião muitas outras coisas são mais importantes para mim</b>	1	2	3	4	5

**Instruções:** Quão frequente já fizeste qualquer do seguinte? Circule o número que descreve sua resposta.

1 – Nunca

3 – Cerca de uma vez por semana

5 – Diariamente ou mais que uma vez no dia

2 – Menos que uma vez por mês

4 – Mais que uma vez por semana

<b>3.70</b>	<b>Ler a Bíblia</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.71</b>	<b>Engajar em devoções pessoais</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.72</b>	<b>Ler os escritos de Ellen G. White</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.73</b>	<b>Ter culto familiar (<i>Orações ou devoções religiosas que tem juntos como uma família for a da igreja</i>)</b>	1	2	3	4	5

*Estás indo bem e estás quase terminado.  
Esta é a última secção da nossa pesquisa.*

#### 4. SOBRE O QUE TU CRÊS

Circule o número que descreve tua resposta. *Escolha destas respostas. (não esperamos que concorde com todas estas afirmações).*

1 – Discordo fortemente

3 – Concordo mais do que discordo

2 – Discordo mais do que concordo

4 – Concordo fortemente

4.1	Deus ama a todos, e estarei bem no final se eu for uma pessoa moralmente boa	1	2	3	4
4.2	Creio num Deus pessoal que procura um relacionamento com seres humanos	1	2	3	4
4.3	Quando pensamos bem, existem apenas dois tipos de pessoas no mundo: os justos, que serão recompensados por Deus, e o resto, que não serão	1	2	3	4
4.4	Cristianismo é sobre Cristo dando poder para conquistar o pecado em minha vida	1	2	3	4
4.5	Sou salvo no momento em que creio e aceito o que Cristo fez por mim	1	2	3	4
4.6	Creio que Jesus foi nascido por uma virgem	1	2	3	4
4.7	A igreja adventista do sétimo Dia é a Igreja verdadeira de Deus dos últimos dias com uma mensagem para preparar o mundo para a segunda vinda de Cristo	1	2	3	4
4.8	Não existe um corpo de ensinamentos, ou conjunto de escrituras, que seja completamente sem erro ou contradição	1	2	3	4
4.9	De todas as pessoas no mundo, um grupo tem um relacionamento especial com Deus	1	2	3	4
4.10	Um relacionamento com Jesus é importante, mas não irei aos céus a menos que obedeça a lei de Deus	1	2	3	4
4.11	Espero que o mundo como o conhecemos termine nos próximos 20 anos	1	2	3	4
4.12	Se fui batizado, irei ao céu se permanecer uma boa pessoa por toda a minha vida	1	2	3	4
4.13	Creio que Deus criou o mundo em exactamente seis dias de 24 horas cada num passado relativamente recente	1	2	3	4
4.14	Creio que Deus criou o mundo	1	2	3	4
4.15	Para eu ser salvo, tenho que ser batizado na Igreja Adventista do Sétimo Dia	1	2	3	4
4.16	A Igreja adventista crê na “verdade presente” que se ignifica que crenças podem mudar com o tempo	1	2	3	4
4.17	O Sábado verdadeiro é o Sábado do sétimo dia	1	2	3	4
4.18	Quando alguém more seu corpo permanece na tumba sua alma dorme até a ressurreição	1	2	3	4
4.19	Creio que feitiçaria é real e mesmo cristãos podem ir ao feitiçeiro para protecção.	1	2	3	4
4.20	O facto de homens de Deus, como Abrão, Jacó, David, e Salomão, terem sido polígamos, mostra que Deus aprova poligamia.	1	2	3	4

**4.19. Leia cuidadosamente as seguintes declarações: depois marque próximo de UMA declaração que esteja mais perto da sua compreensão do que a bíblia é.**

