Leader Survey

Local Church Code

A survey for people in ministry/ pastoral leadership roles

This survey is for anyone involved in ministry or pastoral leadership within a local church.

You may complete this paper survey, or the online version, any time in October or November 2016.

The goal of the Leader Survey is to support the development of effective and sustainable leadership in churches.

This survey is optional and confidential.

Only aggregated results for all leaders may be provided to your denominational leaders. No individual results are released.

Thank you for taking part!



A short section for non-staff

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This survey is in two parts.

PART A: A short section for <u>ALL</u> ministry/

pastoral leaders *e.g. Council members, elders, deacons, ministry team leaders etc.*

PART B: For ministry/pastoral STAFF only

Online option: faster and easier. Plus the number of leaders who can take part is unlimited.

Online Survey

1. Go to Leader Survey website

LeaderSurvey.ncls.org.au

2. Enter your Church Code (shown at the top of this form) to begin.

Paper Survey

- 1. Seal your completed survey in the Confidential Leader Survey Collection Envelope.
- 2. Return your survey along with your church's other surveys,

OR post directly to NCLS Research, Locked Bag 999, North Sydney NSW 2059.

Who should do the Leader Survey?

- the most senior leader at this local church (at minimum),
- the person most involved with this local church (if in a team)
- Ministry/pastoral leaders who contribute significant time or who help to set directions both staff and non-staff.

A first question

Q. Are you part of a multi-site church (e.g. parish, multi-campus)?



No No

Below please write the name/s of each local church site where you provide leadership.

Please complete this survey once only.

By completing the survey form you are consenting to take part in the research. Participants are unable to withdraw data after it has been submitted.

If, for any reason, a question causes distress please do not continue to complete the survey. If you would like to speak to a professional support person you can receive a referral anonymously by phoning us on (02) 9701 4479.

The protocol of the 2016 National Church Life Survey has been reviewed and approved by the Australian Catholic University (Human Research Ethics Committee). Individual results are confidential. Overall results will be supplied to denominational leaders, and used for research into views of church attenders and matters of church life. Any concerns about the use of this survey can be forwarded to Manager, Ethics, c/o Office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research), Australian Catholic University, PO Box 968, North Sydney, NSW 2059; resethics.manager@acu.edu.au

About You and Your Role 10. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? Yes 🗌 No 1. Which of the following best describes your position: 11. Where were you born? Where was your mother born? The minister, pastor or priest of this local church Where was your father born? ☐ The senior minister/pastor/priest of a ministry team here (Please mark an option in EVERY COLUMN) A minister, pastor or priest in a ministry team here (but not You Mother Father the senior minister) Australia A minister, pastor or priest of equal standing with others in a New Zealand ministry team here □ An interim minister, pastor or priest here Pacific Islands Great Britain A layperson serving as the principal leader here A layperson serving as a member of a leadership team Ireland (incl. N. Ireland) A bishop, minister, pastor, priest or layperson resourcing Italy Malta those who are ministering in several churches Other Southern Europe \square □ Itinerant minister, pastor, priest or lay leader \square Northern or Western Europe □ Other (*please specify*): Eastern Europe/former USSR Middle East/North Africa 2. What is the main context in which you perform your **Republic of South Africa** ministry? (Mark up to TWO options) Other Africa □ Local church □ School Mauritius \square □ Local community Hospital North America □ Denominational office □ Prison Central or South America □ Other (*please specify*): China/Hong Kong 3. Do any of the following descriptions apply to you? Korea (Mark ALL that apply) Vietnam \square Minister Lav person Philippines □ Pastor ☐ Member of a religious order India/Sri Lanka Priest □ Pastoral Staff (e.g. Associate, Other Asia □ Clergy administrator Youth, etc) Don't know A ministry coordinator 🗌 Elder □ Deacon Council Chair or Member (e.g. 12. Describe the overall vitality of this local church. □ Ordained Board, church/parish council) □ I am not sure this local church will survive much longer □ Accredited U We are struggling but still viable Other (*please specify*): U We are stable U We are strong and steady 4. Are you paid a salary/receive a stipend for your role here? U We are thriving □ No, but some allowances for work ☐ Yes, full payment □ Yes, partial payment □ No, nothing at all 13. Does this local church have a clear vision, goals or 5. In what year were you born? direction for its ministry and mission? Please write the year in the squares: □ I am not aware of such a vision, goals or direction There are ideas but no clear vision, goals or direction 6. What is your gender? Yes, and I am strongly committed to them □ Female □ Male Yes, and I am partly committed to them NB: If you identify as 'Other', this option is in the online survey. □ Yes, but I am not committed to them 7. What is the highest educational gualification you have completed? 14. How confident are you that this local church can □ Primary school □ Bachelor degree from achieve the vision, goals or directions it has set for itself? Some secondary school a university or equivalent □ Fully confident □ Don't know how confident I am Completed secondary school institution □ Partly confident □ The vision, goals or directions □ Trade certificate □ Postgraduate degree □ Not confident are not clear enough to me Diploma or associate diploma or diploma 15. Do you agree or disagree: 'I would support the 8. Do you currently have any other occupations apart from development of new initiatives in ministry and mission your work in ministry? (Mark ALL that apply) in this local church'? □ I have home duties/ □ I am semi-retired □ Strongly agree □ Disagree family responsibilities □ I am also studying □ Agree □ Strongly disagree □ A non-church related job □ No other occupations □ Neutral/unsure □ I have another job associated with a church (e.g. counsellor) □ I have another church-related job (e.g. regional ministry) 16. Overall, how well do you think this local church supports 9. At home, do you speak a language other than English? parents to raise their children in the Christian faith? English only Not at 5 Very 3 2 □ English plus other language(s) all well Ń - well A2 □ Non-English language(s) only

