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Executive Summary

Personal Demographics

The data were gathered from two thousand four hundred thirty-two (2,432) church members in 8 out of 10 unions in the West-Central Africa Division territory. Majority of the respondents were males (62.9%), are not employed in Seventh-day Adventist institutions (80.4%), have at least some secondary/high school education (85.4%), and attended public/government schools in all levels of education. Twenty-seven percent (26.9%) spent at most 10 years in Adventist schools. Age ranges from 15 years or younger to 80 years or older and all levels of education from primary/elementary to professional/graduate school are represented. Close to 11% of the respondents have some form of disability.

Household and Religious Demographics

Fifty-two percent (52%) of the respondents are married and living with spouse and close to 56% have children. Majority have a household size of at least 10 (81.6%) observing the Sabbath (89.7%), and are holding church office in a local church (68.8%). Thirty-two (1.3%) respondents are not baptized members of the SDA church. Forty-one percent (41%) were in church since birth. 40.7% belong to the first generation of Adventists in the family. The longest member was baptized in 1949. Forty-seven (1.9%) were baptized in 2017. Church members in small, medium, and large churches in rural and urban areas are represented.

The most common family religious routines of respondents during their childhood and teenage years are *being close to one or both parents or guardians, having one or both parents or guardians attending church regularly, and praying before meals being a habitual practice in the family*. The least common are *having morning or evening worship with one or more parents being a habitual practice, involvement of family in community service/volunteer activities, and the importance of Adventist education in the family*.

Majority of the respondents grew up in a family with at least one biological or adoptive parent (65.3%). About 40% of the respondents decided by themselves in their decisions about bedtime and choice of friends when they were teenagers.

Religious/Behavior Roles

The four social religious activities more frequently engaged in by the respondents in the last 12 months are: *Attendance in church services, Attendance in Sabbath School, Attendance in prayer meeting at the local church, and Helping with church ministry on Sabbath*.

The five social religious activities less frequently engaged in by the respondents in the last 12 months are: *Receiving a visit from a pastor, Attendance in Pathfinders' meeting, Receiving a visit from a church elder, Attendance in a youth meeting in their area, and Participation in communion service*

The five personal and family religious activities more frequently engaged in by the respondents are: *Having personal prayer (at times other than meals), Reading the Bible, Engaging in personal devotions, Spending time thinking about Jesus' life, and Studying the Sabbath School lesson.*

The five personal and family religious activities less frequently engaged in by the respondents are: *Using the Adventist Review website, Reading a magazine or newsletter from local union or conference. Reading or responding to other Christian social media, Watching Hope Channel programming, and Watching other Adventist television channels or programming.*

Among the programs and initiatives, at least 40% of the church members participated in Revival and Reformation (56.6%) and Total Member Involvement (42%). Least participation is in Centers of Influence (13.8%).

Religious Attitudes and Experiences

The first five most positive religious attitudes and experiences of the respondents are: *Importance that the local church is part of a worldwide church, Pastor(s) is/are qualified to lead the local church, Applying Bible lessons to daily life, Proud of the church and its role and reputation in the community, and Applying Sabbath School lessons to daily life.*

Among the negative religious attitudes and experiences, 40.4% registered agreement that their religion does not affect their daily life.

Close to 42% have no access to Spirit of Prophecy materials. Sermon topics frequently preached by pastors identified by at least 75% of the respondents are Sabbath (76.5%) and second coming of Jesus (84.4%). Seldom preached is the state of the dead.

At least 65% of the respondents perceive that there is a need for the church to increase efforts and for their personal involvement in evangelistic outreach to the local community, in meeting the needs of the local community, in caring for and nurturing church members, and reclaiming former church members.

Close to 54% are very satisfied with their local church, indicating that it is very likely that they will be attending a Seventh-day Adventist Church for the rest of their life (83.3%). 71.8% feel that their life is filled with meaning and purpose. They are positive about Sabbath-keeping.

Well-being

75.5% of the respondents are in a state of happiness (26.7% rather happy and 48.8% very happy). They have a positive spiritual well-being having a sense of gratitude, avoiding anger and bitterness in their heart, and having grown spiritually over the past 12 months.

Beliefs

At least 80% of the respondents are in agreement to various Seventh-day Adventist beliefs. 36.6% believe that different regions of the world should be allowed to set their own policies in order to meet differing needs.

Some church members still believe in other religious beliefs such as: *The soul is a separate, spiritual part of a person and lives on after death (34%), Christians may go to witch doctors or spiritual healers for protection or healing (14.1%), People who have died believing in Christ are in heaven right now (17.4%), and The dead have powers to communicate with and influence the living (12.5%).*

41% have the understanding that Ellen G. White copied what God told her word for word, and wrote without being influenced by her own place and time. More or less 13% either do not accept or have major doubts/some questions about some individual teachings of the SDA church: *The investigative pre-Advent judgment began in 1844 and Ellen G. White was a prophet.*

Health

67.1% of the respondents eat meat and 10.7% are vegans/vegetarians. 37.7% are committed to follow the Adventist Health Message a great deal. 28% believe that they can choose which parts of the Health Message to follow and which to ignore. 53.5% believe that following the health message ensures their salvation.

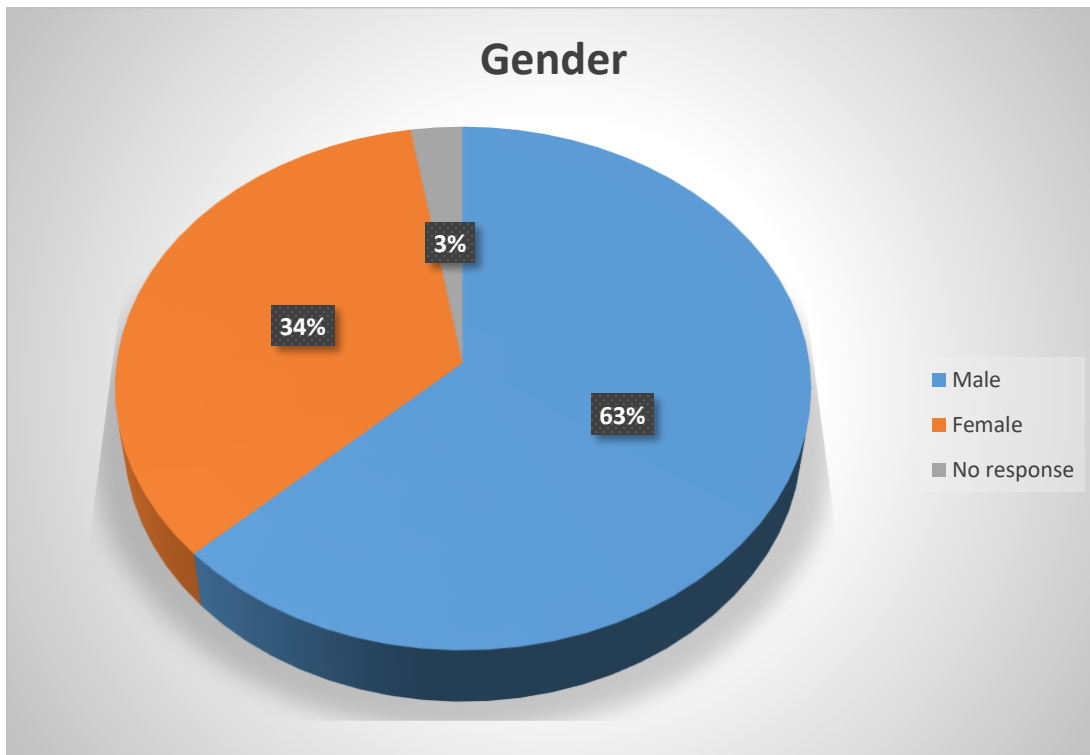
Total Number of Respondents by Unions

	Frequency	Percent
Cameroon Union Mission	340	14.0
Eastern Sahel Union Mission	480	19.7
Northern Ghana Union Mission	357	14.7
Northern Nigeria Union Conference	270	11.1
Southern Ghana Union Conference	380	15.6
West African Union Mission	178	7.3
Western Nigeria Union Conference	392	16.1
Western Sahel Union Mission	35	1.4
Total	2432	100.0

SECTION 1: PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Gender

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Male	1530	62.9	64.6
Female	838	34.5	35.4
Total	2368	97.4	100.0
No response	64	2.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

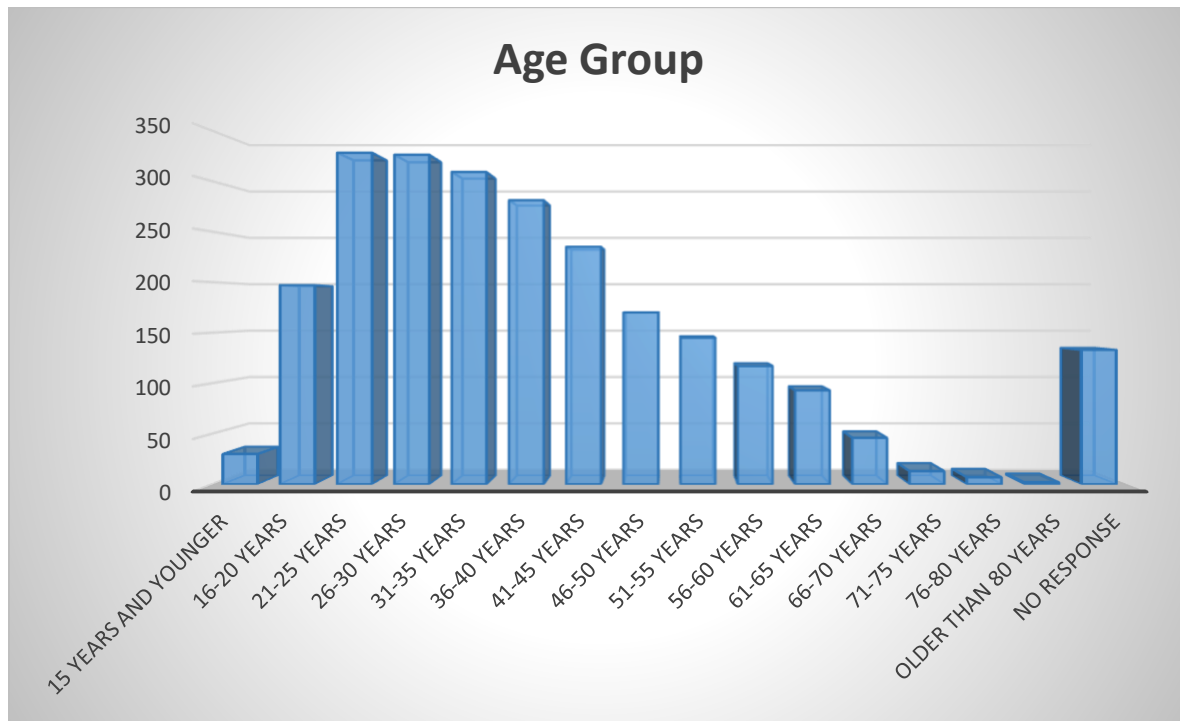


Year of Birth

The oldest respondent was born in 1935 and the youngest was born in 2005, an age range of between 12 years and 82 years old in 2017.

