

U. S. CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SURVEY **Leader Survey**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Responses from Survey Conducted October, 2001.

Frequencies N = 132 from 141 growing congregations.

Your Faith Background

1. What was your denomination growing up, if any, before you were 12 years old? (If none, check here: 1.5%)
83.2% ELCA and predecessor church bodies
4.6 None
3.1 Roman Catholic Church
9.1 Other
2. Which of the following describes the church attendance of your *father* before you were 12 years old?
12.1% Occasional (two or three times a year)
3.8 About once per month
73.5 Weekly attendance
10.6 Did not attend
0.0 Not applicable
3. Which of the following describes the church attendance of your *mother* before you were 12 years old?
7.6% Occasional (two or three times a year)
3.8 About once per month
82.6 Weekly attendance
6.1 Did not attend
0.0 Not applicable
4. How would you describe *your* church attendance at age 16?
3.0% Occasional (two or three times a year)
5.3 About once a month
88.6 Weekly attendance
3.0 Did not attend
5. Were you involved in church-based youth activities *at age 16*?
46.2% Yes, I was involved
37.1 Yes, and I had a leadership role
16.7 No
6. Which statement comes closest to your view of the Bible? (Mark *one* only.)
1.5% The Bible is the word of God, to be taken literally word for word
64.1 The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical and cultural context
32.1 The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical context and the Church's teachings
2.3 The Bible is not the word of God, but contains God's word to us
0.0 The Bible is not the word of God but is a valuable book
0.0 The Bible is an ancient book with little value today
0.0 Don't know

7. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "All the different religions are equally good ways of helping a person find ultimate truth"?
1.5% Strongly agree
8.3 Agree
7.6 Neutral or unsure
42.4 Disagree
40.2 Strongly disagree
8. When it comes to your approach to faith, as distinct from your denominational affiliation, would you say that you are a pentecostal, fundamentalist, evangelical, mainline, or liberal Protestant, or do none of these describe you?
0.0% Pentecostal
0.0 Fundamentalist
24.8 Evangelical
48.8 Mainline
15.5 Liberal
4.7 None
6.2 Other (Specify):

Your Background in Ministry

9. Are you ordained?
100.0% Yes
0.0 No → Skip to Q14
10. At what age did you first seriously consider that you were called to become an ordained minister?
Ave=17.9 Median=18.0
11. How old were you when you were ordination?
Ave=28.9 Median=27.0
12. Overall, how many years have you been in the ordained ministry full- or part-time for which you were paid a salary? Ave=20.7 Median=20.0
13. In how many different positions, including your current one, have you served as a paid ordained minister?
Ave=3.0 Median=3.0
14. Did you work full-time at other occupations before entering the ministry?
40.8% Yes
59.2 No → Skip to Q19
15. If yes, for how long? Ave=7.6 years Median=5.0 years

16. What was your last full-time occupation before becoming a minister?
- 42.9% All other professionals
 - 16.1 Managers & administrators
 - 10.7 Teachers & professors
 - 5.4 Craftsman & related workers
 - 5.4 Transport/Laborers
 - 5.4 Armed services, police, fire fighter
 - 3.6 Service workers
 - 3.6 Other religious professional
 - 6.9 Other
17. In your final year in that job, what was your approximate cash salary? Ave = \$24,898 Median=\$20,000
18. What year was that? Ave= 1981 Median=1980
19. Since entering the ministry, have you ever left parish ministry for a time to work in non-parish ministry or in another job or occupation?
- 8.4% Yes, to work in non-parish ministry
 - 5.3 Yes, to work in a secular position
 - 86.3 No → Skip to Q21
20. If yes, how long were you away from parish ministry before returning? Ave = 7.5 years Median=6.0 years
21. What is the highest level of *theological training* you have obtained?
- 0.0% None → Skip to Q23
 - 0.0 Certificate from denominational training program, Bible college, or seminary
 - 0.0 Bible college degree
 - 79.4 Master of Divinity or Bachelor of Divinity
 - 7.6 M.A., S.T.M., Th.M., or other Master's degree
 - 9/2 Doctor of Ministry degree
 - 3.1 Ph.D. or Th.D.
 - 0.8 Other
22. From what educational institution (bible college, seminary, etc.) did you receive your first theological degree?
- 16.0 Philadelphia
 - 13.0 Luther
 - 13.0 LSTC
 - 13.0 Trinity/Hamma
 - 10.7 Wartburg
 - 7.6 Southern
 - 6.1 Christ Seminary/Seminex
 - 3.8 Pacific
 - 2.3 Concordia
 - 2.3 Gettysburg
 - 5.6 Other
 - 6.1 Unknown

