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A STUDY OF WOMEN
IN THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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A STUDY OF WOMEN
IN THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

There is an increasing interest in the role of women in the Seventh-day Adventist church. Any study of this subject must necessarily give consideration to the attitudes and behaviors of the women themselves.

From 1980-1982, the Institute of Church Ministry conducted church growth surveys in a number of conferences. A large amount of information was collected which revealed the attitudes and practices of church-attending Adventists toward their local church and its mission to the community.

This report is a secondary analysis of the data. It seeks to compare the differences between the profiles of the women and the profiles of the men who responded to the questionnaires in several of these church growth surveys.

The following profiles will be displayed:

4530	Oregon Women	2998	Oregon Men
565	Pennsylvania Women	371	Pennsylvania Men
705	Illinois Women	498	Illinois Men
678	Hawaiian Women	480	Hawaiian Men
297	Georgian Women	213	Georgian Men
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6775	Women	4560	Men

This sample of over 11,000 active Adventists, drawn from widely separated sections of the United States, provides a substantial base from which to understand the differences -- if any -- between the attitudes and behaviors of men and women.

In addition the 4530 Oregon women (the largest group) and the 2998 Oregon men have been sub-divided into five age categories: 19 years or under, 20-35 years, 36-50 years, 51-65 years, and over 65 years. While the youngest group has only 10 percent of the women and 11 percent of the men included, the others contain approximately the same number, ranging from 20 to 25 percent. These ten profiles are also included so that it can be determined if the characteristics of women differ across age categories.

Comments

A comparative analysis of the responses of men and women in Illinois, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Hawaii, and Georgia indicate a number of significant differences.

Women tend to feel better about their relationship with Christ and are more sure about eternal life. Although slightly more men feel better prepared for soul winning activities, conduct Bible studies and attended witnessing training, more women set a personal soul-winning goal, are involved in community outreach programs, and study the Bible more often.

There's a slight difference in attitudes toward evangelism. Men would like the conference to spend more on evangelism and yet women find their local church more soul-winning.

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OREGONWOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 4530

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.	Less than 1 year 4%	1-5 years 14%	6-10 years 10%	11-20 years 17%	Over 20 years 55%			
2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?				Yes 62%	No 38%			
3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.			None 1%	1 4%	2 27%	3 33%	4 36%	5 Intimate
4. What number shows your assurance that you have eternal life?			Not sure 3%	1 4%	2 16%	3 26%	4 51%	5 Very certain
5. To what extent have you attended Adventist schools?			Not at all					All the way
A) Elementary				1 56%	2 6%	3 5%	4 7%	5 26%
B) Academy				1 55%	2 6%	3 5%	4 5%	5 28%
C) College				1 69%	2 7%	3 5%	4 4%	5 16%
6. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on soul-winning.			Little importance 1%	1 4%	2 18%	3 25%	4 52%	5 Top priority
7. How do you feel about the amount of money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.			Too much spent 3%	1 6%	2 44%	3 26%	4 22%	5 Should spend more
8. How well prepared are you for the work of soul-winning? Circle a number.			Not at all 12%	1 30%	2 41%	3 13%	4 4%	5 Very well
9. Have you been engaged in some type of soul-winning during the past twelve months?				Yes 57%				No 43%
10. Do you hold a church office or other position of service?				55%				45%
11. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?				22%				78%
12. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?				45%				55%
13. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist during the past twelve months?				20%				80%
14. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?				15%				85%
15. How much do you agree with these statements? Circle the number.			Disagree strongly					Agree strongly
A) My immediate family helps my relationship with Christ.				1 7%	2 9%	3 24%	4 19%	5 41%

PROFILE 1

B) I would feel comfortable bringing a visitor to our sabbath school.	1	2	3	4	5
	5%	5%	14%	19%	57%
C) Most sabbath sermons are interesting.	1	2	3	4	5
	4%	4%	15%	24%	53%
D) We have generally had good experience with public evangelism in this church.	1	2	3	4	5
	6%	11%	37%	23%	23%
E) Our church should join with other Adventist churches to hold crusades.	1	2	3	4	5
	12%	11%	32%	17%	29%
F) People who are brought into the church in evangelistic meetings just do not stay.	1	2	3	4	5
	13%	17%	47%	17%	7%
G) I can speak easily about my faith.	1	2	3	4	5
	4%	9%	27%	25%	34%
H) People in our community have a high opinion of our church.	1	2	3	4	5
	3%	6%	37%	31%	23%

16. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

Unaware of any	One	Two to five	Six to ten	More than ten
71%	14%	13%	1%	1%

17. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

- DA - Doesn't apply
- N - Never
- S - Sometmes
- U - Usually
- A - Always

	DA	N	S	U	A
A) Daily personal Bible Study	4%	4%	29%	35%	28%
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	4%	4%	29%	23%	40%
C) Study of Ellen White books	4%	7%	44%	24%	20%
D) Financial support for local soul-winning	10%	10%	33%	24%	24%
E) Attending prayer meeting	12%	31%	34%	12%	11%
F) Meeting regularly with a small study or fellowship group	16%	39%	26%	9%	10%
G) Helping neighbors with their personal problems	9%	14%	43%	19%	15%
H) Daily family worship	10%	13%	26%	19%	31%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	6%	5%	32%	33%	25%
J) Attending Sabbath School	2%	1%	5%	16%	75%
K) Tithing	3%	2%	8%	9%	78%
L) Working to win non-Adventist relatives	8%	8%	28%	19%	36%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