Age Group

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
15 years and younger	30	1.2	1.3
16-20 years	197	8.1	8.6
21-25 years	328	13.5	14.3
26-30 years	326	13.4	14.2
31-35 years	309	12.7	13.4
36-40 years	281	11.6	12.2
41-45 years	235	9.7	10.2
46-50 years	170	7.0	7.4
51-55 years	145	6.0	6.3
56-60 years	117	4.8	5.1
61-65 years	93	3.8	4.0
66-70 years	46	1.9	2.0
71-75 years	13	.5	.6
76-80 years	7	.3	.3
older than 80 years	2	.1	.1
Total	2299	94.5	100.0
No response	133	5.5	
Total	2432	100.0	



Disability

	Frequency	Percent
No disability and not deaf	2047	84.2
Deaf	24	1.0
With mobility disability	45	1.9
With hearing disability	38	1.6
With visual disability	50	2.1
With cognitive or learning disability	32	1.3
With speaking or speech disability	25	1.0
Other disability	44	1.8

Employment in Seventh-day Adventist Church Institution

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Employed in the past, but not currently	223	9.2	9.6
Employed currently	357	14.7	15.4
Never employed	1732	71.2	74.9
Total	2312	95.1	100.0
No response	120	4.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Highest Level of Schooling

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never attended school	63	2.6	2.7
Some elementary/primary school	61	2.5	2.6
Elementary/primary school only	142	5.8	6.1
Elementary/primary and some high/secondary school	376	15.5	16.0
High/secondary school graduate	413	17.0	17.6
Some college or university	273	11.2	11.7
College or university	649	26.7	27.7
Graduate school or professional school graduate	366	15.0	15.6
Total	2343	96.3	100.0
No response	89	3.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Type of School Attendance

Elementary/Primary

	Frequency	Percent
Seventh-day Adventist school	415	17.1
Home school	31	1.3
Other religious school	228	9.4
Public/government school	1096	45.1
Private school	299	12.3

High/Secondary School

	Frequency	Percent
Seventh-day Adventist school	314	12.9
Home school	22	.9
Other religious school	212	8.7
Public/government school	1069	44.0
Private school	239	9.8

College/University

	Frequency	Percent
Seventh-day Adventist school	179	7.4
Home school	6	.2
Other religious school	54	2.2
Public/government school	785	32.3
Private school	116	4.8

Professional/Graduate

	Frequency	Percent
Seventh-day Adventist school	26	1.1
Home school	5	.2
Other religious school	13	.5
Public/government school	184	7.6
Private school	75	3.1

Total Number of Years Spent in Adventist Schools

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
No Adventist schooling	122	5.0	13.4
1-5 years	349	14.4	38.3
6-10 years	305	12.5	33.5
11-15 years	108	4.4	11.9
16-20 years	27	1.1	3.0
Total	911	37.5	100.0
No response	1521	62.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

SECTION 2: HOUSEHOLD AND RELIGIOUS DEMOGRAPHICS

Household Size

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
1-5	964	39.6	41.6
6-10	1026	42.2	44.2
11-15	230	9.5	9.9
16-20	100	4.1	4.3
Total	2320	95.4	100.0
No response	112	4.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Household Sabbath Attendance

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
1-5	1349	55.5	58.7
6-10	830	34.1	36.1
11-15	98	4.0	4.3
16-20	22	.9	1.0
Total	2299	94.5	100.0
No response	133	5.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Marital Status

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Married and living with spouse	1264	52.0	53.0
Never married/single	885	36.4	37.1
Divorced and single	125	5.1	5.2
Separated	43	1.8	1.8
Widowed	69	2.8	2.9
Total	2386	98.1	100.0
No response	46	1.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

About Children

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
With children, at least one child or teenager at home	1169	48.1	50.6
With children, but none is a child or teenager living at home	179	7.4	7.7
No children	964	39.6	41.7
Total	2312	95.1	100.0
No response	120	4.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Living Children

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
1	236	9.7	17.3
2	283	11.6	20.7
3	291	12.0	21.3
4	240	9.9	17.5
5	136	5.6	9.9
6	82	3.4	6.0
7	40	1.6	2.9
8	28	1.2	2.0
9	15	.6	1.1
10	10	.4	.7
11	4	.2	.3
12	3	.1	.2
Total	1368	56.3	100.0
No response	1064	43.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Seventh-day Adventist Children

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
0	19	.8	1.5
1	258	10.6	19.8
2	290	11.9	22.3
3	278	11.4	21.4
4	205	8.4	15.8
5	123	5.1	9.5
6	65	2.7	5.0
7	28	1.2	2.2
8	17	.7	1.3
9	9	.4	.7
10	4	.2	.3
11	4	.2	.3
Total	1300	53.5	100.0
No response	1132	46.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Self-identification as Seventh-day Adventist

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Yes	2347	96.5	98.2
No	44	1.8	1.8
Total	2391	98.3	100.0
No response	41	1.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Year of Baptism in the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Thirty-two (1.3%) respondents are not baptized members of the SDA church. The longest member was baptized in 1949. Forty-seven (1.9%) were baptized in 2017.

Range of Years as Baptized SDA

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
less than 1 year	47	1.9	2.1
1-10 years	698	28.7	31.8
11-20 years	672	27.6	30.7
21-30 years	426	17.5	19.4
31-40 years	252	10.4	11.5
41-50 years	71	2.9	3.2
51-60 years	22	.9	1.0
61-70 years	4	.2	.2
Total	2192	90.1	100.0
No response	240	9.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Personal History with SDA Church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Joined as adult	689	28.3	28.9
Joined as teenager	386	15.9	16.2
Grew up in the church but left and returned	80	3.3	3.4
Joined as a child	229	9.4	9.6
In church since birth	1003	41.2	42.0
Total	2387	98.1	100.0
No response	45	1.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Family History with SDA Church

	Frequency	Percent
First generation of Adventists in my family	990	40.7
At least one of my parents is/was SDA	753	31.0
At least one of my grandparents is/was SDA	285	11.7
At least one of my great-grandparents is/was SDA	106	4.4
My family has been SDA for five generations or more	465	19.1

Holding Church Office at Local Church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Yes	1672	68.8	70.9
No	686	28.2	29.1
Total	2358	97.0	100.0
No response	74	3.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Type of Church Attended by the Respondents

Church Attendance on a Typical Sabbath

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Less than 25	139	5.7	6.0
25-50	414	17.0	17.9
51-100	581	23.9	25.1
101-150	432	17.8	18.7
151-200	177	7.3	7.7
201-300	146	6.0	6.3
301-400	168	6.9	7.3
401-500	111	4.6	4.8
501-1000	117	4.8	5.1
1001-2000	13	.5	.6
More than 2000	14	.6	.6
Total	2312	95.1	100.0
No response	120	4.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Church Membership Size

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Less than 25	79	3.2	3.5
25-50	295	12.1	13.0
51-100	528	21.7	23.3
101-150	333	13.7	14.7
151-200	284	11.7	12.5
201-300	239	9.8	10.5
301-400	158	6.5	7.0
401-500	109	4.5	4.8
501-1000	170	7.0	7.5
1001-2000	48	2.0	2.1
More than 2000	23	.9	1.0
Total	2266	93.2	100.0
No response	166	6.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Setting of Church Location

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Downtown	895	36.8	38.1
Elsewhere in a large city	365	15.0	15.5
Suburb	317	13.0	13.5
Smaller city	135	5.6	5.7
Town/village	447	18.4	19.0
Rural area	191	7.9	8.1
Total	2350	96.6	100.0
No response	82	3.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Proximity of the Church to an Adventist Institution

	Frequency	Percent
No	1274	52.4
An educational institution	741	30.5
A medical institution	135	5.6
A church organizational office	438	18.0
Some other church institution	80	3.3

Family Religious Routines (Childhood and Teenage Years – ages 5 to 19)

The most common family religious routines of respondents during their childhood and teenage years are *being close to one or both parents or guardians, having one or both parents or guardians attending church regularly, and praying before meals being a habitual practice in the family*. The least common are *having morning or evening worship with one or more parents being a habitual practice, involvement of family in community service/volunteer activities, and the importance of Adventist education in the family*.

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation
I am very close to one or both parents or guardians	2125	4.19	.979
One or both of my parents or guardians attended church regularly	2008	4.19	1.101
Praying before meals was a habitual practice in my family	2044	4.17	1.043
I was able to talk about one or both of my parents about religious issues	1994	3.98	1.001
Bible reading was habitual practice in my family	2003	3.87	1.125
Having morning or evening worship with one more parents was a habitual practice in my family	1919	3.74	1.192
Adventist education was an important factor in family	1877	3.72	1.256
Our family was involved in community service/volunteer activities	1885	3.72	1.063

Note: The option NOT APPLICABLE was treated as missing in the computation of the mean.