 17. Are you part of a leadership team at other people appointed to leadershi together regularly? Yes No (please proceed to question) 	p rol	es tł			 Do you agree or disagree with the following statements about yourself? (Mark one box on EACH line) 'SA' = Strongly agree, 'A' = Agree, 'N' = Neutral/unsure, 'D' = Disagree, 'SD' = Strongly disagree 									
18. How many people are in this leaders	hip t	eam	?	Peop	ole	31. I have a track record of starting SAANDSI new things								
19. Do you have a formal leadership role no leadership role in the team?	e, an	info	rmal			32. I would describe myself as SA A N D SI entrepreneurial I I I I I								
 A formal leadership role in the team An informal leadership role in the team I do not have a leadership role in the team 						33. I encourage innovation and creative thinkingSAANDSIImage: Construction of the second secon								
Thinking about this leadership team you	ı hav					34. I see potential opportunities where SA A N D SI others see a dead end Image: Comparison of the set of the								
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21. Team leader(s) encourage us to build relationships with each other	SA	A	N	D	SD	37. I would rather not have to deal with developing new directionsSAANDSIImage: SIImage: SIImage: SIImage: SIImage: SIImage: SIImage: SI								
22. We provide feedback to each other	SA	A	N	D	SD	38. I think that the organisational SA A N D SI structure of this local church hinders								
23. There are clear expectations for how team members should communicate with each other	SA □	A	N	D	SD	the ministry and mission rather than helps it								
24. Team leader(s) encourage us to express our ideas and opinions	SA □	A	N	D	SD	39. How would you rate your overall effectiveness in your present role here over the last few months? Very 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Very								
25. Team leader(s) encourage us to suggest improvements to our plans or the way to do things	SA	A □	N	D	SD	40. How stressed do you feel in your present role here over								
26. Tasks are clearly delegated to individuals or groups	SA	A	N	D	SD	the last few months? Very low 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Very high stress								
27. We make sure we use the particular expertise or knowledge of team members	SA	A	N □	D	SD	41. Which statement comes closest to your view of the Bible (Mark ONE only)								
28. Team leader(s) give others authority over decision-making and resources in some areas so they do not need to ask for approval	SA D	A	N	D	SD	 The word of God, to be taken literally word for word The word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historica and cultural context The word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historica context and the Church's teaching 								
29. We share leadership roles within the team	SA □	A □	N	D	SD □	 Not the word of God, but contains God's word to us Not the word of God, but is a valuable book An ancient book with little value today 								
 30. We all have different strengths to coor in daily life. Which of the following (Mark up to FOUR options) Listen: Listen deeply to others Connect: Build good relationships with Envision: Help people discover direction Explore: Help people creatively explore Inspire: Inspire commitment from othe Empower: Help others to make their coor Structure: Create clear, positive system Communicate: Generate clear reliable of Optimism: Build optimism and hope, entimes Act: Know the right moment to move to Resolve: To stay on course when things Learn: The ability to learn and grow from 	g do othe fres rs to ontrib s comr ven i o act s get	you ers h ide new outio muni n cha ion diffic	 An under the book with nucle value today Don't know 42. Do you identify with any of the following approaches matters of faith? (Mark up to TWO options) Catholic or Anglo-Catholic Pentecostal Charismatic Progressive Evangelical I do not identify with Moderate 43. What is the highest level of ministry qualification you have obtained? No formal qualification Degree in theolog Ministry A lay preacher's or other relevant certificate 											
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44. I need more training for my own spiritual journey	SA	A	N	D	SD	More About You					
45. I need more training for my ministry role here	SA □	A	N	D	SD	58. How many years have you been working with this local church?Years					
46. Which best describes <u>what happens</u> relation to decision-making? (<i>Mark t</i>				0 to 1	10) nior	59. How many years were you working with your previous local church? (Leave blank if not applicable)Years					
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47. Overall, how effective would you say council (or board, main leadership te Notatall 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7						61. Approximately how many hours in a typical week do you spend in congregational/ parish ministry?					
effective					tive	62. How many hours a week are you expected to/employed to spend in congregational/ parish ministry?					
 main leadership team, executive etc), do disagree with the following statements? (Mark one box on EACH line) 'SA' = Strongly agree, 'A' = Agree, 'N' = Neutral/united statements? 		agre	e or			63. How many churches/parishes meeting in different locations do you currently serve in ministry? Churches/parishes					
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49. Our council works harmoniously as a team	SA	A	N	D	SD	65. Have you completed an <u>NCLS Leader Survey</u> before (either on paper or online)? (<i>Mark ALL that apply</i>)					
50. Our council intentionally checks that what our church actually does aligns with our plans for future directions		A	N	D	SD	Yes, in 2011 Yes, in 2001 No Yes, in 2006 Yes, in 1996 Not sure					
51. We have the skills and experience on our council to match what we need to take this church forward	SA	A	N	D	SD	66. Where were you a leader when you last did an NCLS Leader Survey? Here Elsewhere (please write below) Not applicable					
52. Our council has clear methods for monitoring our church's progress against our goals	SA	A	N	D	SD	Suburb/town: State: Denomination: Church Name:					
53. Our council understands the legal obligations relevant to our church	SA □	A	N	D	SD	NB: This information will only be used to link datasets using church code. No individuals will be identified.					
54. There exists a clear governing structure for this church with unambiguous roles and responsibilities	SA □	A	N	D	SD	67. Which term best describes your present marital status? Never married In first marriage Remarried after divorce Divorced					
55. This church has a clear process for reviewing pastoral staff (including senior clergy)	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	 Remarried after widowed Widowed Widowed Widowed Widowed 					
56. Our council is active in seeking new resources (such as finances, people skills etc) for our church	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 employment in the years before you began? Professional working mainly with people (e.g. teacher, lawyer Professional working primarily in technological fields Office, trade or other kind of worker - supervising others 					
57. Our church creates good and clear systems for how we operate	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 Office, trade or other kind of worker - not supervising others Home duties/family responsibilities Retired Unemployed/never had a job 					
If you are not pastoral staff o your ministry role, you car Thank you for your hel	n sto	p h	ere		 Student Not applicable (not full-time) 69. In the last 2 years when someone in the local church needed a personal contact, have you been able to make a comparation for the max 						
	-]	connection for them? Not in the past 2 years Several times Once or twice Frequently					