A) Soul-winning church	No	1	2	3	4	5	Yes
	2%	6%	35%	28%	28%		

E) Adventist standards	Low	1	2	3	4	5	High
		1%	3%	25%	36%	35%	
C) Friendliness	Cold and unfriendly	1	2	3	4	5	Warm and friendly
		1%	4%	19%	27%	48%	
E) New members	Ignored	1	2	3	4	5	Involved
		2%	6%	27%	30%	35%	
F) Feelings towards church people	I don't fit in	1	2	3	4	5	My kind of people
		3%	4%	21%	27%	45%	
19. Do you have close friends who are not Adventists?	None	1	2	3	4	5	Many
		3%	6%	39%	18%	34%	
20. Where do you presently send your children to school?	SDA schools						No school-age children
	26%						67%
21. Do Adventist pastors stay at a church?	Too short?						Too long a time?
	34%						3%
22. Circle the number of the age group you are in.							
	19 years or under	20-35 years	36-50 years	51-65 years	Over 65 years		
	10%	25%	22%	20%	22%		
23. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.							
	Under \$8,000	\$8,001 to \$16,000	\$16,001 to \$25,000	\$25,001 to \$50,000	Above \$50,000		
	25%	29%	27%	17%	3%		
24. Circle the number that shows your ethnic background.							
	Asian	Black	Spanish	White	Other		
	1%	1%	1%	95%	1%		
25. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.							
	Under 3 miles	4-10 miles	11-15 miles	16-25 miles	Over 25 miles		
	38%	44%	10%	6%	2%		
26. Your sex							
			Male	Female			
			0%	100%			

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GREGOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 2998

1.	Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.	Less than 1 year 5%	1-5 years 17%	6-10 years 11%	11-20 years 18%	Over 20 years 49%	
2.	Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?	Yes 63%	No 36%				
3.	Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.	None 1%	1 5%	2 29%	3 35%	4 30%	5 Intimate
4.	What number shows your assurance that you have eternal life?	Not sure 3%	1 5%	2 17%	3 25%	4 51%	5 Very certain
5.	To what extent have you attended Adventist schools?	Not at all					All the way
	A) Elementary	1 53%	2 5%	3 6%	4 8%	5 27%	
	B) Academy	1 56%	2 7%	3 5%	4 4%	5 28%	
	C) College	1 66%	2 8%	3 5%	4 4%	5 18%	
6.	Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on soul-winning.	Little importance 2%	1 4%	2 21%	3 28%	4 46%	5 Top priority
7.	How do you feel about the amount of money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.	Too much spent 4%	1 7%	2 37%	3 27%	4 25%	5 Should spend more
8.	How well prepared are you for the work of soul-winning? Circle a number.	Not at all 9%	1 27%	2 38%	3 18%	4 8%	5 Very well
9.	Have you been engaged in some type of soul-winning during the past twelve months?	Yes 62%	No 38%				
10.	Do you hold a church office or other position of service?	59%				41%	
11.	Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?	18%				82%	
12.	Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?	38%				62%	
13.	Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist during the past twelve months?	25%				75%	
14.	Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?	18%				82%	
15.	How much do you agree with these statements? Circle the number.	Disagree strongly 4%	1 7%	2 18%	3 23%	4 48%	5 Agree strongly
	A) My immediate family helps my relationship with Christ.						

PROFILE 2

B) I would feel comfortable bringing a visitor to our sabbath school.	1	2	3	4	5
	5%	5%	14%	23%	52%
C) Most sabbath sermons are interesting.	1	2	3	4	5
	4%	6%	18%	31%	41%
D) We have generally had good experience with public evangelism in this church.	1	2	3	4	5
	7%	14%	36%	23%	20%
E) Our church should join with other Adventist churches to hold crusades.	1	2	3	4	5
	13%	10%	28%	19%	30%
F) People who are brought into the church in evangelistic meetings just do not stay.	1	2	3	4	5
	13%	19%	45%	15%	7%
G) I can speak easily about my faith.	1	2	3	4	5
	5%	9%	24%	28%	33%
H) People in our community have a high opinion of our church.	1	2	3	4	5
	3%	5%	36%	35%	21%

16. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

Unaware of any	One	Two to five	Six to ten	More than ten
71%	11%	14%	2%	2%

17. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

- DA - Doesn't apply
- N - Never
- S - Sometimes
- U - Usually
- A - Always

A) Daily personal Bible Study	DA	N	S	U	A
	5%	6%	35%	31%	23%
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people					
	5%	8%	41%	21%	25%
C) Study of Ellen White books					
	5%	10%	46%	23%	17%
D) Financial support for local soul-winning					
	7%	9%	33%	27%	24%
E) Attending prayer meeting					
	11%	29%	37%	13%	10%
F) Meeting regularly with a small study or fellowship group					
	14%	40%	29%	9%	8%
G) Helping neighbors with their personal problems					
	7%	17%	46%	20%	11%
H) Daily family worship					
	8%	12%	33%	21%	27%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities					
	5%	6%	34%	32%	23%
J) Attending Sabbath School					
	2%	2%	5%	18%	73%
K) Tithing					
	3%	2%	10%	10%	74%
L) Working to win non-Adventist relatives					
	9%	13%	33%	21%	24%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

A) Soul-winning church	No	1	2	3	4	5	Yes
		3%	9%	38%	31%	19%	

E) Adventist standards

Low 1 2 3 4 5 High
1% 4% 26% 41% 28%

C) Friendliness

Cold and unfriendly 1 2 3 4 5 Warm and friendly
2% 5% 19% 34% 41%

E) New members

Ignored 1 2 3 4 5 Involved
2% 7% 27% 36% 29%

F) Feelings towards church people

I don't fit in 1 2 3 4 5 My kind of people
3% 5% 24% 33% 36%

19. Do you have close friends who are not Adventists?
None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
3% 7% 37% 19% 33%