I am very close to one or both parents or guardians.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	151	6.2	6.6
Strongly Disagree	69	2.8	3.0
Disagree	111	4.6	4.9
I Am Not Sure	106	4.4	4.7
Agree	897	36.9	39.4
Strongly Agree	942	38.7	41.4
Total	2276	93.6	100.0
No response	156	6.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Our family was involved in community service/volunteer activities.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	301	12.4	13.8
Strongly Disagree	80	3.3	3.7
Disagree	203	8.3	9.3
I Am Not Sure	319	13.1	14.6
Agree	852	35.0	39.0
Strongly Agree	431	17.7	19.7
Total	2186	89.9	100.0
No response	246	10.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I was able to talk about one or both of my parents about religious issues.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	217	8.9	9.8
Strongly Disagree	50	2.1	2.3
Disagree	176	7.2	8.0
I Am Not Sure	196	8.1	8.9
Agree	922	37.9	41.7
Strongly Agree	650	26.7	29.4
Total	2211	90.9	100.0
No response	221	9.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Bible reading was habitual practice in my family.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	249	10.2	11.1
Strongly Disagree	86	3.5	3.8
Disagree	230	9.5	10.2
I Am Not Sure	212	8.7	9.4
Agree	813	33.4	36.1
Strongly Agree	662	27.2	29.4
Total	2252	92.6	100.0
No response	180	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Praying before meals was a habitual practice in my family.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	205	8.4	9.1
Strongly Disagree	67	2.8	3.0
Disagree	151	6.2	6.7
I Am Not Sure	110	4.5	4.9
Agree	748	30.8	33.3
Strongly Agree	968	39.8	43.0
Total	2249	92.5	100.0
No response	183	7.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Having morning or evening worship with one more parents was a habitual practice in my family.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	316	13.0	14.1
Strongly Disagree	104	4.3	4.7
Disagree	269	11.1	12.0
I Am Not Sure	248	10.2	11.1
Agree	702	28.9	31.4
Strongly Agree	596	24.5	26.7
Total	2235	91.9	100.0
No response	197	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

One or both of my parents or guardians attended church regularly.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	230	9.5	10.3
Strongly Disagree	74	3.0	3.3
Disagree	176	7.2	7.9
I Am Not Sure	90	3.7	4.0
Agree	621	25.5	27.7
Strongly Agree	1047	43.1	46.8
Total	2238	92.0	100.0
No response	194	8.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Adventist education was an important factor in family.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	357	14.7	16.0
Strongly Disagree	129	5.3	5.8
Disagree	268	11.0	12.0
I Am Not Sure	239	9.8	10.7
Agree	606	24.9	27.1
Strongly Agree	635	26.1	28.4
Total	2234	91.9	100.0
No response	198	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Description of Family Situation

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Biological or adoptive family	1589	65.3	76.7
Foster family or institution	171	7.0	8.3
Some other situation	311	12.8	15.0
Total	2071	85.2	100.0
No response	361	14.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Parenting Style (How decisions were made as a teenager – 13 to 19 years)

Kind of media used

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	534	22.0	23.6
Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Decided	441	18.1	19.5
Both Parent(s) & Myself	503	20.7	22.2
Decided for Myself	783	32.2	34.6
Total	2261	93.0	100.0
No response	171	7.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Bedtime

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	162	6.7	7.2
Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Decided	552	22.7	24.7
Both Parent(s) & Myself	638	26.2	28.5
Decided for Myself	887	36.5	39.6
Total	2239	92.1	100.0
No response	193	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Friends

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not Applicable	217	8.9	9.7
Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Decided	379	15.6	17.0
Both Parent(s) & Myself	657	27.0	29.4
Decided for Myself	978	40.2	43.8
Total	2231	91.7	100.0
No response	201	8.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

SECTION 3: RELIGIOUS BEHAVIOR/ROLES

Frequency of Engagement in Social Religious Activities in the Last 12 Months

The four social religious activities more frequently engaged in by the respondents in the last 12 months are:

- Attendance in church services
- Attendance in Sabbath School
- Attendance in prayer meeting at the local church
- Helping with church ministry on Sabbath

The five social religious activities less frequently engaged in by the respondents in the last 12 months are:

- Receiving a visit from a pastor
- Attendance in Pathfinders' meeting
- Receiving a visit from a church elder
- Attendance in a youth meeting in their area
- Participation in communion service

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation
Attended church services	2347	4.90	1.270
Attended Sabbath School	2338	4.66	1.102
Attended a prayer meeting and the local church	2285	4.00	1.714
Helped with a church ministry on Sabbath	2199	3.48	1.831
Helped with church ministry during the week	2160	3.17	1.993
Attended a small group	2216	3.14	2.092
Supported another church member to grow spiritually	2293	3.12	1.941
Spent time forming new friendships with non-Adventists in my community	2240	2.94	1.965
Ate with members of church other than family	2249	2.89	1.817
Witnessed to non-Adventists in my community	2245	2.87	1.930
Received a visit from church member	2244	2.75	1.888
Spent time meeting the needs of non-Adventists in my community	2237	2.63	1.960
Attended a public evangelistic meeting in my area	2188	2.42	2188
Participated in communion service	2257	2.22	1.411
Attended a youth meeting in my area	2102	1.99	2.049
Received a visit from church elder	2256	1.85	1.779
Attended a Pathfinders' meeting	2094	1.79	2.054
Received a visit from pastor	2255	1.67	1.758

Attended church services

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	40	1.6	1.7
Only once or twice	50	2.1	2.1
At least once a quarter	62	2.5	2.6
Once a month	57	2.3	2.4
Almost every week	382	15.7	16.3
Every week	917	37.7	39.1
More than once a week	839	34.5	35.7
Total	2347	96.5	100.0
No response	85	3.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended Sabbath School

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	45	1.9	1.9
Only once or twice	45	1.9	1.9
At least once a quarter	42	1.7	1.8
Once a month	43	1.8	1.8
Almost every week	453	18.6	19.4
Every week	1445	59.4	61.8
More than once a week	265	10.9	11.3
Total	2338	96.1	100.0
No response	94	3.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended a small group organized through my church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	463	19.0	20.9
Only once or twice	178	7.3	8.0
At least once a quarter	174	7.2	7.9
Once a month	203	8.3	9.2
Almost every week	376	15.5	17.0
Every week	618	25.4	27.9
More than once a week	204	8.4	9.2
Total	2216	91.1	100.0
No response	216	8.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended a prayer meeting at my local church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	143	5.9	6.3
Only once or twice	166	6.8	7.3
At least once a quarter	155	6.4	6.8
Once a month	153	6.3	6.7
Almost every week	452	18.6	19.8
Every week	902	37.1	39.5
More than once a week	314	12.9	13.7
Total	2285	94.0	100.0
No response	147	6.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended a public evangelistic meeting in my area

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	412	16.9	18.8
Only once or twice	342	14.1	15.6
At least once a quarter	566	23.3	25.9
Once a month	254	10.4	11.6
Almost every week	186	7.6	8.5
Every week	259	10.6	11.8
More than once a week	169	6.9	7.7
Total	2188	90.0	100.0
No response	244	10.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended a youth meeting in my area

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	822	33.8	39.1
Only once or twice	260	10.7	12.4
At least once a quarter	219	9.0	10.4
Once a month	211	8.7	10.0
Almost every week	204	8.4	9.7
Every week	276	11.3	13.1
More than once a week	110	4.5	5.2
Total	2102	86.4	100.0
No response	330	13.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Attended a Pathfinders' meeting

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	967	39.8	46.2
Only once or twice	214	8.8	10.2
At least once a quarter	209	8.6	10.0
Once a month	180	7.4	8.6
Almost every week	161	6.6	7.7
Every week	255	10.5	12.2
More than once a week	108	4.4	5.2
Total	2094	86.1	100.0
No response	338	13.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Participated in communion service

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	229	9.4	10.1
Only once or twice	253	10.4	11.2
At least once a quarter	1257	51.7	55.7
Once a month	177	7.3	7.8
Almost every week	98	4.0	4.3
Every week	147	6.0	6.5
More than once a week	96	3.9	4.3
Total	2257	92.8	100.0
No response	175	7.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Ate with members of the church other than my family

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	229	9.4	10.2
Only once or twice	351	14.4	15.6
At least once a quarter	513	21.1	22.8
Once a month	243	10.0	10.8
Almost every week	312	12.8	13.9
Every week	451	18.5	20.1
More than once a week	150	6.2	6.7
Total	2249	92.5	100.0
No response	183	7.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Helped with a church ministry on Sabbath

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	197	8.1	9.0
Only once or twice	229	9.4	10.4
At least once a quarter	268	11.0	12.2
Once a month	218	9.0	9.9
Almost every week	380	15.6	17.3
Every week	725	29.8	33.0
More than once a week	182	7.5	8.3
Total	2199	90.4	100.0
No response	233	9.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Helped with a church ministry during the week

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	305	12.5	14.1
Only once or twice	298	12.3	13.8
At least once a quarter	204	8.4	9.4
Once a month	249	10.2	11.5
Almost every week	344	14.1	15.9
Every week	537	22.1	24.9
More than once a week	223	9.2	10.3
Total	2160	88.8	100.0
No response	272	11.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Received a visit from my pastor

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	807	33.2	35.8
Only once or twice	453	18.6	20.1
At least once a quarter	373	15.3	16.5
Once a month	259	10.6	11.5
Almost every week	130	5.3	5.8
Every week	139	5.7	6.2
More than once a week	94	3.9	4.2
Total	2255	92.7	100.0
No response	177	7.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Received a visit from a church elder

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	670	27.5	29.7
Only once or twice	504	20.7	22.3
At least once a quarter	375	15.4	16.6
Once a month	280	11.5	12.4
Almost every week	172	7.1	7.6
Every week	149	6.1	6.6
More than once a week	106	4.4	4.7
Total	2256	92.8	100.0
No response	176	7.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Received a visit from a church member

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	318	13.1	14.2
Only once or twice	406	16.7	18.1
At least once a quarter	348	14.3	15.5
Once a month	293	12.0	13.1
Almost every week	393	16.2	17.5
Every week	293	12.0	13.1
More than once a week	193	7.9	8.6
Total	2244	92.3	100.0
No response	188	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Witnessed to non-Adventists in my community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	279	11.5	12.4
Only once or twice	416	17.1	18.5
At least once a quarter	341	14.0	15.2
Once a month	302	12.4	13.5
Almost every week	359	14.8	16.0
Every week	282	11.6	12.6
More than once a week	266	10.9	11.8
Total	2245	92.3	100.0
No response	187	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Spent time forming new friendships with non-Adventists in my community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	289	11.9	12.9
Only once or twice	402	16.5	17.9
At least once a quarter	285	11.7	12.7
Once a month	319	13.1	14.2
Almost every week	360	14.8	16.1
Every week	293	12.0	13.1
More than once a week	292	12.0	13.0
Total	2240	92.1	100.0
No response	192	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Spent time meeting the needs of non-Adventists in my community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	388	16.0	17.3
Only once or twice	436	17.9	19.5
At least once a quarter	303	12.5	13.5
Once a month	295	12.1	13.2
Almost every week	342	14.1	15.3
Every week	249	10.2	11.1
More than once a week	224	9.2	10.0
Total	2237	92.0	100.0
No response	195	8.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Supported another church member to grow spiritually

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	240	9.9	10.5
Only once or twice	398	16.4	17.4
At least once a quarter	273	11.2	11.9
Once a month	298	12.3	13.0
Almost every week	392	16.1	17.1
Every week	395	16.2	17.2
More than once a week	297	12.2	13.0
Total	2293	94.3	100.0
No response	139	5.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Frequency of Engagement in Personal and Family Religious Activities