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71. I believe I inspire people to action	SA □	A	N	D	SD							
72. I encourage attenders to use their gifts and skills	SA □	A	N	D	SD	84.	Using the idea of a 'life cycle', fits your opinion of the stage					У
73. I take every opportunity to communicate our local church's vision at our usual activities	SA □	A	N	D	SD		(Mark ONE only) Incubation and initial formation Early days/start-up Growth	n 	_ Rebi _ Decl _ Don		/	
74. I put a lot of effort into helping us develop a positive vision for the future	SA □	A	N	D	SD		Maturity/stabilisation					
75. I keep this local church strongly focused on connecting with people in the wider community	SA □	A	N	D	SD	85.	Please estimate how many ho devote to each task listed bel where applicable.					
76. I prefer to seek consensus when making decisions	SA □	A	N	D	SD	a.	Preaching and worship leaders sermon/homily preparation, fu weddings)			g		
77. It is my role and responsibility to make decisions on behalf of this church	SA □	A	N	D	SD	b.	Training people for ministry an	d mis	sion		Hou	
78. I let our leadership and ministry teams generally manage themselve	SA s	A	N	D	SD	0	, O				Hou	rs
79. I encourage knowledge and information about this church to be widely available within the church	SA □	A	N	D	SD	86.	How many times would you p (service of worship) in a year If you never preach, write zero he	?	n at a c	hurch	servic	e
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	Do you have a strong sense of belong church(es) in which you serve? Yes, a strong sense of belonging, which Yes, a strong sense - about the same as I Yes, although perhaps not as strongly as No, but I am new here No, and I wish I did by now No, but I am happy as I am Don't know/not applicable	is gro ast y	owin ear	g		 mostly focused on? (Mark up to THREE options) Faith: an alive and growing Faith Worship: vital and nurturing Worship Belonging: strong and growing Belonging Vision: a clear and owned Vision Leadership: inspiring and empowering Leadership Innovation: imaginative and flexible Innovation Service: practical and diverse Service Faith-sharing: willing and effective Faith-sharing Inclusion: intentional and welcoming Inclusion 									
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89.	This local church is always ready to try something new	SA □	A	N	D	SD	103. Deepens people's relationship with God								
90.	This church recognises people for their good ideas	SA	A	N	D	SD	104. A clear sense of mission								
91.	This church shares its ideas and	SA	A	N	D	SD	105. Excitement about the local								
	encourages their reuse by other groups						106. Always ready to try something new 🛛 🖓 🖓 🖓								
92.	Our church community makes it	SA	А	Ν	D	SD	107. A positive force in the community								
02	easy for people to suggest new ideas This church is good at developing	SA	A	N	D	SD	108. Works for social justice/advocacy								
23.	and managing risky innovative ideas						How well does your local church								
94.	This church communicates clearly why some ideas are implemented and others are not	SA □	A	N	D	SD	(Mark one on EACH line)rial digvery at all109. Incorporate new members into church life1234								
95.	This local church is willing to risk putting time and financial resources into new ideas	SA	A	N	D	SD	110. Seek out and use the gifts of members of all ages								
96.	This church has a culture of	SA	Α	Ν	D	SD	111. Build strong, healthy relationships								
97.	evaluation In this church we learn from	SA	A	N	D	SD	112. Manage disagreements in a healthy respectful manner								
98.	everything we do The leaders of this church tend to uphold existing ways of doing things	SA	A	N	D	SD	113. Address social concerns (helping those in need)								
99.	There are people in this church who	SA	A	N	D	SD	114. Equip members to share their faith with others								
	wish to try new initiatives in ministry and/or mission						115. Interact with the local community 🛛 🖛 🖛 🕬								
							116. Help members live out their faith in their daily lives								