- A bíblia contém não mais verdade nem sabedoria do que os livros religiosos das religiões do mundo tem.
- A bíblia é a obra de pessoas que colecionaram histórias que foram criadas para explicar os mistérios da vida. Contem uma vasta gama de sabedoria sobre a experiencia humana
- A bíblia é a obra de pessoas que genuinamente amaram Deus e quiseram partilhar sua compreensão da actividade de Deus no mundo
- A Bíblia é a obra de pessoas que foram inspiradas por Deus e que representam a mensagem de Deus em termos de seu próprio lugar e tempo
- A Bíblia é a obra de pessoas que copiaram o que Deus lhes disse palavra por palavra, e que escreveram sem serem influenciados por seu lugar e tempo
- A Bíblia é a obra de pessoas inspiradas por Deus, que embora expressando sua mensagem em termos de seu próprio tempo e lugar, expressaram verdades eternas

**4.20. Leia cuidadosamente as seguintes declarações: depois marque próximo de UMA declaração que esteja mais perto da sua compreensão dos escritos de Ellen G. White.**

- Não sei quem Ellen G. White é
- Os escritos de Ellen G. White contem não mais verdade ou sabedoria do que as obras religiosas escritas por líderes de outras denominações
- Ellen G. White foi uma pessoa que criou histórias de direcção supernatural para explicar os mistérios da vida. Seus escritos contem uma vasta gama de sabedoria sobre a experiencia humana
- Ellen G. White foi inspirada por Deus e apresentou a mensagem de Deus em termos de seu próprio lugar e tempo
- Ellen G. White copiou palavra por palavra o que Deus a falou, e escreveu sem ser influenciada por seu próprio lugar e tempo

**Até que ponto aceitas os seguintes ensinamentos individuais da igreja Adventista do Sétimo dia? Circule o número que descreve a sua melhor resposta.**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1 – Eu o abraço de todo coração          | 4 – Tenho dúvidas maiores sobre ele        |
| 2 – Eu o aceito porque a igreja o ensina | 5 – Não o aceito                           |
| 3 – Tenho algumas questões sobre ele     | 6 – Esta questão não é importante para mim |

<b>4.21</b>	<b>Jesus cristo é o Filho de Deus</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.22</b>	<b>O julgamento investigativo ou pré-advento começou em 1844</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.23</b>	<b>A interpretação da igreja das profecias do tempo do fim</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.24</b>	<b>Ellen G. White foi uma mensageira inspirada para a igreja Adventista</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.25</b>	<b>Padrões Adventistas de vida saudável</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>4.26</b>	<b>Padrões Adventistas em relação a modéstia e simplicidade no vestir</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**4.27. Como descreverias sua atitude para com religião e espiritualidade?**

- Sou religioso(a) mas não espiritual
- Sou espiritual mas não religioso(a)
- Sou ambos religioso(a) e espiritual
- Não sou espiritual nem religioso(a)

*Obrigado por nos ajudar com esta Pesquisa de Membro da Igreja.  
Estimamos sinceramente sua ajuda neste projecto de pesquisa.*

## APPENDIX D – FRENCH VERSION

CONFERENCE GENERALE DES ADVENTISTES DU SEPTIÈME JOUR  
 Division Afrique Australe – Océan Indien



**Instrument d'Etude et de Recherche pour l'Eglise Valuegenesis**  
**Etude des Membres de l'Eglise Adventiste**

**Foi, Croyances, Perceptions, Attitudes et Actions**

Ce questionnaire concerne vos propres croyances, votre expérience de foi, vos perceptions, vos attitudes et votre implication dans votre église locale. Les informations que vous fournirez aideront les leaders de l'église à savoir comment renforcer votre église locale et de mieux comprendre votre vie religieuse. Vous êtes l'une des personnes sélectionnées pour y participer, et votre aide est d'une grande importance.

Ce que vous dites dans cette enquête est anonyme. Nous ne demandons pas votre nom, et il n'y a pas de codes secrets qui peuvent vous identifier.

Veillez répondre à TOUTES les questions de façon la plus honnête possible. Ne demandez à personne d'autre ce qu'ils pensent de ce que vous devriez répondre. Nous voulons connaître vos sentiments, vos croyances, et votre opinion. Ne passez pas trop de temps sur une question seulement. Répondez à chaque question au mieux, puis passez rapidement à la suivante.