The five personal and family religious activities more frequently engaged in by the respondents are:

- Having personal prayer (at times other than meals)
- Reading the Bible
- Engaging in personal devotions
- Spending time thinking about Jesus' life
- Studying the Sabbath School lesson

The five personal and family religious activities less frequently engaged in by the respondents are:

- Using the Adventist Review website
- Reading a magazine or newsletter from local union or conference
- Reading or responding to other Christian social media
- Watching Hope Channel programming
- Watching other Adventist television channels or programming

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation
Have personal prayer	2280	3.36	1.046
Read the Bible	2357	3.31	.946
Engage in personal devotions	2321	3.27	1.049
Spend time thinking about Jesus' life	2306	3.15	1.158
Study the Sabbath School lesson	2293	2.97	1.159
Have morning or evening worships with members of my family	2275	2.70	1.514
Use a mobile device for Bible study or personal devotions	2253	1.98	1.632
Read religious writing by Adventist authors	2219	1.94	2219
Use social media for any purpose	2210	1.68	1.607
Read the writings of Ellen G. White	2252	1.66	1.324
Listen to other Christian radio broadcast	2252	1.59	1.354
Listen to an Adventist radio broadcast	2219	1.53	1.371
Watch other Christian television programs	2221	1.47	1.343
Use a mobile device for Ellen White's writings	2252	1.41	1.565
Read religious writings by other Christian authors	2227	1.39	1.175
Read Adventist World magazine or website	2240	1.29	1.192
Read or respond to Adventist social media	2218	1.13	1.391
Watch other Adventist television channels or programming	2218	1.11	1.326
Watch Hope Channel programming	2213	1.01	1.349
Read or respond to other Christian social media	2206	1.00	1.327
Read a magazine or newsletter from my local union or conference	2214	.85	1.103
Use the Adventist Review website	2186	.65	1.070

Read the Bible

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	38	1.6	1.6
Less than Once a Month	100	4.1	4.2
About Once a Week	274	11.3	11.6
More than Once a Week	626	25.7	26.6
Daily or More than Once a Day	1319	54.2	56.0
Total	2357	96.9	100.0
No response	75	3.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Engage in personal devotions

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	71	2.9	3.1
Less than Once a Month	122	5.0	5.3
About Once a Week	254	10.4	10.9
More than Once a Week	526	21.6	22.7
Daily or More than Once a Day	1348	55.4	58.1
Total	2321	95.4	100.0
No response	111	4.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Study the Sabbath School lesson

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	124	5.1	5.4
Less than Once a Month	139	5.7	6.1
About Once a Week	409	16.8	17.8
More than Once a Week	620	25.5	27.0
Daily or More than Once a Day	1001	41.2	43.7
Total	2293	94.3	100.0
No response	139	5.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read the writings of Ellen G. White

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	500	20.6	19.2
Less than Once a Month	689	28.3	31.8
About Once a Week	422	17.4	19.6
More than Once a Week	350	14.4	16.2
Daily or More than Once a Day	291	12.0	13.2
Total	2252	92.6	100.0
No response	180	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Have morning or evening worship with members of my family

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	356	14.6	15.6
Less than Once a Month	221	9.1	9.7
About Once a Week	259	10.6	11.4
More than Once a Week	361	14.8	15.9
Daily or More than Once a Day	1078	44.3	47.4
Total	2275	93.5	100.0
No response	157	6.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Have personal prayer (at times other than meals)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	62	2.5	2.7
Less than Once a Month	134	5.5	5.9
About Once a Week	211	8.7	9.3
More than Once a Week	393	16.2	17.2
Daily or More than Once a Day	1480	60.9	64.9
Total	2280	93.8	100.0
No response	152	6.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read religious writings by Adventist authors

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	315	13.0	14.2
Less than Once a Month	659	27.1	29.7
About Once a Week	461	19.0	20.8
More than Once a Week	422	17.4	19.0
Daily or More than Once a Day	362	14.9	16.3
Total	2219	91.2	100.0
No response	213	8.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read religious writings by other Christian authors

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	505	20.8	22.7
Less than Once a Month	945	38.9	42.4
About Once a Week	361	14.8	16.2
More than Once a Week	240	9.9	10.8
Daily or More than Once a Day	176	7.2	7.9
Total	2227	91.6	100.0
No response	205	8.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read *Adventist World* magazine

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	633	26.0	28.3
Less than Once a Month	890	36.6	39.7
About Once a Week	305	12.5	13.6
More than Once a Week	255	10.5	11.4
Daily or More than Once a Day	157	6.5	7.0
Total	2240	92.1	100.0
No response	192	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Use the *Adventist Review* website

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1400	57.6	64.0
Less than Once a Month	424	17.4	19.4
About Once a Week	163	6.7	7.5
More than Once a Week	118	4.9	5.4
Daily or More than Once a Day	81	3.3	3.7
Total	2186	89.9	100.0
No response	246	10.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read a magazine or newsletter from my local union or conference

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1104	45.4	49.9
Less than Once a Month	666	27.4	30.1
About Once a Week	212	8.7	9.6
More than Once a Week	133	5.5	6.0
Daily or More than Once a Day	99	4.1	4.5
Total	2214	91.0	100.0
No response	218	9.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read or respond to Adventist social media

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1093	44.9	49.3
Less than Once a Month	439	18.1	19.8
About Once a Week	240	9.9	10.8
More than Once a Week	204	8.4	9.2
Daily or More than Once a Day	242	10.0	10.9
Total	2218	91.2	100.0
No response	214	8.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Read or respond to other Christian social media

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1171	48.1	53.1
Less than Once a Month	443	18.2	20.1
About Once a Week	219	9.0	9.9
More than Once a Week	173	7.1	7.8
Daily or More than Once a Day	200	8.2	9.1
Total	2206	90.7	100.0
No response	226	9.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Use social media for any purpose

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	838	34.5	37.9
Less than Once a Month	310	12.7	14.0
About Once a Week	267	11.0	12.1
More than Once a Week	305	12.5	13.8
Daily or More than Once a Day	490	20.1	22.2
Total	2210	90.9	100.0
No response	222	9.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Listen to an Adventist radio broadcast

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	690	28.4	31.1
Less than Once a Month	504	20.7	22.7
About Once a Week	444	18.3	20.0
More than Once a Week	313	12.9	14.1
Daily or More than Once a Day	268	11.0	12.1
Total	2219	91.2	100.0
No response	213	8.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Listen to other Christian radio broadcasts

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	613	25.2	27.2
Less than Once a Month	602	24.8	26.7
About Once a Week	425	17.5	18.9
More than Once a Week	330	13.6	14.7
Daily or More than Once a Day	282	11.6	12.5
Total	2252	92.6	100.0
No response	180	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Watch Hope Channel programming

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1200	49.3	54.2
Less than Once a Month	401	16.5	18.1
About Once a Week	207	8.5	9.4
More than Once a Week	205	8.4	9.3
Daily or More than Once a Day	200	8.2	9.0
Total	2213	91.0	100.0
No response	219	9.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Watch other Adventist television channels or programming

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1061	43.6	47.8
Less than Once a Month	459	18.9	20.7
About Once a Week	279	11.5	12.6
More than Once a Week	237	9.7	10.7
Daily or More than Once a Day	182	7.5	8.2
Total	2218	91.2	100.0
No response	214	8.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Watch other Christian television programs

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	657	27.0	29.6
Less than Once a Month	658	27.1	29.6
About Once a Week	378	15.5	17.0
More than Once a Week	258	10.6	11.6
Daily or More than Once a Day	270	11.1	12.2
Total	2221	91.3	100.0
No response	211	8.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Use a mobile device like a cell phone or tablet for Bible study or personal devotions

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	708	29.1	31.4
Less than Once a Month	271	11.1	12.0
About Once a Week	260	10.7	11.5
More than Once a Week	386	15.9	17.1
Daily or More than Once a Day	628	25.8	27.9
Total	2253	92.6	100.0
No response	179	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Use a mobile device like a cell phone or tablet for reading Ellen White's writings

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	1026	42.2	45.6
Less than Once a Month	344	14.1	15.3
About Once a Week	218	9.0	9.7
More than Once a Week	267	11.0	11.9
Daily or More than Once a Day	397	16.3	17.6
Total	2252	92.6	100.0
No response	180	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Spend time thinking about Jesus' life

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	89	3.7	3.9
Less than Once a Month	196	8.1	8.5
About Once a Week	279	11.5	12.1
More than Once a Week	463	19.0	20.1
Daily or More than Once a Day	1279	52.6	55.5
Total	2306	94.8	100.0
No response	126	5.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Awareness of Programs and Initiatives

Reach the World Strategic Plan 2015-2020

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	917	37.7	41.3
I have heard of this program, but not participated	751	30.9	33.8
I have participated in the program	552	22.7	24.9
Total	2220	91.3	100.0
No response	212	8.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Total Member Involvement

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	478	19.7	21.8
I have heard of this program, but not participated	688	28.3	31.4
I have participated in the program	1022	42.0	46.7
Total	2188	90.0	100.0
No response	244	10.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Revival and Reformation

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	268	11.0	12.0
I have heard of this program, but not participated	594	24.4	26.5
I have participated in the program	1377	56.6	61.5
Total	2239	92.1	100.0
No response	193	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Mission to the Cities

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	705	29.0	32.3
I have heard of this program, but not participated	847	34.8	38.8
I have participated in the program	629	25.9	28.8
Total	2181	89.7	100.0
No response	251	10.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Centers of Influence

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	1196	49.2	55.6
I have heard of this program, but not participated	622	25.6	28.9
I have participated in the program	335	13.8	15.6
Total	2153	88.5	100.0
No response	279	11.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Christ's Method of Reaching People

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	595	24.5	26.9
I have heard of this program, but not participated	733	30.1	33.2
I have participated in the program	880	36.2	39.9
Total	2208	90.8	100.0
No response	224	9.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Comprehensive Health Ministries

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I have not heard of this program	664	27.3	30.3
I have heard of this program, but not participated	836	34.4	38.2
I have participated in the program	691	28.4	31.5
Total	2191	90.1	100.0
No response	241	9.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

SECTION 4: RELIGIOUS ATTITUDES AND EXPERIENCES

The first five most positive religious attitudes and experiences of the respondents are:

- Importance that the local church is part of a worldwide church.
- Pastor(s) is/are qualified to lead the local church.
- Applying Bible lessons to daily life.
- Proud of the church and its role and reputation in the community.
- Applying Sabbath School lessons to daily life.