20. Where do you presently send your children to school?
Public schools 29% No school-age children 62%
SDA schools 33% Too long a time? 4%

21. Do Adventist pastors stay at a church?
Too short? 33% About right? 63%

22. Circle the number of the age group you are in.
19 years or under 11% 20-35 years 27% 36-50 years 25% 51-65 years 19% Over 65 years 18%

23. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.
Under \$8,000 15% \$8,001 to \$16,000 28% \$16,001 to \$25,000 31% \$25,001 to \$50,000 22% Above \$50,000 4%

24. Circle the number that shows your ethnic background.
Asian 1% Black 2% Spanish 2% White 94% Other 2%

25. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.
Under 3 miles 34% 4-10 miles 44% 11-15 miles 12% 16-25 miles 7% Over 25 miles 2%

26. Your sex

Male 100% Female 0%

STOP 0

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FENN-WOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 565

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.
 Less than 1 year 6% 1-5 years 15% 6-10 years 11% 11-20 years 18% Over 20 years 51%

2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?
 Yes 43% No 57%

3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.
 None 2% 1 2 3 4 5 Intimate
 2% 3% 30% 26% 40%

4. What number shows your assurance that you are right with God?
 Not sure 1 2 3 4 5 Very certain
 4% 4% 27% 32% 33%

5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.
 No idea 1 2 3 4 5 Quite certain
 10% 13% 27% 23% 27%

6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.
 0-2 6% 3-4 7% 5-8 6% 9-12 6% 13-16 7% 17 & up 1%

7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?
 None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
 2% 9% 19% 11% 50%

8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.
 Too much spent 1 2 3 4 5 Should spend more
 5% 6% 32% 24% 33%

9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.
 Not at all 1 2 3 4 5 Very well
 12% 29% 37% 14% 7%

10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?
 Gradual growth 1 2 3 4 5 Growth explosion
 22% 12% 35% 15% 16%

11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?
 Yes 52% No 48%

12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?
 Yes 57% No 43%

13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?
 Yes 24% No 76%

14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?
 Yes 70% No 30%

15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?
 Yes 39% No 61%

16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?
 Yes 22% No 78%

17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?
 Yes 14% No 86%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:
 A) Soul-winning church
 No 1 2 3 4 5 Yes
 10% 12% 35% 18% 25%

B) Adventist standards	Low	1	2	3	4	5	High
		4%	6%	27%	29%	35%	
C) Friendliness		1	2	3	4	5	Warm and friendly
		4%	5%	16%	20%	54%	
D) Unity		1	2	3	4	5	Cooperative/unity
		8%	7%	25%	25%	35%	
E) New members	Ignored	1	2	3	4	5	Involved
		5%	6%	18%	24%	47%	

F) Feelings towards church people
I don't fit in 1 2 3 4 5 My kind of people

19. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

DA - Doesn't apply	DA	N	S	U	A
N - Never					
S - Sometimes					
U - Usually					
A - Always					
A) Daily personal Bible Study	2%	5%	32%	32%	29%
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	2%	4%	29%	22%	43%
C) Regular study of Ellen White books	4%	14%	54%	15%	13%
D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning	6%	10%	33%	24%	28%
E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group	10%	32%	34%	9%	15%
F) Help neighbors with their personal problems	4%	9%	47%	23%	18%
G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ	1%	1%	16%	25%	58%
H) Daily family worship	5%	16%	27%	22%	30%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	2%	5%	37%	32%	25%

20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:

A) Ministry to members	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority
	5%	4%	17%	25%	49%	
B) Soul-winning	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority
	2%	2%	16%	27%	54%	

21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

Unaware of any	72%
One	14%
Two to five	12%
Six to ten	1%
More than ten	1%

22. Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:

A) Not Christ-centered	1	2	3	4	5	Christ-centered
	1%	1%	7%	15%	76%	
	1%	2%	12%	20%	65%	Builds faith

C)

23. Circle the number of your overall evaluation of:

A) Your pastor

Not helpful	1	2	3	4	5	Helpful
	3%	17%	8%	17%	70%	

Not very effective	1	2	3	4	5	Very effective
	3%	27%	12%	23%	60%	

B) Your pastor's wife

Not very effective	1	2	3	4	5	Very effective
	3%	4%	15%	25%	53%	

24. Circle the number of the age group you are in.

19 years or under

9%

20-35 years

22%

36-50 years

22%

Over 65 years

23%

25. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000

33%

\$8,001 to \$16,000

28%

\$16,001 to \$25,000

26%

\$25,001 to \$50,000

11%

Above \$50,000

1%

26. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.

Under 3 miles

23%

4-10 miles

39%

11-15 miles

20%

16-25 miles

14%

Over 25 miles

3%

27. Your sex

Male

0%

Female

100%

STOP 0

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FENN-MEN

Number of surveys for this report = 371

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.

	6-10 years 15%	11-20 years 19%	Over 20 years 39%
	Yes 44%	No 56%	
2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?

	1-5 years 16%	6-10 years 15%	Over 20 years 39%
	Yes 44%	No 56%	
3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.

	None	Intimate
	1 2 3 4 5 1% 6% 30% 31% 32%	1 2 3 4 5 1% 6% 30% 31% 32%
4. What number shows your assurance that you are right with God?

	Not sure	Very certain
	1 2 3 4 5 4% 7% 22% 36% 30%	1 2 3 4 5 4% 7% 22% 36% 30%
5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.