Your Current Position

23. Are you the congregation's principal leader?
- 99.2% Yes
 - 0.8 No

24. Did you have to be ordained in order to hold the position that you are now in?
- 100.0% Yes
 - 0.0 No
25. How would you describe your current position?
- 46.6% Solo pastor
 - 45.8 Senior Pastor
 - 3.8 Co-pastor
 - 2.3 Interim pastor
 - 1.6 Other (Specify):
26. In what year did you become pastor of this congregation?
- Ave = 1994 Median=1996
27. Do you presently serve as pastor of other congregations in addition to this one?
- 5.4% Yes → If yes, how many? 1 83.3%
 - 94.6 No 2 16.7%
28. Do you currently work at any other job other than as pastor of this congregation (and other congregations related to it)?
- 5.4% Yes → If yes, what is your other job or occupation?
 - 37.5% Other religious professional
 - 37.5 All other professionals
 - 25.0 Managers and administrators
 - 94.6 No
29. Other than you, how many of the following paid staff, full- or part-time, are employed by your congregation?
- | Average number of: | Full-time | Part-time |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Ordained professionals | 1.07 | 1.10 |
| Lay professionals | 1.60 | 2.09 |
| Clerical/Secretarial | 1.02 | 1.24 |
| Custodial/Maintenance | .91 | 1.29 |
| Daycare, preschool, or school employees if have one | 4.83 | 5.21 |
| Other paid employees if have any | 1.43 | 2.64 |
30. In the *past 12 months*, have you done any of the following? (Mark *all* that apply.)
- 65.9% Helped someone outside your family find a job
 - 98.5 Voted in the last presidential election
 - 97.7 Donated money to a charitable organization (other than this congregation)
 - 52.3 Contacted an elected official about a public issue
31. Which of the following best describes your current stand on political issues?
- 0.0% Very conservative
 - 18.6 Conservative
 - 50.4 Moderate
 - 29.5 Liberal
 - 1.6 Very liberal

32. In a **typical week** approximately how many hours do you spend in work related to your employment in this congregation? Ave = 55.8 Median=55.0

33. Please estimate how many hours in a **typical week** you devote to each task listed below, including preparation where applicable. **Average Hours**

- a. Preaching (including sermon preparation) 9.5
- b. Worship and sacramental leadership, including funerals and weddings 5.4
- c. Teaching people about the faith 4.6
- d. Training people for ministry and mission 2.5
- e. One-on-one time working to convert others to the faith 1.4
- f. Pastoral counseling and spiritual direction 3.7
- g. Visiting members and their families, including sick, shut-ins 5.0
- h. Visiting or calling on prospective members 2.3
- i. Administering the work of the congregation, including staff supervision 10.9
- j. Attending congregational board and committee meetings 3.8
- k. Thinking about and promoting a vision and goals for the congregation's future 3.4
- l. Involvement in denominational, interdenominational and interfaith affairs 2.0
- m. Involvement in community organizations and issues beyond the congregation 2.2

34. As you look back over the list of pastoral tasks in Q33 and other demands on you as a pastor . . . Which 3 of the tasks do you do best? . . . **% Choosing**