Among the negative religious attitudes and experiences, 40.4% registered agreement that their religion does not affect their daily life.

	N	Mean	Std. Deviation
Important that the local church is part worldwide church	2276	4.39	.814
Pastor(s) well qualified to lead	2284	4.19	.878
Apply Bible to daily life	2288	4.18	.804
Proud of church role and reputation	2284	4.18	.899
Apply Sabbath School lessons to daily life	2283	4.12	.831
Lay leaders well qualified to lead	2290	4.05	.838
Pastor(s) and lay leaders work together well	2286	4.04	.928
Other people care	2296	4.02	.861
Youth are actively involved in mission	2292	4.01	.896
Pastor cares	2304	3.91	1.016
Local church offers training on Christ's method of evangelism	2282	3.87	1.071
Conference has a program for preparing young leaders	2282	3.86	.975
Church has program for preparing young leaders	2262	3.85	.964
Local church offers training on nurture and discipling	2262	3.85	.964
Youth play an important role in decision-making in local church	2294	3.83	.977
Union has program for preparing young leaders	2267	3.82	.953
Apply Ellen White's writings to daily life	2267	3.77	1.054
Sabbath School teachers care	2278	3.76	1.032
Local church has ability to communicate across cultures	2248	3.67	1.036
Church offers training on conflict resolution	2251	3.51	1.079
Church plans activities for family	2236	3.37	1.202
Although I am religious, it does not affect my daily life	2213	2.99	1.339

My Sabbath school teachers or leaders care about me.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	122	5.0	5.4
Disagree	155	6.4	6.8
I Am Not Sure	350	14.4	15.4
Agree	1165	47.9	51.1
Strongly Agree	486	20.0	21.3
Total	2278	93.7	100.0
No response	154	6.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

My pastor cares about me.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	109	4.5	4.7
Disagree	127	5.2	5.5
I Am Not Sure	261	10.7	11.3
Agree	1161	47.7	50.4
Strongly Agree	646	26.6	28.0
Total	2304	94.7	100.0
No response	128	5.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Other people in my church care about me.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	57	2.3	2.5
Disagree	89	3.7	3.9
I Am Not Sure	222	9.1	9.7
Agree	1318	54.2	57.4
Strongly Agree	610	25.1	26.6
Total	2296	94.4	100.0
No response	136	5.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	58	2.4	2.5
Disagree	73	3.0	3.2
I Am Not Sure	191	7.9	8.4
Agree	1050	43.2	46.0
Strongly Agree	912	37.5	39.9
Total	2284	93.9	100.0
No response	148	6.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I attend a church that plans activities for everyone in my family.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	193	7.9	8.6
Disagree	401	16.5	17.9
I Am Not Sure	410	16.9	18.3
Agree	858	35.3	38.4
Strongly Agree	374	15.4	16.7
Total	2236	91.9	100.0
No response	196	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

It is important to me that my local church is part of a worldwide church.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	45	1.9	2.0
Disagree	43	1.8	1.9
I Am Not Sure	84	3.5	3.7
Agree	904	37.2	39.7
Strongly Agree	1200	49.3	52.7
Total	2276	93.6	100.0
No response	156	6.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

The pastor(s) and lay leaders in my church work together well as a team.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	57	2.3	2.5
Disagree	100	4.1	4.4
I Am Not Sure	297	12.2	13.0
Agree	1071	44.0	46.9
Strongly Agree	761	31.3	33.3
Total	2286	94.0	100.0
No response	146	6.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

My pastor(s) is/are qualified to lead my local church.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	45	1.9	2.0
Disagree	85	3.5	3.7
I Am Not Sure	176	7.2	7.7
Agree	1054	43.3	46.1
Strongly Agree	924	38.0	40.5
Total	2284	93.9	100.0
No response	148	6.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

My lay leaders are well qualified to lead my local church.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	36	1.5	1.6
Disagree	87	3.6	3.8
I Am Not Sure	278	11.4	12.1
Agree	1225	50.4	53.5
Strongly Agree	664	27.3	29.0
Total	2290	94.2	100.0
No response	142	5.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Youth and young adults play an important role in decision-making in my local church.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	67	2.8	2.9
Disagree	172	7.1	7.5
I Am Not Sure	404	16.6	17.6
Agree	1091	44.9	47.6
Strongly Agree	560	23.0	24.4
Total	2294	94.3	100.0
No response	138	5.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Youth and young adults are actively involved in carrying out the mission of my local church.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	56	2.3	2.4
Disagree	106	4.4	4.6
I Am Not Sure	250	10.3	10.9
Agree	1217	50.0	53.1
Strongly Agree	663	27.3	28.9
Total	2292	94.2	100.0
No response	140	5.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

My local church has a program for preparing young people to become leaders.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	94	3.9	4.1
Disagree	168	6.9	7.4
I Am Not Sure	331	13.6	14.5
Agree	1078	44.3	47.3
Strongly Agree	610	25.1	26.7
Total	2281	93.8	100.0
No response	151	6.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

My conference/mission has a program for preparing young people to become leaders.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	80	3.3	3.5
Disagree	133	5.5	5.8
I Am Not Sure	382	15.7	16.7
Agree	1111	45.7	48.7
Strongly Agree	576	23.7	25.2
Total	2282	93.8	100.0
No response	150	6.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

My union has a program for preparing young people to become leaders.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	76	3.1	3.4
Disagree	119	4.9	5.2
I Am Not Sure	457	18.8	20.2
Agree	1099	45.2	48.5
Strongly Agree	516	21.2	22.8
Total	2267	93.2	100.0
No response	165	6.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

I apply what I learn from the Bible to my daily life.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	36	1.5	1.6
Disagree	56	2.3	2.4
I Am Not Sure	187	7.7	8.2
Agree	1191	49.0	52.1
Strongly Agree	818	33.6	35.8
Total	2288	94.1	100.0
No response	144	5.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

I apply what I learn from Sabbath School lessons to my daily life.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	39	1.6	1.7
Disagree	71	2.9	3.1
I Am Not Sure	220	9.0	9.6
Agree	1197	49.2	52.4
Strongly Agree	756	31.1	33.1
Total	2283	93.9	100.0
No response	149	6.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I apply what I learn from Ellen White's writings to my daily life.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	118	4.9	5.2
Disagree	155	6.4	6.8
I Am Not Sure	407	16.7	18.0
Agree	1037	42.6	45.7
Strongly Agree	550	22.6	24.3
Total	2267	93.2	100.0
No response	165	6.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Although I am religious, it does not affect my life.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	387	15.9	17.5
Disagree	530	21.8	23.9
I Am Not Sure	314	12.9	14.2
Agree	680	28.0	30.7
Strongly Agree	302	12.4	13.6
Total	2213	91.0	100.0
No response	219	9.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

My local church has the ability to communicate across cultures, clans, ethnic groups, and religion.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	114	4.7	5.1
Disagree	195	8.0	8.7
I Am Not Sure	425	17.5	18.9
Agree	1094	45.0	48.7
Strongly Agree	420	17.3	18.7
Total	2248	92.4	100.0
No response	184	7.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

My local church offers training on conflict resolution and reconciliation

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	139	5.7	6.2
Disagree	254	10.4	11.3
I Am Not Sure	538	22.1	23.9
Agree	963	39.6	42.8
Strongly Agree	357	14.7	15.9
Total	2251	92.6	100.0
No response	181	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

My local church offers training on nurture and discipling of church members.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	84	3.5	3.7
Disagree	137	5.6	6.1
I Am Not Sure	336	13.8	14.9
Agree	1190	48.9	52.6
Strongly Agree	515	21.2	22.8
Total	2262	93.0	100.0
No response	170	7.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

My local church offers training on Christ's method of evangelism.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	137	5.6	6.0
Disagree	135	5.6	5.9
I Am Not Sure	243	10.0	10.6
Agree	1132	46.5	49.6
Strongly Agree	635	26.1	27.8
Total	2282	93.8	100.0
No response	150	6.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Access to Spirit of Prophecy Materials

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Yes, always	362	14.9	16.9
Yes, for major works but not others	336	13.8	15.7
Only sometimes	398	16.4	18.6
No, not at all	1010	41.5	47.2
I don't know who Ellen White is	34	1.4	1.6
Total	2140	88.0	100.0
No response	292	12.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Sermon Topics Preached by Pastors (Frequency of Preaching)

Righteousness by Faith

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	715	29.4	31.3
Frequently	1059	43.5	46.3
Seldom	326	13.4	14.3
Never	57	2.3	2.5
I do not know	130	5.3	5.7
Total	2287	94.0	100.0
No response	145	6.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Spirit of Prophecy

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	524	21.5	22.9
Frequently	1048	43.1	45.9
Seldom	488	20.1	21.4
Never	109	4.5	4.8
I do not know	115	4.7	5.0
Total	2284	93.9	100.0
No response	148	6.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Sabbath

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	895	36.8	39.2
Frequently	966	39.7	42.3
Seldom	331	13.6	14.5
Never	35	1.4	1.5
I do not know	59	2.4	2.6
Total	2286	94.0	100.0
No response	146	6.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Second Coming of Jesus

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	1171	48.1	51.1
Frequently	884	36.3	38.6
Seldom	170	7.0	7.4
Never	20	.8	.9
I do not know	46	1.9	2.0
Total	2291	94.2	100.0
No response	141	5.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

Wholistic Living

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	716	29.4	31.6
Frequently	1056	43.4	46.5
Seldom	336	13.8	14.8
Never	49	2.0	2.2
I do not know	112	4.6	4.9
Total	2269	93.3	100.0
No response	163	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Sanctuary

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	465	19.1	20.4
Frequently	930	38.2	40.9
Seldom	650	26.7	28.6
Never	92	3.8	4.0
I do not know	138	5.7	6.1
Total	2275	93.5	100.0
No response	157	6.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

State of the Dead

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very frequently	377	15.5	16.5
Frequently	843	34.7	36.9
Seldom	748	30.8	32.7
Never	141	5.8	6.2
I do not know	177	7.3	7.7
Total	2286	94.0	100.0
No response	146	6.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Description of Commitment to Jesus Christ

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I am not committed to Christ	31	1.3	1.4
I am not sure if I am committed to Christ	66	2.7	2.9
I committed my life to Christ at a specific moment	188	7.7	8.3
My commitment to Christ has developed gradually	842	34.6	37.1
My commitment to Christ came suddenly and I was changed	270	11.1	11.9
I've been committed to Christ since I was a young child	873	35.9	38.5
Total	2270	93.3	100.0
No response	162	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Perceptions on the Activities of the Church and Member Involvement