	No idea	Quite certain
	1 2 3 4 5 10% 12% 27% 26% 24%	1 2 3 4 5 10% 12% 27% 26% 24%
6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.

	0-2	3-5	6-10	11-15	16 & up
	7% 57%	7% 12%	8% 17%	8% 17%	6% 3%
7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?

	None	Many
	1 2 3 4 5 2% 9% 19% 17% 53%	1 2 3 4 5 2% 9% 19% 17% 53%
8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.

	Too much spent	Should spend more
	1 2 3 4 5 6% 7% 35% 18% 34%	1 2 3 4 5 6% 7% 35% 18% 34%
9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.

	Not at all	Very well
	1 2 3 4 5 10% 22% 34% 23% 11%	1 2 3 4 5 10% 22% 34% 23% 11%
10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?

	Gradual growth	Growth explosion
	1 2 3 4 5 21% 15% 33% 15% 16%	1 2 3 4 5 21% 15% 33% 15% 16%
11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?

	Yes	No
	56%	44%
12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?

	Yes	No
	62%	38%
13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?

	Yes	No
	19%	81%
14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?

	Yes	No
	57%	43%
15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?

	Yes	No
	29%	71%
16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?

	Yes	No
	26%	74%
17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training Program?

	Yes	No
	17%	83%
18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

	Soul-winning church	Other
	A) 1 2 3 4 5 6% 24% 41% 17% 12%	1 2 3 4 5 1% 2% 3% 4% 5%

B) Adventist standards

Low	1	2	3	4	5	High
	3%	7%	28%	38%	25%	

C) Friendliness

Cold and unfriendly	1	2	3	4	5	Warm and friendly
	2%	5%	22%	30%	41%	

D) Unity

Divided and fighting	1	2	3	4	5	Cooperative/Unity
	7%	9%	28%	31%	26%	

E) New members

Ignored	1	2	3	4	5	Involved
	3%	8%	25%	32%	32%	

F) Feelings towards church people

I don't fit in	1	2	3	4	5	My kind of people
	2%	7%	24%	30%	37%	

19. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

DA - Doesn't apply

N - Never

S - Sometimes

U - Usually

A - Always

A) Daily personal Bible Study

DA	N	S	U	A
2%	6%	35%	33%	24%

E) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people

2%	7%	37%	27%	26%
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C) Regular study of Ellen White books

6%	16%	52%	16%	10%
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D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning

2%	10%	32%	27%	29%
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E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group

8%	32%	36%	13%	11%
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F) Help neighbors with their personal problems

4%	14%	44%	25%	14%
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G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ

1%	2%	22%	31%	43%
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H) Daily family worship

5%	17%	35%	19%	24%
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I) Witnessing in everyday activities

4%	6%	36%	33%	22%
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20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:

A) Ministry to members

Little importance	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority
	2%	5%	23%	30%	39%	

E) Soul-winning

Little importance	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority
	2%	4%	22%	20%	43%	

21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

Unaware of any

69%

One

10%

Two to five

17%

Six to ten

3%

More than ten

1

22. Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:

A)

Discourages	1	2	3	4	5	Builds faith
	1%	3%	13%	33%	50%	

B)

Not Christ-centered	1	2	3	4	5	Christ-centered
	1%	1%	8%	26%	65%	

Not helpful 1 2 3 4 5 Helpful
 1% 4% 9% 28% 58%

23. Circle the number of your overall evaluation of:

A) Your pastor
 Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 2% 5% 16% 32% 46%

B) Your pastor's wife

Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 3% 6% 23% 27% 41%

24. Circle the number of the age group you are in.

19 years or under 11%
 20-35 years 25%
 36-50 years 26%
 51-65 years 21%
 Over 65 years 16%

25. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 13%
 \$8,001 to \$16,000 35%
 \$16,001 to \$25,000 28%
 \$25,001 to \$50,000 21%
 Above \$50,000 3%

26. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.

Under 3 miles 20%
 4-10 miles 43%
 11-15 miles 20%
 16-25 miles 14%
 Over 25 miles 3%

27. Your sex

Male 100%
 Female 0%

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 ILLINOIS WOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 705

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.
 Less than 1 year 11% 1-5 years 19% 6-10 years 11% 11-20 years 18% Over 20 years 41%

2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?
 Yes 56% No 44%

3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.
 None 1% 2 6% 3 29% 4 29% 5 Intimate 34%

4. What number shows your assurance that you have eternal life?
 Not sure 4% 2 7% 3 22% 4 21% 5 Very certain 46%

5. To what extent have you attended Adventist schools?

A) Elementary Not at all 69% 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 All the way 16%
 B) Academy Not at all 65% 1 2 3 3 4 4 5 /All the way 21%
 C) College Not at all 70% 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 All the way 15%

6. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on soul-winning.
 Little importance 2% 3 3% 4 13% 5 27% 6 27% 7 55% 8 15%
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7. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.
 Too much spent 4% 2 4% 3 5% 4 37% 5 27% 6 27%

8. How well prepared are you for the work of soul-winning? Circle a number.
 Not at all 17% 1 2 2 28% 3 37% 4 13% 5 6% Very well 53%

9. Have you been engaged in some type of soul-winning over the past year?

Yes 53% No 47%

10. Do you hold a church office or other service position?

48% 52%

11. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?

27% 73%

12. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?

36% 64%

13. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?

24% 76%

14. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?