- a. Preaching (including sermon preparation) 91.6%
- b. Worship and sacramental leadership, including funerals and weddings 54.2
- c. Teaching people about the faith 44.3
- d. Training people for ministry and mission 5.3
- e. One-on-one time working to convert others to the faith 0.8
- f. Pastoral counseling and spiritual direction 21.4
- g. Visiting members and their families, including sick, shut-ins 21.4
- h. Visiting or calling on prospective members 11.5
- i. Administering the work of the congregation, including staff supervision 18.3

- j. Attending congregational board and committee meetings 1.5
- k. Thinking about and promoting a vision and goals for the congregation's future . . . 22.9
- l. Involvement in denominational, interdenominational and interfaith affairs 1.5
- m. Involvement in community organizations and issues beyond the congregation 3.1

In what 3 areas do you think you most need to improve? **% Choosing**

- a. Preaching (including sermon preparation) 4.6%
- b. Worship and sacramental leadership, including funerals and weddings 3.1
- c. Teaching people about the faith 16.9
- d. Training people for ministry and mission 60.0
- e. One-on-one time working to convert others to the faith 33.1
- f. Pastoral counseling and spiritual direction 17.7
- g. Visiting members and their families, including sick, shut-ins 12.3
- h. Visiting or calling on prospective members 23.1
- i. Administering the work of the congregation, including staff supervision 40.0
- j. Attending congregational board and committee meetings 5.4
- k. Thinking about and promoting a vision and goals for the congregation's future . . . 33.1
- l. Involvement in denominational, interdenominational and interfaith affairs 14.6
- m. Involvement in community organizations and issues beyond the congregation 25.4

35. In your preaching, do you use the scripture texts from a prescribed lectionary?
 48.1% Always
 41.2 Most of the time
 8.4 Occasionally
 2.3 Never

36. In your ministry in the congregation, with which of the following age groups do you spend most of your time? (Mark up to **two**.)
 5.3% Children (up to age 12)
 30.3 Youth (ages 13 - 18)
 0.8 Single young adults
 37.9 Married young adults
 27.3 Middle aged adults
 25.8 Older adults

37. Within the *last seven days*, how much time did you spend in the following activities?

Average

Hours

- a. Prayer, meditation, Bible reading, and other spiritual disciplines 5.2
- b. Reading (other than for specific sermons or teaching) 4.3
- c. Searching the web, chat groups, e-mail 3.0
- d. Family life (time, other than at meals, spent on family activities) 10.3
- e. Household chores (laundry, shopping, etc.) 5.6
- f. Physical exercise for your health 3.6
- g. Recreation (other than exercise) 3.5
- h. Commuting to work 2.2
- i. Eating out with friends 1.9

38. What is your current salary as pastor, priest, or minister prior to taxes, including fringe benefits and allowances, but excluding housing, health insurance, and pensions?
Ave = \$40,104 Median = \$38,650

39. Are you furnished with a parsonage, manse, or rectory, or provided a housing allowance (either by your congregation, denomination, or some other organization)?
88.5% Yes
11.5 No → Skip to Q41

40. If yes, how much is that allowance, or how much is the fair rental value of your parsonage, manse, or rectory?
a. Housing allowance Ave = \$19,794 Med = \$19,364
b. Fair rental value Ave = 11,862 Med = \$9,600

41. How much money do you set aside each month to repay your educational debts? (If none, check here: 83.4%)
Ave = \$408 Median = \$325

42. Does your congregation or denomination contribute to a pension program for you?
99.2% Yes
0.8 No

43. Do you receive health care benefits either from your congregation or your spouse's employer?
97.7% Yes
2.3 No

44. What is the total amount of any income that you and your family receive from sources *other* than your income from the church, such as spousal salary, a second job, investments, etc.? Ave = \$28,974 Median = \$25,000

45. Do you regularly take a day off each week?
84.1% Yes
15.9 No

46. How often during the past year did you take part in some form of continuing theological education lasting at least a full day?