Overall evangelistic outreach by the church in the local community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	76	3.1	3.3
Needs to decrease greatly	43	1.8	1.9
Needs to decrease somewhat	51	2.1	2.2
Is at the right level	456	18.8	20.0
Needs to increase somewhat	718	29.5	31.5
Needs to increase greatly	935	38.4	41.0
Total	2279	93.7	100.0
No response	153	6.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

My involvement in evangelistic outreach by my church to the local community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	49	2.0	2.2
Needs to decrease greatly	44	1.8	2.0
Needs to decrease somewhat	37	1.5	1.6
Is at the right level	437	18.0	19.4
Needs to increase somewhat	832	34.2	36.9
Needs to increase greatly	855	35.2	37.9
Total	2254	92.7	100.0
No response	178	7.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Overall efforts by my church to meet the needs of the local community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	59	2.4	2.6
Needs to decrease greatly	41	1.7	1.8
Needs to decrease somewhat	60	2.5	2.7
Is at the right level	381	15.7	17.0
Needs to increase somewhat	833	34.3	37.2
Needs to increase greatly	865	35.6	38.6
Total	2239	92.1	100.0
No response	193	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

My involvement in efforts to meet the needs of my local community through my church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	57	2.3	2.5
Needs to decrease greatly	33	1.4	1.5
Needs to decrease somewhat	53	2.2	2.4
Is at the right level	354	14.6	15.8
Needs to increase somewhat	885	36.4	39.6
Needs to increase greatly	855	35.2	38.2
Total	2237	92.0	100.0
No response	195	8.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Overall caring for and nurturing members by my church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	56	2.3	2.5
Needs to decrease greatly	37	1.5	1.6
Needs to decrease somewhat	45	1.9	2.0
Is at the right level	378	15.5	16.8
Needs to increase somewhat	837	34.4	37.3
Needs to increase greatly	893	36.7	39.8
Total	2246	92.4	100.0
No response	186	7.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

My involvement in caring for and nurturing local church members

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	59	2.4	2.7
Needs to decrease greatly	36	1.5	1.6
Needs to decrease somewhat	59	2.4	2.7
Is at the right level	360	14.8	16.2
Needs to increase somewhat	898	36.9	40.4
Needs to increase greatly	813	33.4	36.5
Total	2225	91.5	100.0
No response	207	8.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Overall reclaiming of former members by my church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	91	3.7	4.1
Needs to decrease greatly	56	2.3	2.5
Needs to decrease somewhat	81	3.3	3.7
Is at the right level	327	13.4	14.8
Needs to increase somewhat	663	27.3	30.1
Needs to increase greatly	985	40.5	44.7
Total	2203	90.6	100.0
No response	229	9.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

My involvement in reclaiming of former church members

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	93	3.8	4.2
Needs to decrease greatly	54	2.2	2.5
Needs to decrease somewhat	66	2.7	3.0
Is at the right level	319	13.1	14.5
Needs to increase somewhat	771	31.7	35.0
Needs to increase greatly	899	37.0	40.8
Total	2202	90.5	100.0
No response	230	9.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Efforts by my church to provide day care for children from the local community

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	411	16.9	18.6
Needs to decrease greatly	44	1.8	2.0
Needs to decrease somewhat	43	1.8	1.9
Is at the right level	298	12.3	13.5
Needs to increase somewhat	545	22.4	24.6
Needs to increase greatly	871	35.8	39.4
Total	2212	91.0	100.0
No response	220	9.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Support by my church for a local Seventh-day Adventist school.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Does not apply to my church	282	11.6	12.7
Needs to decrease greatly	51	2.1	2.3
Needs to decrease somewhat	40	1.6	1.8
Is at the right level	386	15.9	17.4
Needs to increase somewhat	563	23.1	25.4
Needs to increase greatly	898	36.9	40.5
Total	2220	91.3	100.0
No response	212	8.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Feelings about Experiences at Church during the Last 12 months (Nurture)

I feel free to be who I am.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	103	4.2	4.5
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	26	1.1	1.1
Somewhat true	340	14.0	14.9
[Somewhat true to very true]	177	7.3	7.8
Very true	1632	67.1	71.6
Total	2278	93.7	100.0
No response	154	6.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

I am able to use my spiritual gifts.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	112	4.6	4.9
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	27	1.1	1.2
Somewhat true	494	20.3	21.8
[Somewhat true to very true]	194	8.0	8.6
Very true	1440	59.2	63.5
Total	2267	93.2	100.0
No response	165	6.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

I feel loved and cared about.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	123	5.1	5.4
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	34	1.4	1.5
Somewhat true	666	27.4	29.5
[Somewhat true to very true]	216	8.9	9.6
Very true	1220	50.2	54.0
Total	2259	92.9	100.0
No response	173	7.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I often feel inadequate or incompetent.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	1168	48.0	52.4
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	69	2.8	3.1
Somewhat true	590	24.3	26.5
[Somewhat true to very true]	90	3.7	4.0
Very true	313	12.9	14.0
Total	2230	91.7	100.0
No response	202	8.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

I have a say in what happens, and I can voice my opinion.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	233	9.6	10.3
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	38	1.6	1.7
Somewhat true	590	24.3	26.0
[Somewhat true to very true]	205	8.4	9.1
Very true	1199	49.3	52.9
Total	2265	93.1	100.0
No response	167	6.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

I often feel a lot of distance in my relationship with other people

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	999	41.1	44.3
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	98	4.0	4.3
Somewhat true	597	24.5	26.5
[Somewhat true to very true]	119	4.9	5.3
Very true	440	18.1	19.5
Total	2253	92.6	100.0
No response	179	7.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

I am able to help and serve other people in important ways.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	97	4.0	4.3
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	40	1.6	1.8
Somewhat true	551	22.7	24.3
[Somewhat true to very true]	253	10.4	11.1
Very true	1329	54.6	58.5
Total	2270	93.3	100.0
No response	162	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

I feel a lot of closeness and unity.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	177	7.3	7.8
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	53	2.2	2.3
Somewhat true	675	27.8	29.8
[Somewhat true to very true]	231	9.5	10.2
Very true	1126	46.3	49.8
Total	2262	93.0	100.0
No response	170	7.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

I feel pressured to behave certain ways.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all	921	37.9	41.0
[Not true at all to somewhat true]	96	3.9	4.3
Somewhat true	563	23.1	25.1
[Somewhat true to very true]	159	6.5	7.1
Very true	505	20.8	22.5
Total	2244	92.3	100.0
No response	188	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Satisfaction with the Local Church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very Dissatisfied	204	8.4	9.2
[Somewhat Dissatisfied]	73	3.0	3.3
[Neutral]	236	9.7	10.7
[Somewhat Satisfied]	390	16.0	17.6
Very Satisfied	1308	53.8	59.2
Total	2211	90.9	100.0
No response	221	9.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Lifelong Commitment to the Seventh-day Adventist Church

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Very Unlikely	62	2.5	2.8
[Somewhat Unlikely]	11	.5	.5
[Neutral]	20	.8	.9
[Somewhat Likely]	108	4.4	4.8
Very Likely	2026	83.3	91.0
Total	2227	91.6	100.0
No response	205	8.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Commitment to Others

I help others with their religious questions and struggles.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	118	4.9	5.2
[Rarely]	50	2.1	2.2
[Sometimes]	221	9.1	9.7
[Sometimes-Often]	324	13.3	14.2
Often	1563	64.3	68.7
Total	2276	93.6	100.0
No response	156	6.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	123	5.1	5.4
[Rarely]	56	2.3	2.5
[Sometimes]	164	6.7	7.2
[Sometimes-Often]	405	16.7	17.9
Often	1516	62.3	67.0
Total	2264	93.1	100.0
No response	168	6.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

I give a significant amount of time to help other people.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	84	3.5	3.7
[Rarely]	84	3.5	3.7
[Sometimes]	274	11.3	12.1
[Sometimes-Often]	408	16.8	18.0
Often	1420	58.4	62.6
Total	2270	93.3	100.0
No response	162	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

I give a significant amount of money to help other people.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	200	8.2	8.9
[Rarely]	201	8.3	8.9
[Sometimes]	375	15.4	16.7
[Sometimes-Often]	420	17.3	18.7
Often	1053	43.3	46.8
Total	2249	92.5	100.0
No response	183	7.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

I show that I care a great deal about reducing poverty in society.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	222	9.1	9.9
[Rarely]	158	6.5	7.0
[Sometimes]	315	13.0	14.0
[Sometimes-Often]	415	17.1	18.5
Often	1133	46.6	50.5
Total	2243	92.2	100.0
No response	189	7.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

I apply my faith to political and social issues

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	543	22.3	24.2
[Rarely]	122	5.0	5.4
[Sometimes]	221	9.1	9.8
[Sometimes-Often]	367	15.1	16.3
Often	992	40.8	44.2
Total	2245	92.3	100.0
No response	187	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

I feel my life is filled with meaning and purpose.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	64	2.6	2.8
[Rarely]	21	.9	.9
[Sometimes]	105	4.3	4.6
[Sometimes-Often]	332	13.7	14.6
Often	1746	71.8	77.0
Total	2268	93.3	100.0
No response	164	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Sabbath-keeping Internalization

When I keep the Sabbath faithfully, I cope better with the stresses of the week.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	50	2.1	2.2
Disagree	26	1.1	1.1
I'm Not Sure	115	4.7	5.0
Agree	733	30.1	32.1
Strongly Agree	1360	55.9	59.5
Total	2284	93.9	100.0
No response	148	6.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Keeping the Sabbath is part of who I am, not something that I do because I have to.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	47	1.9	2.1
Disagree	43	1.8	1.9
I'm Not Sure	64	2.6	2.8
Agree	655	26.9	28.9
Strongly Agree	1459	60.0	64.3
Total	2268	93.3	100.0
No response	164	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

If I didn't keep the Sabbath, I would get a lot more done.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	863	35.5	38.7
Disagree	506	20.8	22.7
I'm Not Sure	263	10.8	11.8
Agree	296	12.2	13.3
Strongly Agree	304	12.5	13.6
Total	2232	91.8	100.0
No response	200	8.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Keeping the Sabbath helps me understand what is important to me.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	42	1.7	1.8
Disagree	37	1.5	1.6
I'm Not Sure	73	3.0	3.2
Agree	686	28.2	30.1
Strongly Agree	1440	59.2	63.2
Total	2278	93.7	100.0
No response	154	6.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