21% 79%

15. How much do you agree with these statements?

A) My family helps my relationship with Christ. Disagree strongly 11% 2 9% 3 24% 4 19% 5 37% Agree strongly
 B) I would feel comfortable bringing a visitor to Sabbath School. 4% 5% 14% 19% 57%
 C) Most Sabbath sermons are quite interesting. 1 2 3 4 5
 D) We have generally had good experience with public evangelism in this church. 1 2 3 4 5
 9% 11% 35% 20% 25%

E) Our church should join with other Adventist churches to hold crusades.
 1 2 3 4 5
 7% 9% 31% 16% 38%

F) People who are brought into the church in evangelistic meetings do not stay.
 1 2 3 4 5
 15% 17% 44% 15% 10%

G) I can speak easily about my faith.
 1 2 3 4 5
 4% 8% 27% 25% 36%

H) The Bible is dull and does not help me in life.
 1 2 3 4 5
 75% 7% 9% 3% 7%

16. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?
 One 16%
 Two to five 18%
 Six to ten 2%
 More than ten 1

17. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

- DA - Doesn't apply
- N - Never
- S - Sometimes
- U - Usually
- A - Always

	DA	N	S	U	A
A) Daily personal Bible Study	3%	5%	33%	32%	27%
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	5%	5%	33%	19%	39%
C) Regular study of Ellen White books	7%	12%	51%	19%	10%
D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning	10%	12%	32%	20%	26%
E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group	15%	34%	28%	10%	12%
F) Help neighbors with their personal problems	8%	12%	40%	22%	18%
G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ	4%	2%	20%	31%	43%
H) Daily family worship	11%	14%	26%	20%	29%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	6%	6%	36%	29%	23%
J) Attending Sabbath School	2%	2%	7%	19%	70%
K) Tithing	5%	3%	8%	10%	74%
L) Working to win non-Adventist relatives	9%	10%	29%	23%	30%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

	NO	1	2	3	4	5	Yes
A) Soul-winning church	3%	5%	28%	27%	37%		
B) Adventist standards	Low	1	2	3	4	5	High
C) Friendliness	Cold and unfriendly	1	2	3	4	5	Warm and friendly
D) New members	Ignored	1	2	3	4	5	Involved
E) Feelings towards church people	I don't fit in	1	2	3	4	5	My kind of people

19. How many of your close friends are non-Adventists?

None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
12% 17% 20% 13% 38%

20. Circle the number of the age group you are in.
19 years or under 11%

20-35 years 33%

36-50 years 28%

51-65 years 21%

Over 65 years 8%

21. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 16%

\$8,001 to \$16,000 21%

\$16,001 to \$25,000 26%

\$25,001 to \$50,000 31%

Above \$50,000 5%

22. Circle the number that shows your ethnic background.

White 72%

Spanish 15%

Black 3%

Asian 8%

Other 2%

23. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.

Under 3 miles 37%

4-10 miles 42%

11-15 miles 12%

16-25 miles 6%

Over 25 miles 4%

24. Your sex.

Male 0%

Female 100%

STOP 0

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ILLINOIS MEN

Number of surveys for this report = 498

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.
 Less than 1 year 11% 6-10 years 11% 11-20 years 18% Over 20 years 38%

2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?
 Yes 54% No 46%

3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.
 None 1% 2 6% 3 31% 4 34% 5 29%
 Intimate

4. What number shows your assurance that you have eternal life?
 Not sure 3% 2 6% 3 25% 4 23% 5 43% Very certain

5. To what extent have you attended Adventist schools?

A) Elementary

Not at all 1 2 3 4 5
 66% 4% 7% 5% 18% All the way

B) Academy

Not at all 1 2 3 4 5
 65% 4% 5% 4% 22% All the way

C) College

Not at all 1 2 3 4 5
 67% 6% 6% 5% 17% All the way

6. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on soul-winning.
 Little importance 2% 3 3% 4 18% 5 30% 6 47% Top priority

7. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.
 Too much spent 3% 2 6% 3 33% 4 26% 5 31% Should spend mor.

8. How well prepared are you for the work of soul-winning? Circle a number.
 Not at all 1 2 3 4 5
 10% 26% 35% 20% 9% Very well

9. Have you been engaged in some type of soul-winning over the past year?
 Yes 57% No 43%

10. Do you hold a church office or other service position?
 56%

11. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?
 25%

12. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?
 37%

13. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?
 33%

14. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?
 23%

15. How much do you agree with these statements?

A) My family helps my relationship with Christ.

Disagree strongly 1 2 3 4 5
 5% 7% 24% 24% 40% Agree strongly

B) I would feel comfortable bringing a visitor to Sabbath School.

1 2 3 4 5
 3% 5% 16% 25% 50%

C) Most Sabbath sermons are quite interesting.

1 2 3 4 5
 5% 7% 19% 27% 42%

D) We have generally had good experience with public evangelism in this church.

1 2 3 4 5
 8% 14% 31% 19% 27%

E) Our church should join with other Adventist churches to hold crusades.

1 2 3 4 5
6% 7% 26% 19% 42%

F) People who are brought into the church in evangelistic meetings do not stay.

1 2 3 4 5
12% 25% 35% 16% 12%

G) I can speak easily about my faith.

1 2 3 4 5
3% 8% 23% 24% 42%

H) The Bible is dull and does not help me in life.