- 1.5% Never
- 37.4 Once or twice
- 44.3 Three to five times
- 16.8 More than five times

47. Does your current congregation or denomination provide you with a sabbatical leave?

- 38.6 Yes
- 61.4 No → Skip to Q50

48. If yes, when was the last time that you took a sabbatical leave?

- 10.0% Coming Up 2.5 Too new here
- 40.0 Last 5 years 22.5 6-10 years ago
- 7.5 11+ years ago 17.5 Never

49. How long was your last sabbatical leave?

- Average = 68.0 days Median = 87.0 days

50. Do you and your lay leaders engage in an annual evaluation of your performance?

- 59.5% Yes
- 40.5 No

51. Do you have regular performance evaluations by an appropriate denominational official?

- 6.9% Yes
- 93.1 No
- 0.0 We are not affiliated with a denomination

52. How important would you say that the denomination of this congregation is for the way that it organizes its programs or ministries?

- 20.5% Great importance
- 54.5 Somewhat important
- 10.6 Somewhat unimportant
- 14.4 Of little importance
- 0.0 We are not affiliated with a denomination

53. In your work as a pastoral leader which of the following occupies more of your attention on a week-to-week basis? (Mark only *one*.)

- 5.3% Dealing with the problems and needs of individual members
- 48.5 Dealing with the problems, needs, and directions of the congregation as a whole
- 46.2 Each of these in roughly equal proportion

54. Which of these statements most accurately describes your congregation? (Mark only *one*.)

- 0.8% Our congregation has no clear vision, goals, or direction.
- 15.9 We have some ideas but no clear vision.
- 33.3 We have a clear vision but not enough commitment to achieving it.
- 50.0 We have a clear vision and a strong commitment to achieving it.

55. If the congregation has a clear vision, how compatible with the vision are its current programs and structures?
- 34.4% Very compatible
- 53.1 Somewhat compatible
- 3.1 Somewhat incompatible
- 0.8 Not at all compatible
- 8.6 We do not have a clear vision

56. Over the *last two years*, has there been any conflict in this congregation? (Check *one* response.)
- 20.5% No conflict that I'm aware of
- 68.2 Some minor conflict
- 3.8 Major conflict
- 7.6 Major conflict with leaders or people leaving
- 0.0 Don't know

57. What was the conflict about? (Mark *all* that apply. If no conflict, skip to Q58.)
- 18.9% Finances
- 24.2 Changes in worship style
- 11.4 Changes in music styles
- 11.4 Changes in other programs of the congregation
- 3.0 Doctrines
- 15.2 Pastoral leadership style
- 9.1 Lay leadership style
- 16.7 Conflicts between staff and/or clergy
- 2.3 Sexual misconduct
- 6.1 Issues regarding homosexuality
- 0.8 Racial issues
- 31.8 Issues about a new building or renovation of an existing building
- 15.9 Other (Specify)

58. A variety of factors affect a congregation's acceptance of its pastor's leadership. How important is each of the following in your current congregation's acceptance of your leadership?

	Great Importance	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Of Little Importance
Being ordained	87.1%	12.9	0.0	0.0
Having a seminary degree or certificate	79.5	19.7	0.8	0.0
Having a clear sense of call from God	74.2	22.7	2.3	0.8
Being competent in the tasks of ministry, including preaching	91.7	8.3	0.0	0.0
Having the trust of the majority of the congregation	84.0	15.3	0.8	0.0
Your physical appearance	3.1	48.9	39.7	8.4
Your gender	0.8	38.6	39.4	25.6
Your race or ethnicity	3.8	36.2	40.0	20.0

59. As you think about your experience, how important is each of the following in sustaining your commitment to pastoral ministry?