I apply what I learn on Sabbath to how I live the rest of the week.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	36	1.5	1.6
Disagree	37	1.5	1.6
I'm Not Sure	178	7.3	7.8
Agree	988	40.6	43.4
Strongly Agree	1038	42.7	45.6
Total	2277	93.6	100.0
No response	155	6.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

I find it stressful to be forced to take a break on Sabbath from what I need to get done.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	871	35.8	39.0
Disagree	442	18.2	19.8
I'm Not Sure	237	9.7	10.6
Agree	383	15.7	17.1
Strongly Agree	301	12.4	13.5
Total	2234	91.9	100.0
No response	198	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

SECTION 5: WELL-BEING

Happiness

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not at all happy	76	3.1	3.5
Not very happy	280	11.5	12.8
Rather happy	649	26.7	29.6
Very happy	1187	48.8	54.2
Total	2192	90.1	100.0
No response	240	9.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Well-being

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Worst possible life	7	.3	.4
1	17	.7	1.0
2	26	1.1	1.5
3	44	1.8	2.5
4	105	4.3	6.0
5	253	10.4	14.5
6	219	9.0	12.6
7	376	15.5	21.6
8	327	13.4	18.8
9	147	6.0	8.4
Best possible life	220	9.0	12.6
Total	1741	71.6	100.0
No response	691	28.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Spiritual Well-being (over the past 12 months)

I have grown spiritually.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	207	8.5	9.2
[Rarely true for me]	56	2.3	2.5
[Neutral]	239	9.8	10.6
[Somewhat true for me]	522	21.5	23.1
True for me a great deal	1234	50.7	54.7
Total	2258	92.8	100.0
No response	174	7.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Because of spiritual changes I've been through I've changed my priorities.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	152	6.3	6.8
[Rarely true for me]	63	2.6	2.8
[Neutral]	160	6.6	7.1
[Somewhat true for me]	609	25.0	27.2
True for me a great deal	1256	51.6	56.1
Total	2240	92.1	100.0
No response	192	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

I more often have a sense of gratitude.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	66	2.7	2.9
[Rarely true for me]	36	1.5	1.6
[Neutral]	118	4.9	5.3
[Somewhat true for me]	569	23.4	25.3
True for me a great deal	1456	59.9	64.9
Total	2245	92.3	100.0
No response	187	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

I spend more time thinking about spiritual questions.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	151	6.2	6.7
[Rarely true for me]	78	3.2	3.5
[Neutral]	248	10.2	11.1
[Somewhat true for me]	530	21.8	23.7
True for me a great deal	1232	50.7	55.0
Total	2239	92.1	100.0
No response	193	7.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

In some ways I think I am spiritually lost.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	1245	51.2	56.0
[Rarely true for me]	188	7.7	8.5
[Neutral]	168	6.9	7.6
[Somewhat true for me]	192	7.9	8.6
True for me a great deal	429	17.6	19.3
Total	2222	91.4	100.0
No response	210	8.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

My faith has been shaken and I am not sure what I believe.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	1529	62.9	68.5
[Rarely true for me]	133	5.5	6.0
[Neutral]	101	4.2	4.5
[Somewhat true for me]	120	4.9	5.4
True for me a great deal	349	14.4	15.6
Total	2232	91.8	100.0
No response	200	8.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

I feel I've lost some important spiritual meaning that I had before

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	1151	47.3	51.5
[Rarely true for me]	211	8.7	9.4
[Neutral]	168	6.9	7.5
[Somewhat true for me]	194	8.0	8.7
True for me a great deal	512	21.1	22.9
Total	2236	91.9	100.0
No response	196	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I try to avoid anger and bitterness in my heart.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Not true at all for me	154	6.3	6.8
[Rarely true for me]	65	2.7	2.9
[Neutral]	133	5.5	5.9
[Somewhat true for me]	453	18.6	20.1
True for me a great deal	1452	59.7	64.3
Total	2257	92.8	100.0
No response	175	7.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

SECTION 6: BELIEFS

Views regarding SDA and other Religious Beliefs

The Seventh-day Adventist fundamental beliefs are the teaching of the Holy Scripture

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	32	1.3	1.4
Disagree	11	.5	.5
I'm Not Sure	29	1.2	1.3
Agree	440	18.1	19.4
Strongly Agree	1759	72.3	77.5
Total	2271	93.4	100.0
No response	161	6.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	79	3.2	3.5
Disagree	40	1.6	1.8
I'm Not Sure	42	1.7	1.9
Agree	403	16.6	17.9
Strongly Agree	1685	69.3	74.9
Total	2249	92.5	100.0
No response	183	7.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

The soul is a separate, spiritual part of a person and lives on after death.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	1004	41.3	45.1
Disagree	257	10.6	11.6
I'm Not Sure	137	5.6	6.2
Agree	289	11.9	13.0
Strongly Agree	538	22.1	24.2
Total	2225	91.5	100.0
No response	207	8.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Salvation is through Christ alone.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	37	1.5	1.6
Disagree	14	.6	.6
I'm Not Sure	36	1.5	1.6
Agree	221	9.1	9.7
Strongly Agree	1962	80.7	86.4
Total	2270	93.3	100.0
No response	162	6.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	127	5.2	5.8
Disagree	62	2.5	2.8
I'm Not Sure	53	2.2	2.4
Agree	396	16.3	18.0
Strongly Agree	1567	64.4	71.1
Total	2205	90.7	100.0
No response	227	9.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

The SDA 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
Strongly Disagree	34	1.4	1.5
Disagree	21	.9	.9
I'm Not Sure	41	1.7	1.8
Agree	316	13.0	13.9
Strongly Agree	1855	76.3	81.8
Total	2267	93.2	100.0
No response	165	6.8	
Total	2432	100.0	

I will not get to heaven unless I obey God's law perfectly.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	299	12.3	13.3
Disagree	238	9.8	10.6
I'm Not Sure	180	7.4	8.0
Agree	472	19.4	21.0
Strongly Agree	1055	43.4	47.0
Total	2244	92.3	100.0
No response	188	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

The most effective method for reaching people for Christ is to mingle with them, meet their needs, win their confidence, and the bid them to follow Christ.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	28	1.2	1.2
Disagree	28	1.2	1.2
I'm Not Sure	45	1.9	2.0
Agree	430	17.7	19.0
Strongly Agree	1728	71.1	76.5
Total	2259	92.9	100.0
No response	173	7.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Fulfillment of prophecy and events in the world indicate that Christ's coming is very near.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	38	1.6	1.7
Disagree	21	.9	1.0
I'm Not Sure	17	.7	.8
Agree	406	16.7	18.5
Strongly Agree	1716	70.6	78.1
Total	2198	90.4	100.0
No response	234	9.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Christians may go to witch doctors or spiritual healers for protection or healing.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	1468	60.4	67.1
Disagree	304	12.5	13.9
I'm Not Sure	73	3.0	3.3
Agree	156	6.4	7.1
Strongly Agree	187	7.7	8.5
Total	2188	90.0	100.0
No response	244	10.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

When people die, their bodily remains decay and they have no consciousness or activity until they are resurrected.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	74	3.0	3.4
Disagree	32	1.3	1.5
I'm Not Sure	39	1.6	1.8
Agree	419	17.2	19.2
Strongly Agree	1617	66.5	74.1
Total	2181	89.7	100.0
No response	251	10.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

God wants me to take care of my body by avoiding alcohol, drugs and tobacco.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	33	1.4	1.5
Disagree	11	.5	.5
I'm Not Sure	9	.4	.4
Agree	308	12.7	14.1
Strongly Agree	1830	75.2	83.5
Total	2191	90.1	100.0
No response	241	9.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

The head of the Church is Christ.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	20	.8	.9
Disagree	1	.0	.0
I'm Not Sure	10	.4	.5
Agree	211	8.7	9.6
Strongly Agree	1945	80.0	88.9
Total	2187	89.9	100.0
No response	245	10.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

The true Sabbath is the seventh day (Saturday)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	9	.4	.4
Disagree	5	.2	.2
I'm Not Sure	12	.5	.5
Agree	211	8.7	9.6
Strongly Agree	1953	80.3	89.2
Total	2190	90.0	100.0
No response	242	10.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Ellen White's writings are the results of the spiritual gift of prophecy

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	15	.6	.7
Disagree	6	.2	.3
I'm Not Sure	58	2.4	2.7
Agree	487	20.0	22.4
Strongly Agree	1611	66.2	74.0
Total	2177	89.5	100.0
No response	255	10.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	47	1.9	2.2
Disagree	31	1.3	1.4
I'm Not Sure	71	2.9	3.2
Agree	501	20.6	22.9
Strongly Agree	1535	63.1	70.3
Total	2185	89.8	100.0
No response	247	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

I believe God created the universe.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	44	1.8	2.0
Disagree	29	1.2	1.3
I'm Not Sure	19	.8	.9
Agree	231	9.5	10.6
Strongly Agree	1861	76.5	85.2
Total	2184	89.8	100.0
No response	248	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

People who have died believing in Christ are in heaven right now.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	1186	48.8	54.5
Disagree	376	15.5	17.3
I'm Not Sure	188	7.7	8.6
Agree	154	6.3	7.1
Strongly Agree	271	11.1	12.5
Total	2175	89.4	100.0
No response	257	10.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

All believers are called by God to serve each other without distinction of race, culture, education, nationality, gender, or wealth.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	65	2.7	3.0
Disagree	56	2.3	2.6
I'm Not Sure	71	2.9	3.3
Agree	514	21.1	23.6
Strongly Agree	1470	60.4	67.6
Total	2176	89.5	100.0
No response	256	10.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

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

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	175	7.2	8.1
Disagree	210	8.6	9.7
I'm Not Sure	287	11.8	13.3
Agree	576	23.7	26.6
Strongly Agree	916	37.7	42.3
Total	2164	89.0	100.0
No response	268	11.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

I am confident that Jesus Christ will return in my life time.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	139	5.7	6.5
Disagree	136	5.6	6.3
I'm Not Sure	799	32.9	37.1
Agree	425	17.5	19.8
Strongly Agree	652	26.8	30.3
Total	2151	88.4	100.0
No response	281	11.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Prayer in the name of Jesus is the only way to defeat evil powers and demonic spirits.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	75	3.1	3.4
Disagree	42	1.7	1.9
I'm Not Sure	67	2.8	3.1
Agree	449	18.5	20.7
Strongly Agree	1541	63.4	70.9
Total	2174	89.4	100.0
No response	258	10.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