	What are your local church's key chall innovations? (Mark ALL that apply) Lack of ideas for innovation Lack of funding Lack of staff time Lack of staff skills/expertise Lack of needed technology Lack of a good justification for acting Resistance/disinterest from staff or leade Resistance/disinterest from church mem Resistance/disinterest from local commu Our heritage or tradition discourages ch Our local church is too big to allow char Our local church is too small to allow ch Other	ershi ibers unity ange ige o	p mer e or inn	nber	 117. Do you have someone with whom you can be completely honest, and who supports you in your daily life and work? No, I do not Yes, two other people Yes, one other person Yes, three or more other people 118. How familiar are you with the National Church Life Survey and the work of NCLS Research? I've not heard of the NCLS before today Not at all familiar Slightly familiar Familiar Very familiar 										
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120	During busy times my personal time with God is often the first thing to go	SA	A	N	D	SD	143.		n from others in	SA □	A	N	D	SD
121	There is a marked gap between my aspirations and what I actually do	SA □	A	N	D	SD	144.	find it very ha	ple in my church I rd to cross as their ns so much to me	SA □	A	N	D	SD
122	. I do not take days off as regularly as I should	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	145.	l am frustrate	d with the lack of ate spiritual practice	SA	A	N	D	SD
123	I know what the purpose is for my life	SA	A	N	D	SD □	146	have in the re		SA	A	N	D	SD
124	Most days I spend time alone in private devotional activities (prayer,	SA	A	N	D	SD		live out what	matters to me					
125	Bible reading) I feel annoyed when people don't	C A	_	N				tend to take it	· ·	SA □	A	N	D	SD □
	treat me with the authority I'm supposed to have in my role here	SA □	A		D	SD □	148.	-	y leadership role any other interests	SA □	A	N	D	SD
126	I have a strong calling on my life	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	149.	There is a goo this local chu	d match between ch and my	SA	A	N	D	SD
127	The local church and I disagree on my role here	SA □	A	N	D	SD	150	leadership . If I know there	e's unrest at church	SA	Δ	N	D	SD
128	l find it hard to make and keep close friends	SA □	A	N	D	SD		either	uch peace personally					
129	. I don't have a good sense of what I'm trying to accomplish in life	SA □	A	N	D	SD	151.		ersonal time with ing sermons or othe burch	SA r □	A	N	D	SD
130	I often find I have a lack of time for recreation, relaxation or other activities	SA □	A	N	D	SD	152.	The quality of practice has in time in minist	nproved over my	SA □	A	N	D	SD
131	l often find it hard to maintain good spiritual practice	SA	A	N	D	SD	153.	. My hopes abo	out who I would like being developed	SA	A	N	D	SD
132	I manage to keep good boundaries between work and the rest of my life	SA	A	N	D	SD	154	because of th	e pressures of work trong sense of	SA	A	N	D	SD
133	I do not have the ability to switch off from my role when at home	SA	A	N	D	SD		purpose	encouraging to get					
134	My personal sense of being called to my ministry is a source of comfort in hard times	SA □	A	N	D	SD	133.	-	not get it I can still	SA □	A □	N	D	SD
135	I always feel loved and cared for by people in this local church	SA	A	N	D	SD		- · ·	lestions about your r		-	s, ple	ease	
136	. Without encouragement from others I find it really hard to keep going	SA	A	N	D	SD		. I feel I can tall	the question is not a		A	N	D	SD
137	I have a strong and growing circle of close friends from whom I get a	SA	A	N	D	SD	157.	my deepest p . My marriage l	roblems nas been adversely	SA	A	N	D	□ SD
120	great deal of support					SD	158.		y ministry role here does not permit me					
	I have a strong sense of call to my role here	SA □	A □	N	D				quate time to my	SA □	A □		D	SD □
139	Much of my life seems to be spent on things that do not reflect what really matters to me	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	159.	. I always feel l by my close fr	oved and cared for iends	SA □	A	N	D	SD
140	I find it hard to keep my work life separate from other areas of life such as my home life	SA □	A	N	D	SD	160.		c to my close friends pest problems	SA □	A □	N	D	SD