	Great Importance	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Of Little Importance
Feeling that your gifts for ministry are right for the congregation you are serving	93.2%	6.8	0.0	0.0
Serving a congregation that offers challenges to your creativity	74.2	24.2	0.8	0.8
Having close relationships with your congregation's members	28.8	51.5	16.7	3.0
Financial well-being	17.6	65.6	13.0	3.8
Opportunity to own your own housing	27.1	33.3	25.0	14.4
Other (please specify)	81.8	18.2	0.0	0.0

60. At present, what is your level of satisfaction with each of the following?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
Your overall effectiveness as a pastoral leader in this particular congregation	61.4%	36.4	2.3	0.0
Your current ministry position	68.2	28.8	2.3	0.8
Housing or living arrangements	75.0	22.0	3.0	0.0
Spiritual life	30.3	57.6	11.4	0.8
Opportunities for continuing theological education	39.4	50.0	10.6	0.0
Support from your denominational officials	34.4	43.5	18.3	3.8
Relations with other clergy	37.1	42.4	18.9	1.3
Relations with lay leaders in your congregation	62.9	33.3	3.8	0.0
Your salary and benefits	59.8	36.4	3.8	0.0
Your family life	62.9	28.8	6.8	1.5

61. Clergy face many problems today. Would you indicate how important the following problems are *to you* on a day-to-day basis?

	Great Problem	Somewhat Problem	Very Little Problem	No Problem
Lack of agreement over what the role of a pastor is.	6.1%	17.4	49.2	27.3
Difficulty of having a private life apart from my ministerial role.	8.3	43.2	31.8	16.7
Finding time for recreation, relaxation, or personal reflection.	15.2	59.8	18.9	6.1
Relationships with other clergy and staff members in the church	0.0	14.4	47.7	37.9
Having people relate to me differently because I'm a pastor.	0.8	18.2	55.3	25.8
Difficulty of reaching people with the Gospel today.	9.1	49.2	33.3	8.3

62. In the *past five years*, how often have you . . .

	Very Often	Fairly Often	Once in Awhile	Never
Doubted that you are called by God to the ministry?	0.8	1.5	40.9	56.8
Seriously thought of leaving pastoral ministry in a congregation to enter another type of ministry position?	0.8	5.3	40.2	53.8
Seriously thought of leaving pastoral ministry to enter a secular occupation?	0.8	3.8	34.1	61.4
Experienced stress as a result of dealing with congregation members who are critical of your work?	3.0	11.4	78.0	7.6

63. During the *past year*, how often have people in your congregation . . .

	Very Often	Fairly Often	Once in Awhile	Never
Made you feel loved and cared for?	60.6%	30.3	9.1	0.0
Listened to you talk about your private problems and concerns?	12.9	20.5	55.3	11.4
Made too many demands on you?	5.3	35.6	50.0	9.1

64. During the *past year*, how often . . .

	Very Often	Fairly Often	Once in Awhile	Never	Not Applicable
Have you experienced stress because of the challenges you face in this congregation?	18.9%	42.4	37.9	0.8	0.0
Have you felt lonely and isolated in your work?	4.5	18.2	60.6	16.7	0.0
Have you felt that your work in this congregation did not permit you to devote adequate time to your children?	4.6	16.0	50.4	10.7	18.3
Has your spouse voiced resentment over the amount of time that your ministry takes up?	4.6	9.9	60.3	22.1	3.1
Has your spouse voiced resentment over the financial situation in which you find yourselves by being in pastoral ministry? . . .	0.8	3.1	32.8	58.8	4.6

65. Do you agree or disagree with each of these statements?

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neutral or Unsure	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree
This congregation is always ready to try something new	24.2%	66.7	2.3	5.3	1.5
The current morale of this congregation is high	57.3	38.2	2.3	1.5	0.8
Members of the congregation have a sense of excitement about the congregation's future	57.6	32.6	7.6	2.3	0.0
The congregation's leaders are willing to change programs and structures to meet new challenges	54.5	35.6	3.0	3.8	3.0
In general, there is a good match between this congregation and my leadership	67.7	26.2	3.8	1.5	0.8
The realities of being a congregational minister or priest are very different to the expectations I once held	11.5	29.8	14.5	26.7	16.8

In Q66 to Q71 please choose the option that seems most like *your* style and vision of pastoral leadership.