The dead have powers to communicate with and influence the living.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	1450	59.6	67.1
Disagree	289	11.9	13.4
I'm Not Sure	118	4.9	5.5
Agree	124	5.1	5.7
<i>Strongly Agree</i>	181	7.4	8.4
Total	2162	88.9	100.0
No response	270	11.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

Every person is born with tendencies toward evil.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	323	13.3	15.1
Disagree	219	9.0	10.2
I'm Not Sure	279	11.5	13.0
Agree	648	26.6	30.3
Strongly Agree	671	27.6	31.4
<i>Total</i>	2140	88.0	100.0
No response	292	12.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	46	1.9	2.1
Disagree	25	1.0	1.1
I'm Not Sure	37	1.5	1.7
Agree	356	14.6	16.3
Strongly Agree	1721	70.8	78.8
<i>Total</i>	2185	89.8	100.0
No response	247	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Church unity means uniformity in more than doctrinal belief.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	169	6.9	8.0
Disagree	112	4.6	5.3
I'm Not Sure	216	8.9	10.2
Agree	720	29.6	34.0
Strongly Agree	902	37.1	42.6
Total	2119	87.1	100.0
No response	313	12.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Different regions of the world should be allowed to set their own policies in order to meet differing needs.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	456	18.8	21.5
Disagree	364	15.0	17.2
I'm Not Sure	409	16.8	19.3
Agree	469	19.3	22.1
Strongly Agree	420	17.3	19.8
Total	2118	87.1	100.0
No response	314	12.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

The sanctuary doctrine is vital to Adventist theology.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	42	1.7	1.9
Disagree	43	1.8	2.0
I'm Not Sure	135	5.6	6.3
Agree	704	28.9	32.7
Strongly Agree	1231	50.6	57.1
Total	2155	88.6	100.0
No response	277	11.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

In order to reach people for Christ, we need to get to know them and their needs before we preach the Gospel to them.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	68	2.8	3.1
Disagree	111	4.6	5.1
I'm Not Sure	108	4.4	5.0
Agree	735	30.2	34.0
Strongly Agree	1139	46.8	52.7
Total	2161	88.9	100.0
No response	271	11.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Seventh-day Adventist fundamental beliefs as a whole reflect the loving and gracious character of God.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	12	.5	.6
Disagree	14	.6	.6
I'm Not Sure	59	2.4	2.7
Agree	601	24.7	27.8
Strongly Agree	1479	60.8	68.3
Total	2165	89.0	100.0
No response	267	11.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Bible teaches that sexual intercourse should be exclusively reserved for marriage.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	28	1.2	1.3
Disagree	18	.7	.8
I'm Not Sure	48	2.0	2.2
Agree	424	17.4	19.4
Strongly Agree	1664	68.4	76.3
Total	2182	89.7	100.0
No response	250	10.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Bible teaches that marriage is a union between a man and a woman.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	21	.9	1.0
Disagree	7	.3	.3
I'm Not Sure	32	1.3	1.5
Agree	288	11.8	13.2
Strongly Agree	1840	75.7	84.1
Total	2188	90.0	100.0
No response	244	10.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Understanding of the Bible

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Contains no more truth than do the religious books of other world religions	43	1.8	2.0
Work of people who collected stories that had been created to explain the mysteries of life (wisdom about the human experience)	25	1.0	1.1
Work of people who genuinely loved God and who wanted to share their understanding of God's activity in the world	165	6.8	7.6
Work of people who copied what God told them word for word and who wrote without being influenced by their own place/time	239	9.8	10.9
Work of people who were inspired by God and who represented God's message in terms of their own place and time	361	14.8	16.5
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...	1351	55.6	61.9
Total	2184	89.8	100.0
No response	248	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Understanding of the writings of Ellen G. White

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't know who Ellen G. White is	59	2.4	2.7
Contain no more truth or wisdom than do the religious works written by leaders of other denomination	28	1.2	1.3
Ellen G. White was a person who created stories of supernatural guidance in order to explain the mysteries of life (wisdom about human experience)	96	3.9	4.4
Ellen G. White was inspired by God and presented God's message in terms of her own place and time	983	40.4	45.4
Ellen G. White copied what God told her word for word, and wrote without being influenced by her own place and time	998	41.0	46.1
Total	2164	89.0	100.0
No response	268	11.0	
Total	2432	100.0	

Acceptance of SDA Church Teachings

There is one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a unity of three eternal equal Persons.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	22	.9	1.0
I have major doubts about it	24	1.0	1.1
I have some questions about it	53	2.2	2.4
I accept it because the church teaches it	198	8.1	8.8
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1958	80.5	86.8
Total	2255	92.7	100.0
No response	177	7.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

The investigative pre-Advent judgment began in 1844.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	85	3.5	3.9
I have major doubts about it	104	4.3	4.8
I have some questions about it	163	6.7	7.5
I accept it because the church teaches it	443	18.2	20.3
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1388	57.1	63.6
Total	2183	89.8	100.0
No response	249	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Christ is acting as our advocate before God in the heavenly sanctuary right now.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	22	.9	1.0
I have major doubts about it	27	1.1	1.2
I have some questions about it	31	1.3	1.4
I accept it because the church teaches it	239	9.8	10.7
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1925	79.2	85.8
Total	2244	92.3	100.0
No response	188	7.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Before Christ returns, God will decide who is to be saved and who will be eternally lost.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	323	13.3	14.7
I have major doubts about it	100	4.1	4.5
I have some questions about it	146	6.0	6.6
I accept it because the church teaches it	287	11.8	13.0
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1346	55.3	61.1
Total	2202	90.5	100.0
No response	230	9.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Church's interpretation of end-time prophecies.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	47	1.9	2.2
I have major doubts about it	37	1.5	1.7
I have some questions about it	96	3.9	4.4
I accept it because the church teaches it	408	16.8	18.8
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1587	65.3	73.0
Total	2175	89.4	100.0
No response	257	10.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Ellen G. White was a prophet.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	160	6.6	7.3
I have major doubts about it	54	2.2	2.5
I have some questions about it	95	3.9	4.3
I accept it because the church teaches it	371	15.3	16.9
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1520	62.5	69.1
Total	2200	90.5	100.0
No response	232	9.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Adventists should abstain from alcohol, tobacco, and the irresponsible use of drugs.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	69	2.8	3.1
I have major doubts about it	17	.7	.8
I have some questions about it	32	1.3	1.4
I accept it because the church teaches it	204	8.4	9.1
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1928	79.3	85.7
Total	2250	92.5	100.0
No response	182	7.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Adventists should eat a healthful diet and abstain from unclean foods identified in Scripture.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	31	1.3	1.4
I have major doubts about it	14	.6	.6
I have some questions about it	30	1.2	1.3
I accept it because the church teaches it	226	9.3	10.1
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1947	80.1	86.6
Total	2248	92.4	100.0
No response	184	7.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

Adventists should avoid amusements and entertainments that are not in harmony with the Spirit of Christ.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
I don't accept it	46	1.9	2.1
I have major doubts about it	28	1.2	1.3
I have some questions about it	58	2.4	2.6
I accept it because the church teaches it	250	10.3	11.2
I embrace it wholeheartedly	1841	75.7	82.8
Total	2223	91.4	100.0
No response	209	8.6	
Total	2432	100.0	

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Diet

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Vegan	116	4.8	5.3
Vegetarian	144	5.9	6.6
Pescatarian	290	11.9	13.3
Meat eater once a week or less	517	21.3	23.7
Meat eater a few times a week	634	26.1	29.1
Meat eater most days	479	19.7	22.0
Total	2180	89.6	100.0
No response	252	10.4	
Total	2432	100.0	

Alcohol Use (within the last 12 months)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Yes	299	12.3	13.5
No	1909	78.5	86.5
Total	2208	90.8	100.0
No response	224	9.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Tobacco Use (within the last 12 months)

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Yes	55	2.3	2.5
No	2128	87.5	97.5
Total	2183	89.8	100.0
No response	249	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

Understanding of Scientific Research on Alcohol Use

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Overall, no safe level of alcohol use	1356	55.8	66.1
Safe in moderation	136	5.6	6.6
I am not sure	558	22.9	27.2
Total	2050	84.3	100.0
No response	382	15.7	
Total	2432	100.0	

Commitment to Follow the Adventist Health Message

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Never	76	3.1	3.4
Rarely	220	9.0	9.9
Occasionally	449	18.5	20.3
A moderate amount	554	22.8	25.0
A great deal	917	37.7	41.4
Total	2216	91.1	100.0
No response	216	8.9	
Total	2432	100.0	

Beliefs about Adventist Health Message

The Health Message is a core part of Seventh-day Adventist belief that cannot be questioned.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	51	2.1	2.3
Disagree	62	2.5	2.8
I'm Not Sure	89	3.7	4.0
Agree	763	31.4	34.2
Strongly Agree	1266	52.1	56.7
Total	2231	91.7	100.0
No response	201	8.3	
Total	2432	100.0	

Following the Health Message increases the probability that a person will live longer.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	43	1.8	1.9
Disagree	24	1.0	1.1
I'm Not Sure	79	3.2	3.5
Agree	677	27.8	30.3
Strongly Agree	1412	58.1	63.2
Total	2235	91.9	100.0
No response	197	8.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

I can choose which parts of the Health Message to follow and which to ignore.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	586	24.1	26.8
Disagree	630	25.9	28.8
I'm Not Sure	288	11.8	13.2
Agree	385	15.8	17.6
Strongly Agree	295	12.1	13.5
Total	2184	89.8	100.0
No response	248	10.2	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Health Message has largely been supported by scientific discoveries.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	56	2.3	2.5
Disagree	65	2.7	3.0
I'm Not Sure	174	7.2	7.9
Agree	804	33.1	36.5
Strongly Agree	1101	45.3	50.0
Total	2200	90.5	100.0
No response	232	9.5	
Total	2432	100.0	

Following the health message ensures my salvation.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	269	11.1	12.2
Disagree	291	12.0	13.2
I'm Not Sure	348	14.3	15.7
Agree	609	25.0	27.5
Strongly Agree	694	28.5	31.4
Total	2211	90.9	100.0
No response	221	9.1	
Total	2432	100.0	

The Adventist Health Message emphasizes physical health (e.g. diet, exercise), mental health, emotional well-being, social support, and relationships as a part of spiritual growth.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Strongly Disagree	27	1.1	1.2
Disagree	19	.8	.9
I'm Not Sure	75	3.1	3.4
Agree	615	25.3	27.7
Strongly Agree	1484	61.0	66.8
Total	2220	91.3	100.0
No response	212	8.7	
Total	2432	100.0	