1 2 3 4 5
71% 10% 8% 3% 8%

16. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

One
Unaware of any 15%
Two to five 17%
Six to ten 3%
More than ten 3%

17. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

DA - Doesn't apply

N - Never

S - Sometimes

U - Usually

A - Always

A) Daily personal Bible Study

DA N S U A

B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people

2% 5% 39% 34% 20%

C) Regular study of Ellen White books

3% 8% 42% 23% 23%

D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning

6% 15% 54% 14% 11%

E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group

5% 11% 31% 25% 27%

F) Help neighbors with their personal problems

9% 31% 33% 14% 12%

G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ

7% 15% 46% 22% 11%

H) Daily family worship

2% 3% 28% 28% 39%

I) Witnessing in everyday activities

8% 14% 32% 22% 24%

J) Attending Sabbath School

3% 6% 41% 30% 20%

K) Tithing

1% 1% 8% 20% 70%

L) Working to win non-Adventist relatives

4% 2% 11% 10% 73%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

A) Soul-winning church

No 1 2 3 4 5 Yes
2% 7% 34% 27% 30%

B) Adventist standards

Low 1 2 3 4 5 High
2% 4% 26% 38% 31%

C) Friendliness

Cold and unfriendly 1 2 3 4 5 Warm and friendly
1% 5% 24% 28% 43%

D) New members

Ignored 1 2 3 4 5 Involved
2% 9% 25% 28% 36%

E) Feelings towards church people

I don't fit in 1 2 3 4 5 My kind of people
3% 5% 19% 30% 43%

19. How many of your close friends are non-Adventists?

None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
13% 17% 22% 13% 34%

20. Circle the number of the age group you are in.

19 years or under 10%
20-35 years 34%
36-50 years 29%
51-65 years 21%
Over 65 years 6

21. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 13%
\$8,001 to \$16,000 19%
\$16,001 to \$25,000 27%
\$25,001 to \$50,000 35%
Above \$50,000 7

22. Circle the number that shows your ethnic background.

White 70%
Spanish 16%
Black 3%
Asian 9%
Other 2

23. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.

Under 3 miles 37%
4-10 miles 45%
11-15 miles 11%
16-25 miles 4%
Over 25 miles 3

24. Your sex.

Male 100%
Female 0%

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 HAWAII--WOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 678

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.

	6-10 years	11-20 years	Over 20 years
	16%	17%	38%
	Less than 1 year		
	6%		
2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?

	None	Intimate
	1%	5%
	6%	29%
	3%	39%
3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.

	None	Intimate
	1%	5%
	6%	29%
	3%	39%
4. What number shows your assurance that you are right with God?

	Not sure	Very certain
	1	5
	3%	41%
	6%	26%
	24%	4%
5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.

	No idea	Quite certain
	1	5
	8%	32%
	10%	24%
	26%	4%
6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.

	0-2	13-16	17 & up
	0	7%	2%
	57%	7%	7%
	2-4	9-12	13-16
	9%	7%	7%
7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?

	None	Many
	1	5
	2%	65%
	7%	12%
	14%	4%
8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.

	Too much spent	Should spend more
	1	5
	5%	34%
	6%	23%
	31%	34%
9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.

	Not at all	Very well
	1	5
	11%	15%
	21%	19%
	34%	3%
10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?

	Gradual growth	Growth explosion
	1	5
	21%	20%
	16%	14%
	30%	4%
11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?

	Yes	No
	59%	41%
12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?

	Yes	No
	56%	44%
13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?

	Yes	No
	37%	63%
14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?

	Yes	No
	68%	32%
15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?

	Yes	No
	42%	58%
16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?

	Yes	No
	27%	73%
17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?

	Yes	No
	29%	71%
18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:

	A) Soul-winning church	B) Other
	1	5
	4%	36%
	9%	21%
	30%	4%

B) Adventist standards	1 2%	2 4%	3 31%	4 28%	5 34%	High
C) Friendliness	1 2%	2 5%	3 15%	4 21%	5 56%	Cold and unfriendly Warm and friendly
D) Unity	1 3%	2 7%	3 26%	4 31%	5 34%	Divided and fighting Cooperative/unity
E) New members	1 3%	2 6%	3 18%	4 20%	5 44%	Ignored Involved
F) Feelings towards church people	1 2%	2 5%	3 17%	4 25%	5 51%	I don't fit in My kind of people

19. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

- DA - Doesn't apply
- N - Never
- S - Sometimes
- U - Usually
- A - Always

A) Daily personal Bible Study	DA	N	S	U	A
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	2%	7%	41%	26%	23%
C) Regular study of Ellen White books	2%	3%	32%	23%	40%
D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning	6%	13%	52%	16%	12%
E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group	5%	13%	31%	24%	28%
F) Help neighbors with their personal problems	8%	27%	35%	15%	16%
G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ	5%	14%	39%	21%	21%
H) Daily family worship	3%	3%	20%	25%	49%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	5%	11%	28%	19%	37%

20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:

A) Ministry to members	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority
B) Soul-winning	1	2	3	4	5	Top priority

21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

One	2%	3	4	5	Builds faith
Unaware of any	1%	2%	14%	17%	66%
Two to five	21%	Six to ten	2%	More than ten	1

22. Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:

A) Not Christ-centered	1	2	3	4	5	Christ-centered
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C) Not helpful 1 2 3 4 5 Helpful
 2% 2% 10% 15% 71%

23. Circle the number of your overall evaluation of:

A) Your pastor

Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 1% 3% 12% 22% 62%

B) Your pastor's wife

Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 4% 4% 16% 22% 54%

24. Circle the number of the age group you are in.

19 years or under 15%

20-35 years 26%

Over 65 years 14%

25. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 28%

\$8,001 to \$16,000 33%

Above \$50,000 3%

26. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.