About Your Faith	169	. How <u>important</u> is e	ach of t	he followiı	ng ex	xper	ienc	es to	
		your own faith?		_	Low	÷	lediun		High
161. How often do you spend time in private devotional		(Mark one on EACH	line)		1	2	3	4	5
activities (e.g. prayer, meditation, Bible reading alone)?	а.	Praying in tongues	5						
A few times a week Hardly ever Once a week Never	b.	Experiencing the h the Holy Spirit	ealing v	vork of					
162. Has this ever happened to you: suddenly and strongly	с.	Attending charism meetings	atic pray	/er-group					
you are aware of God, you sense that God is real, or you sense God's presence or God's power? Often Once	d.	Receiving the bapt Spirit	ism of tl	ne Holy					
□ Occasionally □ Never	е.	Being born again							
	f.	Prophesying							
163. Which of the following comes closest to expressing your belief about the Resurrection of Christ? (<i>Mark ONE only</i>)	g.	Praying in the Spir	it						
Christ was raised by God's power from death to life - really, bodily, physically	h.	Feeling moved by a description	a power	beyond					
 Christ 'rose from the dead', not literally, but in the Christian community's faith in God's power to give life Christ did not rise from the dead in any sense 	i.	Knowing I was surr	ounded	by a					
□ Don't know	j.	Passing moments of revelation	of divine	2					
164. Which of the following comes closest to your belief				h anna a d					
about the Virgin Birth? (Mark ONE only) Mary gave birth to Jesus without having had sexual	k.	Being grasped by a my control	-						
intercourse The Virginity of Mary is not meant to be taken literally; it is	Ι.	Feeling at one with							
a way of saying that Jesus is the Son of God	m.	Losing a sense of ti person	ime, pla	ce and					
165. Which of these is <i>most</i> important to you about receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion, Eucharist or Lord's Supper? (<i>Mark ONE only</i>)	n.	Losing my everyda being	y self in	greater					
 Recalling that Christ died for us Receiving the sacramental presence of Christ Sharing Christian unity in a common meal We do not have this sacrament Don't know 	sta 'SA	ease indicate how m itement. (Mark one b ' = Strongly agree, 'A' = A = Disagree, ' SD' = Strong	oox on E/ Agree, 'N' =	ACH line) = Neutral/un:	-	ree v	with	each	n
166. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view of God? (Mark ONE only)	170	I was driven to ask questions by a gro of the tensions in n	wing aw	areness	SA □	A	N	D	SD
 God is a person with whom people can have a relationship God is an impersonal force 	171	. My life experiences to rethink my relig	s have le	ed me	SA	A	N	D	SD
167. Do you agree or disagree: 'The denomination of this local church is an important part of my identity'?	172	. I value my religious uncertainties			SA	A	N	D	SD
□ Strongly agree □ Agree	173	. For me, doubting i			SA	А	Ν	D	SD
Neutral or unsure		part of what it mea	ns to be	religious					
 Disagree Strongly disagree 	174	As I grow and chan religion to grow an			SA □	A	N	D	SD
168. When you hear the term 'mission' in relation to the Church, which of the following do you usually think of?	175	. I am constantly que religious beliefs	estionin	g my	SA □	A	N	D	SD
(Mark up to THREE options) To me, mission means: Proclaiming the Word of God Being a witness to Jesus Christ through my actions Seeking justice for people who are poor and oppressed Talking about my faith in a personal way Caring for people in spiritual ways	176		ndparen EVERY C lother	its go to ch OLUMN) Father	nurch At	-	st on	e	1
 Converting people to Christianity Reaching out to people in the local area 		Yes, regularly Yes, occasionally				L]		
Reaching out to people in the local area		No]		
□ None of these things		Don't know/NA							