66. Choose one.

- 24.2% In the last analysis, the ordained ministry is a calling to a particular state and quality of life that sets one apart from the laity.
- 75.8 Ordained ministers are no different from any other Christians except that they have special training which equips them to lead the work of the church.

67. Choose one.

- 33.3% When deciding on a new program or ministry, we first discuss the theological rationale for what we are considering.
- 66.7 When deciding on a new program or ministry, we primarily take into consideration how well it meets the desires and needs of members or prospective members.

68. Choose one.
 5.3% I make most of the decisions; lay members generally follow my lead.
 74.2 I try to inspire and encourage lay members to make decisions and take action, although I will take action alone if I believe that it is needed.
 6.1 Lay leaders come up with most of the initiatives in the congregation, although I try to exert a strong influence on their decisions.
 14.4 Lay leaders make most of the decisions about the congregation's directions and programs; my role is to empower them to implement their decisions.
69. Choose one.
 38.6% I enjoy keeping things stirred up and challenging my lay leaders with new ideas and programs.
 61.4 I generally prefer to keep things functioning smoothly by introducing changes gradually.
70. Choose one.
 76.2% In a rapidly changing world, it is essential that congregational leaders should seek to be innovative in such things as worship and music styles.
 23.8 In a rapidly changing world, it is essential that leaders keep their congregation focused on the inherited traditions and practices of the church.
71. Choose one.
 73.5% My lay leaders and I regularly take time to discuss and define future needs and directions of the congregation.
 26.5 The time my lay leaders and I spend together is largely taken up with keeping things going and keeping the congregation functioning effectively.
72. In general, how would you say your family has been affected by your ministry in this congregation?
 50.0% Very positively
 40.2 Somewhat positively
 4.5 Somewhat negatively
 3.8 Very negatively
 1.5 Not applicable

73. In your current planning, when do you anticipate retiring from active pastoral ministry? Ave=65.9 Median=65.0

Your Health

74. In general, would you say your health is . . .
 31.8% Excellent
 47.0 Very good
 16.7 Good
 4.5 Fair
 0.0 Poor
75. During the *past four weeks*, how much did *pain* interfere with your normal activities (including both work outside the home and housework)?
 57.3% Not at all
 33.6 A little bit
 7.6 Moderately
 1.5 Quite a bit
 0.0 Extremely
76. What is your height? Men Ave. = 6.0 Median= 5.9 feet
 Women Ave. = 5.5 Median= 5.6 feet
77. During the *past four weeks*, how much of the time has your *physical health or emotional problems* interfered with your social activities (like visiting friends, relatives, etc.)?
 0.8% All of the time
 0.8 Most of the time
 3.8 Some of time
 19.8 A little of the time
 74.8 None of the time
78. What is your weight? Men Ave. = 200 Median = 195 lbs
 Women Ave. = 169 Median = 162 lbs

79. The following items are about activities that you might do during a typical day. Does your health now limit you in these activities?

	Limited a Lot	Limited a Little	Not Limited at All
Moderate activities, such a moving a table, pushing a vacuum cleaner, bowling, or playing golf	2.3%	9.3	88.4
Climbing several flights of stairs	3.9	7.0	89.1
Walking more than a mile	3.1	6.2	90.7

80. During the *past four weeks*, how much of the time have you had either of the following problems with your work or other regular daily activities as a *result of your physical health*?