Under 3 miles 35%

4-10 miles 38%

16-25 miles 7%

Over 25 miles 6%

27. Your sex

Male 0%

Female 100%

STOP 0

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HAWAII--MEN

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	6-10 years	11-20 years	Over 20 years
1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.	16%	16%	34%
2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?	26%		
3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.			
4. What number shows your assurance that you are right with God?			
5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.			
6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.			
7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?			
8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.			
9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.			
10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?			
11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?			
12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?			
13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?			
14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?			
15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?			
16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?			
17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?			
18. Circle the number which best describes your church group: A) Soul-winning church			

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B) Adventist standards	1 4%	2 5%	3 31%	4 28%	5 32%	High
C) Friendliness	1 2%	2 5%	3 18%	4 23%	5 52%	Warm and friendly
D) Unity	1 3%	2 8%	3 21%	4 31%	5 37%	Cooperative/unity
E) New members	1 3%	2 7%	3 18%	4 29%	5 43%	Involved
F) Feelings towards church people	1 2%	2 4%	3 19%	4 27%	5 48%	My kind of people

19. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

- DA - Doesn't apply
- N - Never
- S - Sometimes
- U - Usually
- A - Always

A) Daily personal Bible Study	DA	N	S	U	A
B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	2%	7%	37%	30%	23%
C) Regular study of Ellen White books	2%	7%	37%	21%	33%
D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning	7%	16%	47%	15%	15%
E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group	5%	10%	31%	21%	33%
F) Help neighbors with their personal problems	7%	10%	37%	15%	22%
G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ	5%	17%	39%	22%	18%
H) Daily family worship	2%	3%	24%	28%	43%
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	4%	9%	31%	22%	35%
20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:	2%	9%	35%	29%	25%

A) Ministry to members	1 2%	2 3%	3 14%	4 24%	5 56%	Top priority
B) Soul-winning	1 1%	2 4%	3 12%	4 24%	5 60%	Top priority

21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the Church in the last three years?

One 17%
Unaware of any 54%

A) Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:	1 1%	2 3%	3 13%	4 23%	5 60%
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B) Not Christ-centered	1 0%	2 3%	3 9%	4 18%	5 69%
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Not helpful 1 2 3 4 5 Helpful
 1% 3% 11% 19% 66%

23. Circle the number of your overall evaluation of:

A) Your pastor
 Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 1% 4% 13% 23% 58%

B) Your pastor's wife

Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 5% 8% 14% 25% 48%

24. Circle the number of the age group you are in.
 19 years or under 18%
 20-35 years 24%

36-50 years 21%
 51-65 years 21%
 Over 65 years 16%

25. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 20%
 \$8,001 to \$16,000 31%
 \$16,001 to \$25,000 28%
 \$25,001 to \$50,000 17%
 Above \$50,000 3%

26. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.
 Under 3 miles 34%
 4-10 miles 37%
 11-15 miles 14%
 16-25 miles 9%
 Over 25 miles 6%

27. Your sex

Male 100%
 Female 0%

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GA--WOMEN

Number of surveys for this report = 297

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.
Less than 1 year 5% 1-5 years 17% 6-10 years 12% 11-20 years 23% Over 20 years 42%

2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?
Yes 55% No 45%

3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.
None 0% 1 2 3 4 5 Intimate
0% 3% 27% 32% 38%

4. What number shows your assurance that you are right with God?
Not sure 1 2 3 4 5 Very certain
4% 5% 19% 35% 37%

5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.
No idea 1 2 3 4 5 Quite certain
9% 9% 25% 28% 29%

6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.
0-2 0 3-8 11% 9-12 16% 13-16 14% 17 & up 3%
4% 45%

7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?
None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
2% 17% 21% 12% 48%

8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.
Too much spent 1 2 3 4 5 Should spend more
2% 4% 40% 23% 31%

9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.
Not at all 1 2 3 4 5 Very well
10% 26% 43% 14% 7%

10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?
Gradual growth 1 2 3 4 5 Growth/explosion
20% 12% 36% 13% 19%

11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?
Yes 49% No 51%

12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?
62%

13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?
28%

14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?
64%

15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?
30%

16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?
20%

17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?
13%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:
A) Soul-winning church

No 1 2 3 4 5 Yes
4% 10% 37% 19% 29%

Low

1 2 3 4 5
3% 6% 33% 24% 33%

High

1 2 3 4 5
4% 5% 20% 22% 48%

Low

1 2 3 4 5
6% 8% 24% 35% 28%

High

1 2 3 4 5
4% 7% 21% 28% 40%

Low

1 2 3 4 5
4% 3% 21% 24% 47%

High

1 2 3 4 5
0% 1% 12% 13% 73%

Cold and unfriendly

1 2 3 4 5
4% 5% 20% 22% 48%

Divided and fighting

1 2 3 4 5
6% 8% 24% 35% 28%

Ignored

1 2 3 4 5
4% 7% 21% 28% 40%

I don't fit in

1 2 3 4 5
4% 3% 21% 24% 47%

Cooperative/Unity

1 2 3 4 5
6% 8% 24% 35% 28%

Involved

1 2 3 4 5
4% 7% 21% 28% 40%

My kind of people

1 2 3 4 5
4% 3% 21% 24% 47%

Christ-centered

1 2 3 4 5
0% 1% 12% 13% 73%

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DA N S U A

2% 2% 37% 34% 25%

2% 3% 35% 23% 38%

3% 9% 51% 20% 17%

5% 8% 41% 22% 25%

10% 35% 35% 11% 9%

7% 9% 42% 25% 18%

1% 1% 18% 26% 54%

4% 9% 29% 22% 36%

2% 6% 37% 29% 27%

1 2 3 4 5
2% 6% 16% 23% 53%

1 2 3 4 5
0% 3% 13% 22% 62%

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Two to five

1 2 3 4 5
2% 4% 18% 15% 62%

Discourages

1 2 3 4 5
2% 4% 18% 15% 62%

Not Christ-centered

1 2 3 4 5
0% 1% 12% 13% 73%

More than ten

1 2 3 4 5
1% 1% 12% 13% 73%

Builds faith

1 2 3 4 5
2% 4% 18% 15% 62%

Christ-centered

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E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group

F) Help neighbors with their personal problems

G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ

H) Daily family worship

I) Witnessing in everyday activities

20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:

A) Ministry to members

Top priority

B) Soul-winning

Top priority

21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?