Nous voulons que vous sachiez que vous avez le droit de ne pas participer si vous le préférez. Une fois achevée, cette enquête aidera à ce que nos résultats soient plus représentatifs et efficaces. Nous voulons vraiment vous remercier pour votre aide.

**1. VOS DÉTAILS**

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Nous devons connaître quelques détails vous concernant. Cochez l'option qui s'applique à vous.

**1.1 Comment vous décrivez-vous?**

- Noir
- Caucasien/Blanc
- Asiatique de l'est
- Latino/Hispanique
- Asiatique du sud
- Autre

**1.2 De quel genre êtes-vous?**

- Masculin     Féminin

**1.3 Etes-vous un membre baptisé de l'Eglise Adventiste du septième jour?**

- Oui             Non

**1.4 Quel âge avez-vous?**

- |  |                                  |   |
|--|----------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moins de 15 ans | <input type="checkbox"/> 46 – 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Plus de 80 ans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16 – 20         | <input type="checkbox"/> 51 – 55 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21 – 25         | <input type="checkbox"/> 56 – 60 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26 – 30         | <input type="checkbox"/> 61 – 65 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 31 – 35         | <input type="checkbox"/> 66 – 70 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 36 – 40         | <input type="checkbox"/> 71 – 75 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 41 – 45         | <input type="checkbox"/> 76 – 80 |   |

**1.5 Dans quel pays résidez-vous?** \_\_\_\_\_

**1.6 Dans la moyenne, environ combien de fois êtes-vous allé à un service d'église l'année dernière ?**

- Aucun
- 1 – 2
- Quelques fois
- Une fois par mois
- 2 – 3 fois par mois
- 4 ou plus de fois par mois

**1.7 Quel est votre niveau de scolarité?**

- Ecole primaire (élémentaire) seulement
- Ecole primaire (élémentaire) et un peu d'école secondaire
- Ecole secondaire complétée
- Peu de temps à l'université
- Diplômé d'université
- Diplômé d'école professionnelle

**1.8 Etes-vous allé à une école, collège ou université Adventiste du septième Jour?**  
(Cochez tout ce qui est applicable)

- Jamais scolarisé dans un établissement adventiste
- Peu de temps en primaire (Adventiste)
- Ecole primaire adventiste complétée
- Peu de temps en secondaire (Adventiste)
- Ecole secondaire adventiste complétée
- Peu de temps à l'université (Adventiste)
- Etude universitaire adventiste complétée
- Ecole professionnelle adventiste

**1.9 Etes-vous un Adventiste du septième jour depuis la naissance?**

- Oui
- Non

**1.10. Sinon, depuis quand êtes-vous un Adventiste du septième jour? (Quelle est la meilleure réponse pour vous?)**

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moins d'un an | <input type="checkbox"/> 26-30 ans      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-4 ans       | <input type="checkbox"/> 31-35 ans      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 ans      | <input type="checkbox"/> 36-40 ans      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 ans     | <input type="checkbox"/> 41-45 ans      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 16-20 ans     | <input type="checkbox"/> 46-50 ans      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21-25 ans     | <input type="checkbox"/> Plus de 50 ans |

**1.11. Etes-vous employé par une institution qui appartient ou est affilié à l'Eglise Adventiste du septième jour ?**

- Oui
- Non

## **2 VOTRE ÉGLISE**

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**Pensez à l'église que vous fréquentez maintenant. Combien vrai est chacune de ces déclarations?**

**2.1 Combien de fois allez-vous aux services d'adoration de votre église?**

- Très peu de fois par an
- Une fois par mois ou chaque deux mois
- Deux à trois fois par mois
- Une fois par semaine
- Plus d'une fois par semaine

**2.2 J'aurai PRÉFÉRÉ aller à l'église:**

- Quelques fois par an ou moins
- Une fois ou deux fois par mois
- Deux ou trois fois par mois
- Environ une fois par semaine
- Plus d'une fois par semaine

**2.3 Comment considérez-vous votre implication dans votre église?**

(Cochez la réponse qui décrit le mieux votre attachement à votre église)