	All of the Time	Most of the Time	Some of Time	A Little of the Time	None of the Time
Accomplished less than you would like	0.0%	3.1	10.7	13.7	72.5
Were limited in the kind of work or other activities you could do	0.0	0.0	9.2	15.3	75.6

81. During the *past four weeks*, how much of the time have you had either of the following problems with your work or other regular daily activities as a *result of any emotional problems* (such as feeling depressed or anxious)?

	All of the Time	Most of the Time	Some of Time	A Little of the Time	None of the Time
Accomplished less than you would like	0.0%	3.1	10.8	26.9	59.2
Did work or activities less carefully than usual	0.0	1.5	8.4	28.2	61.8

82. Do you agree or disagree with each of these statements?

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neutral or Unsure	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I feel drained in fulfilling my functions in my congregation	7.6%	38.2	8.4	21.4	24.4
I am less patient with people in my congregation than I used to be	0.8	25.2	10.7	29.0	34.4
I feel negative or cynical about the people with whom I work	0.8	10.8	3.8	30.0	54.6
I feel very positive about my ministry here	65.4	26.0	3.9	3.1	1.6
The ministry here gives real purpose and meaning to my life	59.2	30.0	6.9	3.8	0.0
I find myself frustrated in my attempts to accomplish tasks that are important to me	4.7	35.2	6.3	33.6	20.3
Fatigue and irritation are part of my daily experience	2.3	23.8	6.2	39.2	28.5
I have accomplished many worthwhile things in my ministry here	73.3	22.9	3.1	0.8	0.0
I gain a lot of personal satisfaction from working with people here	69.5	26.7	3.1	0.8	0.0
I have enthusiasm for my work	67.9	26.0	5.3	0.8	0.0
My ministry feels really appreciated by people	64.4	25.2	7.6	2.3	0.0
I am really glad that I entered the ministry	76.3	17.6	3.8	1.5	0.8
I find myself spending less and less time with members	3.1	19.1	6.9	37.4	33.6

83. The following questions are about how you feel and how things have been with you *during the past four weeks*. For each question, please give the one answer that comes closest to the way you have been feeling. How much of the time during the past four weeks. . .

	All of the Time	Most of the Time	Some of Time	A Little of the Time	None of the Time
Have you felt calm and peaceful?	1.5%	50.4	41.2	6.9	0.0
Did you have a lot of energy?	9.2	61.8	22.1	6.1	0.8
Have you felt downhearted and depressed?	0.0	1.6	29.5	41.9	27.1
Did you feel worn out?	1.5	6.9	31.5	46.9	13.1
Have you been happy?	11.5	67.2	19.1	2.3	0.0

84. How satisfied are you with each of the following?

	Delighted	Mixed Feelings	Terrible
Your health	14.4%	39.4	27.3
Your relationships with family or friends	25.0	50.0	13.6
Your spiritual life	7.6	43.9	27.3
Your life as a whole	19.7	55.3	18.9

About You

85. Are you:
90.2% Male
9.8 Female

86. What is the highest educational level you have completed apart from your theological education?

- 0.0% No formal schooling
- 0.0 Primary school through 8th grade (K-8)
- 0.0 Some high school
- 0.0 Completed high school
- 0.0 Trade certificate
- 1.0 Associate degree
- 57.6 Bachelors degree from a university or college
- 42.4 Master's, Doctorate, or other graduate degree

87. If a college graduate, what was your undergraduate major?

- 29.8% Social or Behavioral Sciences
- 20.6 Other humanities
- 12.2 Religion
- 8.4 Natural or Physical sciences
- 8.4 Education
- 5.3 Fine arts
- 4.6 Philosophy
- 3.8 Journalism/Communication
- 3.1 Business/Economics
- 1.5 Theology
- 2.4 Other