□ None of these things

About Your Well-Being

177.	Thinking about your own life and p			umsta No	nces,	please	mark th	e box t	hat be	st repre	esents	how	satis	fied y	you fe	el
	with your life. How satisfied are you (Mark one box on EACH line)	with	1 sa	tisfactio	n										omplete	
				at all 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		sa 9	itisfactio 10	n
a.	your life as a whole?			\square							Ĺ					
b.	your standard of living?]			
с.	your health?]			
d.	what you are currently achieving in lif	e?]			
e.	your personal relationships?]			
f.	how safe you feel?]			
g.	feeling part of your community?]			
h.	your future security?]			
i.	your spirituality or religion?]			
col	each statement below, please mark umn that best represents how you h <u>he last week</u> . (<i>Mark one box on EACH</i>	ave b	oeen fe				elt that					Not at all	Some	Cons erat	sid- Ver ple mu]	1
'No	the following options: t at all'; 'Some' = Some of the time; 'Conside t of the time ; 'Very much' = Very much, or mo N		the time			he ex	eart in t certion	he abs (e.g. se	ence of	on of m f physic heart ra g a beat	al ate]
178.	I found it hard to wind down	all	Some	erable	much			ed with	nout ar	y good]
179.	l was aware of dryness of my mouth						ason elt that	life wa	s meai	ningles	s]
180.	l couldn't seem to experience any positive feeling at all						genera cellent		d you s ery go	ay you	r phys] Goo		ealth		□ Poo	r
181.	I experienced breathing difficulty (e.g. excessively rapid breathing, breathlessness in the absence of physical exertion)					fo	llowing ood pre	g condi ssure	tions?	n g medi (<i>Mark A</i>] Anxie	LL the ty/str	a t app ess	oly)			
182.	I found it difficult to work up the initiative to do things				0	🗆 Di	nolester abetes epressio		[] Other] Other] No re	ment	tal hea	alth m	edic		
183.	l tended to over-react to situations									veek wo				enga	age in	
184.	l experienced trembling (e.g. in the hands)					at		air an n 1	2		al exe 4 □	5	6		7	
185.	l felt that I was using a lot of nervous energy					202. Ra	ate you	r overa	ll ener	gy level	ls on t	he sc	ale be	elow	•	
186.	l was worried about situations in which I might panic and make a fool of myself					Low	0 1	2	3 4	↓ 5	6	7	8		10 Hig	h
187.	l felt that I had nothing to look forward to					stater	nent. (/	Mark on	e box o	you ag on EACH e, 'N' = Ne	l line)		gree v	vith	each	
188.	I found myself getting agitated						isagree, '					insurc,				
189.	I found it difficult to relax					203. I f	eel dra	ined in	fulfilli	ng my		SA	А	Ν	D S	D
	I felt down-hearted and blue						nctions									
	I was intolerant of anything that									any wo istry he		SA	A	N		D
	kept me from getting on with what I was doing						atigue a y daily			are part	of	SA	A	N		D
192.	I felt I was close to panic									and the fire						
193.	l was unable to become enthusiastic about anything					-				satisfa ople her		SA □	A	N		
194.	I felt I wasn't worth much as a person						anning r ease do r			e						