- Je ne participe pas à toutes les activités d'église
- Je me considère comme un observateur
- Je me considère comme un participant informel
- Je me considère comme un participant actif
- Je me considère comme un leader dans mon église

**2.4 Etes-vous satisfait de l'église que vous fréquentez? (Encerclez un chiffre)**

Pas satisfait					Neutre					Très satisfait
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

**2.5 Quels caractéristiques de la vie d'église vous feraient considérer de quitter votre église Adventiste du septième jour locale pour adorer dans une autre *congrégation de foi différente*?**

- Quand les sermons sont ennuyeux
- Quand l'église est froide et peu chaleureuse
- Quand il n'y a pas d'activités en dehors des services du weekend
- Quand les services d'adoration n'ont pas de sens
- Autre \_\_\_\_\_

**2.6 Quels caractéristiques de la vie d'église vous feraient considérer de quitter votre église Adventiste du septième jour locale pour adorer dans une autre *Eglise Adventiste du septième jour*?**

- Quand les sermons sont ennuyeux
- Quand l'église est froide et peu chaleureuse
- Quand il n'y a pas d'activités en dehors des services du weekend
- Quand les services d'adoration n'ont pas de sens
- Autre \_\_\_\_\_

**2.7 Quels caractéristiques de la vie d'église vous feraient considérer de quitter votre église Adventiste du septième jour locale pour adorer à la *maison*?**

- Quand les sermons sont ennuyeux
- Quand l'église est froide et peu chaleureuse
- Quand il n'y a pas d'activités en dehors des services du weekend
- Quand les services d'adoration n'ont pas de sens
- Autre \_\_\_\_\_

Pensez à votre expérience avec votre église. (Incluez l'Ecole du Sabbat, Etudes bibliques, programmes de jeunesse, ministères d'évangélisation, services d'adoration et ce qui y ressemble.)

Pour chacune de ces déclarations, encerclez le numéro qui vous semble plus près de la vérité :

1 – Jamais      2 – Quelques fois      3 – Souvent      4 – Presque tout le temps

2.8	Les programmes de mon église sont intéressants	1	2	3	4
2.9	Les programmes de mon église me font réfléchir	1	2	3	4
2.10	Les moniteurs de l'Ecole du Sabbat ou les leaders me connaissent bien	1	2	3	4
2.11	Mon pasteur me connaît bien	1	2	3	4
2.12	Les leaders de l'église sont chaleureux et amicaux	1	2	3	4
2.13	Je peux être moi-même à l'église (ne pas faire semblant)	1	2	3	4
2.14	Les leaders de notre église prennent soin de moi	1	2	3	4
2.15	J'anticipe d'aller aux programmes de mon église	1	2	3	4
2.16	Je vais aux programmes de l'église parce que j'en ai envie	1	2	3	4
2.17	Mon église m'aide à m'approcher plus de Dieu	1	2	3	4
2.18	Je vais aux réunions de cellules organisées par l'église	1	2	3	4
2.19	Je me sens inconfortable/coupable quand je ne vais pas à l'église la plupart des weekends	1	2	3	4
2.20	Je me sens fier de mon église et de son rôle aussi bien que de sa réputation au sein de la communauté	1	2	3	4

Est-ce que vous soutenez votre église par vos dons ? Si OUI, voyez les options 2.21 – 2.29. Si NON, aller à la question 2.30. Encerclez le numéro qui décrit le mieux votre implication dans les opportunités d'offrandes suivantes pour votre église locale. Choisissez parmi ces réponses :

1 – Jamais      2 – Rarement      3 – Parfois      4 – Souvent      5 – Tout le temps      6 – Pas applicable

2.21	Par ma dîme	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.22	Offrandes de l'Ecole du Sabbat	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.23	L'éducation chrétienne	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.24	Le fond de construction pour l'église	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.25	Le programme de mission de l'église	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.26	Les projets d'évangélisation de l'église	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.27	Je donne d'avantage pour l'offrande du 13ème Sabbat	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.28	Je soutiens l'école locale de l'église	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.29	Par des fonds fiduciaires	1	2	3	4	5	6

Sur une échelle de 1 à 5 avec le numéro 1 étant le plus bas « pas du tout » et le numéro 5 le plus haut étant « beaucoup », encerclez le numéro qui décrit le mieux votre pasteur.