88. What is your race or origin? (Mark *all* that apply.)
- 0.0% Asian or Pacific Islander
 - 0.8 Black or African American
 - 0.0 Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
 - 0.8 Indian (American) or Alaska Native
 - 99.2 White or Caucasian
 - 0.0 Some other race (please specify)
89. Would you describe yourself as Hispanic or Latino/a?
- 0.0% Yes
 - 100.0 No
90. What is your age? Average = 50.1 Median = 51.0
91. Which of the following categories comes closest to the type of place you were living in when you were 16 years old?
- 12.9% In open country or on a farm
 - 38.6 In a small city of town (under 50,000)
 - 19.7 In a medium-size city (50,000-250,000)
 - 15.9 In a suburb near a large city
 - 12.9 In a large city
 - 0.0 Don't know
92. What is or was your father's occupation? If more than one, list his occupation during the bulk of your school age years.
- 31.5% All other professionals
 - 15.4 Clergy
 - 15.4 Managers & administrators
 - 10.8 Operatives & factory workers
 - 8.5 Farmers
 - 4.6 Service Workers
 - 3.8 Teachers & professors
 - 3.1 Physician, dentist, veterinarian
 - 2.3 Armed services, police, fire fighter
 - 4.6 Other
93. What is or was your mother's occupation? If more than one, list her occupation during the bulk of your school age years.
- 55.0% Homemaker
 - 14.7 Clerical & related workers
 - 10.9 Teachers & professors
 - 7.8 All other professionals
 - 4.7 Managers & administrators
 - 3.9 Service workers
 - 3.2 Other
94. Which of the following best describes your current marital status?
- 0.8% Never married → Skip to Q97
 - 80.3 In first marriage
 - 1.5 Divorced or separated
 - 0.0 Widowed
 - 0.0 Remarried after death of spouse
 - 16.7 Remarried after divorce
 - 0.8 In a committed relationship

95. If currently married or in a committed relationship, what is or was the occupation of your spouse or partner?
- 25.6% Teachers & professors
 - 20.2 All other professionals
 - 14.0 Managers & administrators
 - 12.4 Clergy
 - 9.3 Homemaker
 - 7.0 Clerical & related workers
 - 3.9 Physician, dentist, veterinarian
 - 2.3 Other religious professional
 - 5.5 Other
96. What is or was the occupation of your spouse or partner's father?
- 27.8% All other professionals
 - 22.2 Managers & administrators
 - 11.1 Clergy
 - 8.7 Farmers
 - 7.9 Operatives & factory workers
 - 4.8 Teachers & professors
 - 4.8 Armed services, police, fire fighter
 - 3.2 Craftsmen & related workers
 - 8.8 Other
97. How many children of any age do you have, whether they live at home or elsewhere? Average=2.62 Median=2.0
98. Do you have any children *living at home*? (Please provide the ages of your children living at home starting with the eldest.)
- 37.1% None at home → Skip to Q100
 - Eldest child at home . . . Average=13.4 Median=14 years
 - Child number 2 at home Average=11.5 Median=12 years
 - Child number 3 at home Average= 9.6 Median= 9 years
 - Child number 4 at home Average=11.2 Median=10 years
99. Of your children who *live at home*, which ones participate at this or another congregation?
- | | <u>Does She or He Participate Here?</u> | | |
|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------|
| | <u>Participates Here</u> | <u>Participates Elsewhere</u> | <u>No</u> |
| Eldest child at home . . . | 94.2% | 4.3 | 1.4 |
| Child number 2 at home . | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Child number 3 at home . | 89.5 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| Child number 4 at home . | 83.3 | 16.7 | 0.0 |
100. In what state were you born?
- 16.7% Wisconsin 2.3 South Carolina
 - 10.6 Minnesota 2.3 Texas
 - 9.8 Pennsylvania 1.5 Georgia
 - 9.1 Ohio 1.5 Indiana
 - 7.6 Illinois 1.5 Maryland
 - 6.1 Iowa 1.5 Missouri
 - 5.3 Michigan 1.5 North Carolina
 - 3.0 California 1.5 North Dakota
 - 3.0 South Dakota 1.5 Washington
 - 2.3 New Jersey