207. l am i expla	nvaded by sadness I can't in	SA □	A	N	D	SD	229. What have been your voting patterns over the last 10 years in <u>lower house Federal</u> elections?
208. I deal	very effectively with the	SA	А	Ν	D	SD	□ Generally Labor □ I have frequently
	ems of the people here						 □ Generally Liberal/National Party voted differently □ Generally Greens □ I didn't vote
	eeling negative or cynical the people with whom I work	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	 Generally Family First Generally Australian Christians
	easily understand how the e here feel about things	SA	A	N	D	SD	 Generally Christian Democratic Party Generally One Nation
211. I alwa work	ys have enthusiasm for my	SA	A	N	D	SD	 Generally some other party or independents 230. In your opinion, to what extent is it generally possible
212. I feel	very positive about my try here	SA	A	N	D	SD	to trust people? People cannot Most
213. My hu tone	mour has a cynical and biting	SA □	A	N	D	SD	generally 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 people can be trusted be trusted 231. Have you taken part in training for civic actions,
	that my pastoral ministry has itive influence on people's lives	SA □	A	N □	D	SD	community development or community organising in the last 2 years?
	myself spending less and less with attenders	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 Yes, as an individual Yes, as part of a church group Yes, as part of another group or organisation
	that my teaching ministry has itive influence on people's faith	SA	A	N	D	SD	232. Have you made a specific commitment to people in
	been discouraged by the lack sonal support for me here	SA □	A	N	D	SD	developing countries? (Mark ALL that apply) Yes, personal relationships with individuals/groups Yes, a regular financial commitment
	my ministry is really cciated by people	SA	A	N	D	SD	 Yes, a regular prayer commitment Yes, through campaigns which tackle poverty or injustice Yes, another kind of link No links of this kind
attem	myself frustrated in my pts to accomplish tasks rtant to me	SA □	A	N	D	SD	233. What do you think are the <u>most important</u> ways for local churches to contribute to reconciliation efforts with
220. l am r minis	eally glad that I entered the try	SA	A □	N	D	SD	Aboriginal people? (<i>Mark up to TWO options</i>) Build intentional relationships with local indigenous Australians
	ess patient with people here used to be	SA □	A	N	D	SD	Financial donations to organisations/ministries that work with indigenous communities
	ninistry here gives real ose and meaning to my life	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 Prayer to support the spiritual work of reconciliation Disseminating information to the congregation/parish about indigenous issues
	becoming less flexible in my ags with attenders	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 Advocacy that furthers reconciliation and justice for Aboriginal people
-	a lot of personal satisfaction fulfilling my functions here	SA □	A	N	D	SD	Give practical assistance to the indigenous community locally (e.g. emergency relief, housing maintenance, provision of goods)
	e about my personal journey others in this church	SA □	A	N	D	SD	 Other (<i>please specify</i>): I don't think churches should be involved in reconciliation
	e in this church know a lot my personal spiritual journey	SA □	A □	N	D	SD □	efforts 234. Do you support or oppose changing the legal definition
							of marriage to allow same-sex marriage?
	About Your Views	5					Tend to support Strongly oppose
would	itics people sometimes talk of le I you place yourself on a scale fi s the left and 10 means the righ	rom (-			 Mixed feelings/Neutral Don't know 235. Do you support or oppose allowing same-sex couples to register their relationships as civil unions?
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228. How o	often do you discuss politics:	S	ome-				236. Should homosexuals be appointed to leadership positions
	your friends, relatives or	ten t	imes	Rare	ly N	ever	in the church on the same basis as heterosexuals? Yes, whether they engage in homosexual practices or not
b. With churc	people from this local						 Yes, but only if they do not engage in homosexual practices No Don't know
							I