Unaware of any

One 13%

Two to five 19%

Six to ten 2%

More than ten 1%

22. Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:

A)

Discourages

Builds faith

Discourages

Builds faith

Builds faith

B)

Not Christ-centered

Christ-centered

Not Christ-centered

Christ-centered

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Not helpful 1 2 3 4 5
 1% 6% 13% 17% 63%

C)

23. Circle the number of your overall evaluation of:

A) Your pastor
 Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 2% 5% 11% 26% 56%

B) Your pastor's wife

Not very effective 1 2 3 4 5 Very effective
 2% 7% 14% 23% 54%

24. Circle the number of the age group you are in.
 19 years or under 7%

36-50 years 23%
 51-65 years 23%
 Over 65 years 10%

25. Circle the number which shows your yearly family income.

Under \$8,000 13%
 \$8,001 to \$16,000 28%
 \$16,001 to \$25,000 20%
 \$25,001 to \$50,000 20%
 Above \$50,000 3%

26. Circle the number that shows the distance that you live from the church.
 Under 3 miles 10%
 4-10 miles 42%
 11-15 miles 28%
 16-25 miles 15%
 Over 25 miles 5%

27. Your sex

Male 0%
 Female 100%

STOP 0

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Number of surveys for this report = 213

1. Circle the number showing how long you have been a baptized Adventist.
Less than 1 year 10% 1-5 years 22% 6-10 years 8% 11-20 years 21% Over 20 years 40%

2. Was at least one of your parents an Adventist sometime during the first 12 years of your life?
Yes 55% No 45%

3. Circle the number indicating the relationship that you have with Jesus Christ.
None 0% 1 2 3 4 5 Intimate
0% 6% 26% 30% 37%

4. What number shows your assurance that you are right wih God?
Not sure 1 2 3 4 5 Very certain
4% 4% 20% 33% 39%

5. How certain are you about what your spiritual gifts are? Circle a number.
No idea 1 2 3 4 5 Quite certain
5% 10% 29% 25% 31%

6. How many years have you attended Adventist schools? Circle a number.
0-2 6% 2-4 13% 4-6 6% 7-9 14% 10-12 11% 13-16 12% 17 & up 3%

7. Do you have many non-Adventist friends?
None 1 2 3 4 5 Many
3% 12% 17% 14% 54%

8. How do you feel about the money the conference spends on public evangelism? Circle a number.
Too much spent 1 2 3 4 5 Should spend more
4% 6% 32% 21% 37%

9. How well prepared are you for the work of witnessing? Circle a number.
Not at all 1 2 3 4 5 Very well
8% 20% 42% 17% 13%

10. Would it be better for your church to double or triple its size in one year or grow more gradually?
Gradual growth 1 2 3 4 5 Growth explosion
11% 17% 33% 16% 22%

11. Have you been engaged in some type of witnessing program over the past year?
Yes 56% No 44%

12. Do you hold a church office or other service position?
62% 38%

13. Did you set a personal soul-winning goal this year?
19% 81%

14. Have you been working to win non-Adventist relatives?
59% 41%

15. Have you been involved in community outreach services (Dorcas, Stop Smoking, etc.)?
27% 73%

16. Have you held Bible studies with a non-Adventist this year?
29% 71%

17. Within the last year have you attended a witnessing training program?
20% 80%

18. Circle the number which best describes your church group:
A) Soul-winning church
No 1 2 3 4 5 Yes
5% 17% 40% 17% 21%

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B) Adventist standards	Low	1 3%	2 9%	3 25%	4 28%	5 34%	High
C) Friendliness	Cold and unfriendly	1 3%	2 7%	3 19%	4 26%	5 45%	Warm and friendly
D) Unity	Divided and fighting	1 6%	2 11%	3 19%	4 38%	5 27%	Cooperative/unity
E) New members	Ignored	1 2%	2 10%	3 15%	4 36%	5 37%	Involved
F) Feelings towards Church people	I don't fit in	1 3%	2 7%	3 20%	4 29%	5 41%	My kind of people

19. Circle the number which shows the degree that you have been involved in:

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B) Daily prayer for the conversion of specific people	1%	3%	41%	30%	25%	
C) Regular study of Ellen White books	1%	6%	42%	22%	28%	
D) Regular financial support for local soul-winning	3%	13%	48%	21%	16%	
E) Meet regularly with a small study or fellowship group	5%	10%	28%	26%	31%	
F) Help neighbors with their personal problems	7%	33%	41%	10%	9%	
G) Concern for those who have not accepted Christ	4%	15%	45%	21%	15%	
H) Daily family worship	0%	1%	24%	32%	42%	
I) Witnessing in everyday activities	5%	7%	40%	25%	22%	
20. Circle the number which shows the emphasis your pastor places on:	1%	3%	40%	31%	24%	
A) Ministry to members	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	Top priority
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21. How many people have you been wholly or partially responsible for bringing into the church in the last three years?	0%	3%	17%	28%	51%	More than ten
Unaware of any	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	Builds faith
22. Circle the number that best describes your pastor's sermons:	1%	7%	17%	30%	45%	Christ-centered
A) Not Christ-centered	0%	2%	10%	29%	60%	Christ-centered