Pas du tout

Beaucoup

1

2

3

4

5

2.30	Enthousiaste à propos du ministère	1	2	3	4	5
2.31	Utile en cas de besoin	1	2	3	4	5
2.32	Inspire	1	2	3	4	5
2.33	Visite occasionnellement les membres d'église chez eux	1	2	3	4	5
2.34	Sensible aux besoins des autres	1	2	3	4	5
2.35	Un bon prédicateur	1	2	3	4	5

<b>2.36</b>	<b>Montre un leadership spirituel authentique au sein de la communauté de votre église</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.37</b>	<b>Réceptif aux nouvelles idées</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>2.38</b>	<b>Méthodiques dans ses tâches pastorales</b>	1	2	3	4	5

Dans votre expérience avec l'Eglise Adventiste du septième jour et le leadership de votre église locale, est-ce que les déclarations suivantes sont souvent vraies ou pas ? Encerclez le numéro qui convient à votre réponse :

- 1 – Pas d'opinion      2 – Jamais vrai      3 – Rarement vrai      4 – Vrai  
5- Souvent vrai      6 – Toujours vrai

#### **Votre leadership d'église locale...**

<b>2.39</b>	<b>Est ouvert aux nouvelles idées</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.40</b>	<b>Communique clairement la mission de l'Eglise</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.41</b>	<b>Fait suffisamment pour engager les membres dans la mission</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.42</b>	<b>On leur parle facilement</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.43</b>	<b>Est actif à aider l'église locale</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.44</b>	<b>Répond aux besoins de la communauté locale</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.45</b>	<b>Hors de portée avec les besoins de l'église locale</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.46</b>	<b>Soutient l'implication des jeunes dans les services d'adoration</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.47</b>	<b>Est créatif</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>2.48</b>	<b>Soutient notre école locale ou l'école de la fédération / mission</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

#### **2.49. Qui vous a amené à cette congrégation, qu'est-ce qui vous a originalement attiré à vous joindre à cette congrégation ? (Vous pouvez choisir plus d'une réponse)**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mes amis sont là                     | <input type="checkbox"/> La réputation de l'église                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme d'éducation pour adulte | <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme pour enfant et pour la jeunesse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme de musique              | <input type="checkbox"/> L'évangélisation pour la communauté          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le style d'adoration                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Les groupes d'entraide                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Les doctrines de l'église            | <input type="checkbox"/> Les liens de la congrégation                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le pasteur                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Un programme d'évangélisation                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> La proximité où j'habite             |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autre: _____                         |   |

#### **2.50. Dans la pensée de ce qui vous a originalement amené à cette congrégation, quelle est la principale raison qui vous a fait rester pour faire partie de cette congrégation? (Vous pouvez choisir plus d'une réponse)**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mes amis sont là                     | <input type="checkbox"/> La réputation de l'église                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme d'éducation pour adulte | <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme pour enfant et pour la jeunesse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le programme de musique              | <input type="checkbox"/> L'évangélisation pour la communauté          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le style d'adoration                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Les groupes d'entraide                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Les doctrines de l'église            | <input type="checkbox"/> Les liens de la congrégation                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Le pasteur                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Un programme d'évangélisation                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> La proximité où j'habite             |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autre: _____                         |   |



**2.74. Sans le soutien du service d'adoration de mon église locale, je sens que ma foi pourrait graduellement disparaître**

- Pas du tout
- Dans une petite mesure
- Dans une mesure modérée
- Dans une grande mesure

**2.75. J'utilise des informations sur l'internet comme moyen pour faire grandir ma foi.**

- Pas du tout
- Dans une petite mesure
- Dans une mesure modérée
- Dans une grande mesure

### 3 VOTRE VIE RELIGIEUSE

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Comment est-ce que les choses suivantes vous ont-ils aidé à développer votre vie religieuse ? Encercler le numéro qui décrit votre réponse. Si vous n'êtes jamais impliqué, choisissez « Ne s'applique pas à moi ».