237. Different denominations have various ordination of women to be ministers. What is your attitude?					250.	l should develop personal relationships with people from other religions	SA □	A □	N	D	SD	
 I support it enthusiastically I support it but not for our church I don't see any problem with it 							l should share my faith with people from other religions	SA	A	N	D	SD
 It is not appropriate for women to be on I don't support ordination for either metabolished to the support ordination fo			en			252.	l should convert people from other religions to Christianity	SA □	A □	N	D	SD
Unsure238. How often do you typically use any s	ocial	netv	vork	ina		253.	All religious groups in Australia should have equal rights	SA	A	N	D	SD
sites (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagr More than 5 times a day Once a v 1-5 times a day Never	am, l	.inke	dln)		254.	All the different religions are equally good ways of helping a person find ultimate truth	SA □	A	N	D	SD	
A few times a week239. What type of school do your children	atte	nd (c	or di		Humankind was created to rule over the rest of nature	SA	A	N	D	SD		
adult children attend)? (Mark ALL that apply in BOTH column			Se	256.	The non-human creation has its own way of praising God	SA □	A □	N	D	SD		
Governme Cathol	nt				,	257.	God is present in nature	SA	A	N	D	SD
Other Christian/church - low fe Other Christian/church - high fe Other low fe	e					258.	There is racial prejudice in Australia	SA	A	N	D	SD
Other how is Other high fe Home scho	ee					259.	Immigrants increase crime rates	SA	A	N	D	SD
Not applicable or no childre	en					260.	Immigrants improve Australian society by bringing in new ideas	SA	A	N	D	SD
240. Does or did your family receive a red \[Yes \] No \[Not applicable \]						2	and cultures					
Please indicate how much you agree or of statement (Mark one hox on FACH line)	disag	ree w	vith	each	1		Do you participate in any groups or specifically promote inter-religious Yes \Box No					
	statement. (Mark one box on EACH line) 'SA' = Strongly agree, 'A' = Agree, 'N' = Neutral/unsure,											
			262.	Which of the following statements c	omes	clos	est t	о уо	ur			
241. The churches should more actively promote the process of recon- ciliation with Aboriginal people	SA	A	N	D	SD D		attitude about migrants? (<i>Mark ONE</i> Migrants should adapt to fit in with cu Australian culture	rrent i	main	strea	im	
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 266. Do you believe that Christians have a responsibility to actively care for the environment? Yes, and I am very active No 							. I sense when others are a		SA C				
☐ Yes, and I am a little active ☐ Uns ☐ Yes, but I am currently not active	ure					282	. I pay attention to the emo others	otions	of SA				
267. Here are some statements that peop about the Church's role in terms of ca Which is closest to your point of view Caring for the earth	า.	 283. What year did you obtain your most recent theological qualification? (Leave blank if you have no formal qualification) 284. To what extent do you feel adequately trained and 											
 Should be an essential part of the missi Should be part of the mission of the Ch 	284	. To what extent do you fe equipped for ministry in			reas?	d and							
should have other, greater mission pric Should be a responsibility of the Churc be understood as mission	a.	Administration/finance	Not a all	t Poorly	To a basic level	Very well	Don't know						
 Should not be a priority at all in the life Don't know 	b.	Children's, families and youth ministry											
268. Which of the following statements b thoughts about climate change?	r	c.	Cross-cultural ministry										
 I don't think that climate change is hap I have no idea whether climate change 	is ha	pper	_			d.	Handling conflict situation in the church	ns					
□ I think that climate change is happenin fluctuation in Earth's temperatures	-		-		tural	e.	Leading a group through change						
I think that climate change is happenin humans are largely causing it	g, an	d l th	nink †	that		f.	Mentoring/coaching/ spiritual direction of othe	ers 🗌					
Below are items that relate to the culture						g.	Mission/outreach						
of the world. Please indicate the degree or disagree with each item. <i>(Mark one or</i>	n EAC		-	agre	e.	h.	Organisation manageme skills for church leadersh						
'SA' = Strongly agree, 'A' = Agree, 'N' = Neutral/un 'D' = Disagree, 'SD' = Strongly disagree	sure,				2	j,	Pastoral care/counselling						
269. Other cultures should try to be more	SA	Α	N	D	SD	j. k.	Teaching/preaching Understanding a						
like my culture 270. I am <u>not</u> interested in the values	SA	A	N	D	SD	N .	community (its make up and how it works)						
and customs of other cultures 271. Lifestyles in other cultures are not	L SA				L SD	2							
as valid as those in mine				D			e following Questions 285 c <u>iting Church</u> congregations					by	
272. I dislike interacting with people from other cultures	SA □	A	N	D	SD	285	. In the last three years, ha following to help you bee					he	
273. I would seek out friendships with people from different cultures in order to learn about their culture	SA □	A	N	D	SD		leader, teacher or educat Uniting Church mission/mi Uniting Church education/	or? (M nistry c training	ark ALL t	hat ap ces/wo	o ply) prkshoj		
274. I enjoy initiating conversations with someone from a different culture	SA □	A	N	D	SD		Presbytery workers/leaders Uniting Church theologica Conferences, workshops o	colleg			nicod	by	
275. I mostly associate with people from my culture because I find it easier than trying to figure out the right way of interacting with someone from a different culture	SA	A	N	D	SD		other churches/organisations Online resources (Internet) Audio or DVD or movie res One-on-one mentoring/co Other theological/Bible co	ons ources aching,	/spiritua	-		Uy .	
276. When I meet someone from a new culture I am very interested in finding out more about their culture	SA	A □	N	D	SD		Spiritual retreat workshop Reading Christian books/a	ticles	□ Otl □ No	ne of t	he abo		
277. I understand other people's feelings	SA □	A	N	D	SD	200	. Have you engaged in a no of church in the last 12 m pub/club based faith con	onths? versati	(e.g. M on grou	essy C p, spo	hurch, orting l		
278. I try to understand other people's behaviour	SA	A	N	D	SD		faith group, Godly Play, e Yes, as a participant/attend Yes, as a supporter/helper	ler 🗌	irk ALL t Yes, as No	-		leader	
279. I take other people's habits into	SA	A	N	D	SD		i res, as a supporter/neiper		INU				
consideration	SA			D	SD		Thankyyayyar	uch f	0.000		lo to	davi	
280. I sense when others get irritated							Thank you very m	ucnt	or yol	ar ne	ip to	uay!	