- 1 – Ne s'applique pas à moi                      2 – Pas du tout                      3 - Quelques fois  
4 – Souvent    5 – Beaucoup

<b>3.1</b>	<b>Ecole du Sabbat</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Etude personnelle de la Bible et prière</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.3</b>	<b>Services d'adoration de l'église</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.4</b>	<b>Culte de famille</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.5</b>	<b>Réunions de prière</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.6</b>	<b>Semaines de prière à l'église</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.7</b>	<b>Retraites d'église</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Evangelisation de l'église à la communauté</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.9</b>	<b>Projets de mission à court terme</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.10</b>	<b>Aller à une école adventiste</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.11</b>	<b>Evangelisation (Donner des études bibliques, distribuer des livres, etc.)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.12</b>	<b>Evénements sponsorisés par la Fédération</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.13</b>	<b>Le pasteur d'église</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.14</b>	<b>Le pasteur des jeunes</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.15</b>	<b>Les anciens de mon église locale</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.16</b>	<b>Questionnaire trimestriel d'étude de l'EDS</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.17</b>	<b>Campagnes d'évangélisation (Publiques)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.18</b>	<b>Cellules</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.19</b>	<b>Publications adventistes (Journal de l'Union /de la Division)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.20</b>	<b>Publication Adventiste (<i>Adventist Review/Adventist World</i>)</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.21</b>	<b>Publications de l'église sur internet</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.22</b>	<b>Famille</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.23</b>	<b>Amis</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.24</b>	<b>Sites internet</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.25</b>	<b>Radio Adventiste</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.26</b>	<b>Télévision Adventiste</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>3.27</b>	<b>Sermons du pasteur</b>	1	2	3	4	5



Ci-dessous sont quelques questions concernant votre attitude envers la religion. Encerclez le numéro qui décrit votre réponse.

- 1 – Je ne suis pas d'accord                      3 – Je ne suis pas sûr                      5- Je suis entièrement d'accord  
2 – J'ai tendance à ne pas être d'accord    4 – J'ai tendance à être d'accord

3.52	J'aime lire sur les Adventistes du septième jour	1	2	3	4	5
3.53	Je vais à l'église parce que cela m'aide à me faire des amis	1	2	3	4	5
3.54	Cela n'a pas d'importance aussi longtemps que je suis bon	1	2	3	4	5
3.55	Quelques fois je dois ignorer mes croyances religieuses à cause de ce que les gens pourraient penser de moi	1	2	3	4	5
3.56	C'est important pour moi de passer du temps dans la réflexion et la prière	1	2	3	4	5
3.57	J'ai souvent eu un sentiment très fort de la présence de Dieu	1	2	3	4	5
3.58	Je prie principalement pour avoir du soulagement et de la protection	1	2	3	4	5
3.59	J'essaye difficilement de vivre selon mes croyances religieuses	1	2	3	4	5
3.60	Ce que m'offre la religion le plus c'est le réconfort dans les moments difficiles	1	2	3	4	5
3.61	Ma religion est importante parce qu'elle répond à beaucoup de questions sur le sens de la vie	1	2	3	4	5
3.62	J'aurai préféré me joindre à un groupe d'étude biblique qu'à un groupe social de l'église	1	2	3	4	5
3.63	La prière c'est pour la paix et le bonheur	1	2	3	4	5
3.64	Même si je suis religieux, je ne laisse pas ma religion affecter ma vie de tous les jours	1	2	3	4	5
3.65	Je vais à l'église pour passer du temps avec mes amis	1	2	3	4	5
3.66	Toute mon approche de la vie est basée sur ma religion	1	2	3	4	5
3.67	Je vais à l'église principalement parce que j'aime voir les personnes que je connais là-bas	1	2	3	4	5
3.68	Je prie particulièrement parce qu'on m'a appris à prier	1	2	3	4	5
3.69	Les prières que je fais quand je suis tout seul sont aussi importantes pour moi que celles que je fais à l'église	1	2	3	4	5
3.70	Même si je crois dans ma religion, beaucoup d'autres choses me sont importantes	1	2	3	4	5

*Instructions:* Est-ce que vous avez souvent fait les choses suivantes ? Encerclez le numéro qui décrit le mieux votre réponse.

- 1 – Jamais    3 – Environ une fois par semaine                      5 – Tous les jours  
2 – Moins d'une fois par mois                      4 – Plus d'une fois par semaine

3.71	Lire la Bible	1	2	3	4	5
3.72	S'engager dans des méditations personnelles	1	2	3	4	5
3.73	Lire les écrits d'Ellen G. White	1	2	3	4	5
3.74	Avoir des cultes de famille ( <i>Des prières ou des méditations religieuses que vous faites en famille en dehors de l'église</i> )	1	2	3	4	5

*C'est très bien et vous avez presque terminé.  
C'est la dernière section de notre enquête.*

#### 4. CE QUI CONCERNE VOTRE CROYANCE

Encerclez le numéro qui décrit le mieux votre réponse. *Choisissez parmi ces réponses.* (Nous n'attendons pas à ce que vous soyez d'accord avec toutes les déclarations suivantes).

1 - Pas d'accord

2- Plus pas d'accord que d'accord

3 – Plus d'accord que pas d'accord

4 – Entièrement d'accord

4.1	Dieu aime tout le monde, et je devrais être en sûreté si je suis une bonne personne moralement	1	2	3	4
4.2	Je crois en un Dieu personnel qui cherche à établir une relation avec les êtres humains	1	2	3	4
4.3	Quand vous y réfléchissez, il y a seulement deux types de personnes dans le monde ; le juste, qui sera récompensé par Dieu, et le reste, qui ne le sera pas	1	2	3	4
4.4	Le Christianisme est à propos de Jésus qui donne le pouvoir de conquérir le péché dans ma vie	1	2	3	4
4.5	Je suis sauvé au moment où je crois et accepte ce qu'a fait Jésus pour moi	1	2	3	4
4.6	Je crois que Jésus est né d'une vierge	1	2	3	4
4.7	L'Eglise Adventiste du septième jour est la vraie église des derniers jours avec un message pour préparer le monde pour le Second Retour de Christ	1	2	3	4
4.8	Il n'y a pas de parties, ou d'ensembles d'Ecritures Bibliques, qui soient complètement sans erreur ou de contradiction	1	2	3	4
4.9	De toutes les personnes sur la terre, un groupe a une relation spéciale avec Dieu	1	2	3	4
4.10	Une relation avec Jésus est importante, mais je n'irai pas au ciel si je n'obéis pas à la loi de Dieu	1	2	3	4
4.11	J'attends que le monde tel que nous le connaissons connaisse une fin dans les prochaines 20 années	1	2	3	4
4.12	Si j'ai été baptisé, j'irai au ciel si je demeure une bonne personne toute ma vie	1	2	3	4
4.13	Je crois que Dieu créa le monde en exactement six jours de 24 heures chacun dans un passé récent	1	2	3	4
4.14	Je crois que Dieu créa le monde	1	2	3	4
4.15	Si je dois être sauvé, j'ai besoin d'être baptisé dans l'Eglise Adventiste du septième jour	1	2	3	4
4.16	L'Eglise Adventiste croit dans la « vérité présente » qui veut dire que les croyances doivent changer avec le temps	1	2	3	4
4.17	Le vrai Sabbat est le samedi, le septième jour	1	2	3	4
4.18	Quand une personne meurt, son corps reste dans la tombe et son esprit dort jusqu'à la résurrection	1	2	3	4
4.19	Je crois que la sorcellerie est réelle et que même les Chrétiens peuvent aller voir les sorciers pour avoir de la protection	1	2	3	4
4.20	Le fait que les hommes de Dieu, tels qu'Abraham, Jacob, David et Salomon, étaient des polygames, montre que Dieu approuve la polygamie.	1	2	3	4

