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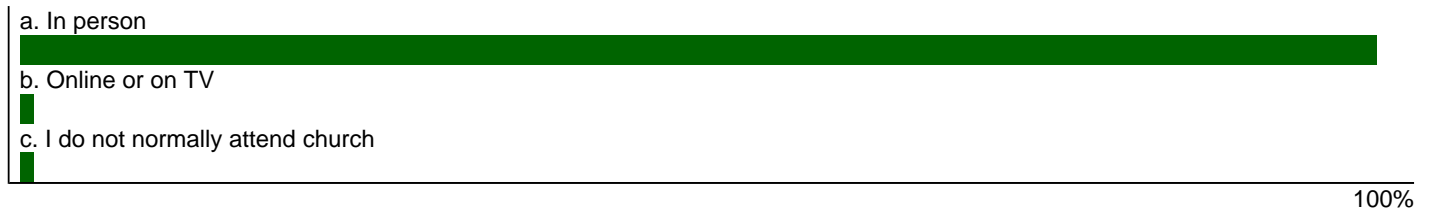
Report on Section A: About You

A1: How do you normally attend church?

130 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. In person	98.5%
b. Online or on TV	0.8%
c. I do not normally attend church	0.8%

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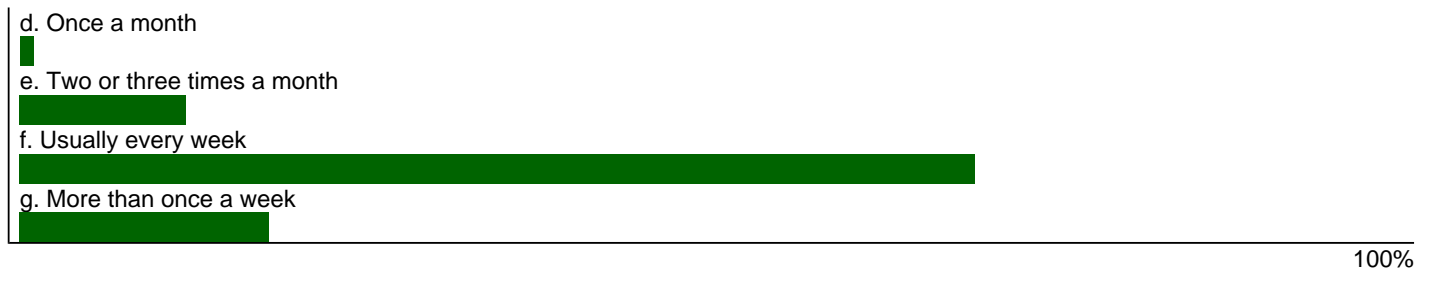


A2: How often do you attend church services (including online or on TV) at this church or somewhere else?

130 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. This is my first time	-
b. Never or hardly ever or on special occasions only	-
c. Less than once a month	-
d. Once a month	0.8%
e. Two or three times a month	11.5%
f. Usually every week	69.2%
g. More than once a week	18.5%

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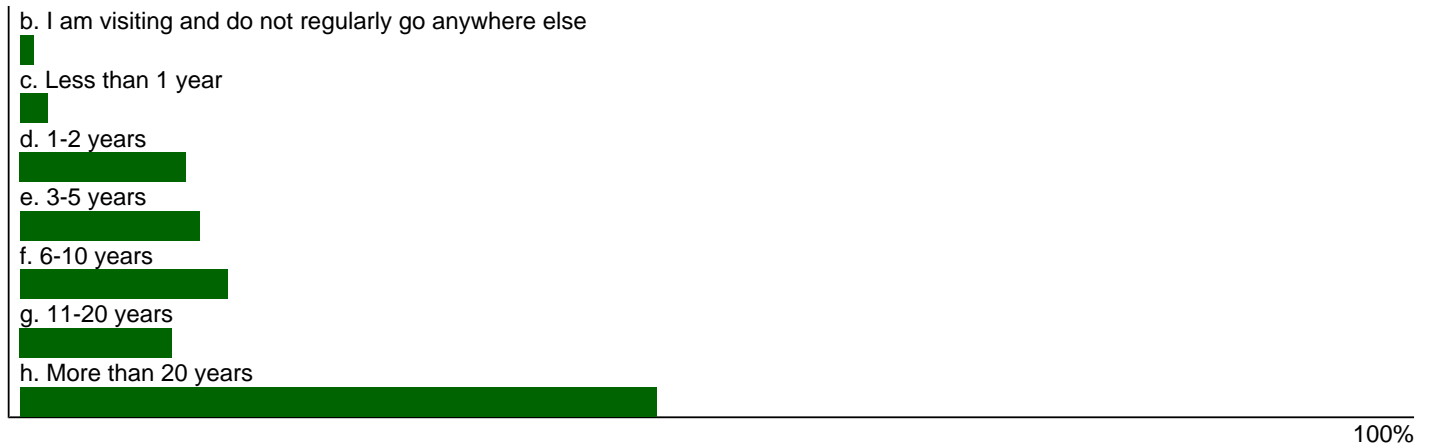


A3: How long have you been coming to church services or activities at THIS church?

130 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. I am visiting from another church	-
b. I am visiting and do not regularly go anywhere else	0.8%
c. Less than 1 year	2.3%
d. 1-2 years	11.5%
e. 3-5 years	13.1%
f. 6-10 years	15.4%
g. 11-20 years	10.8%
h. More than 20 years	46.2%

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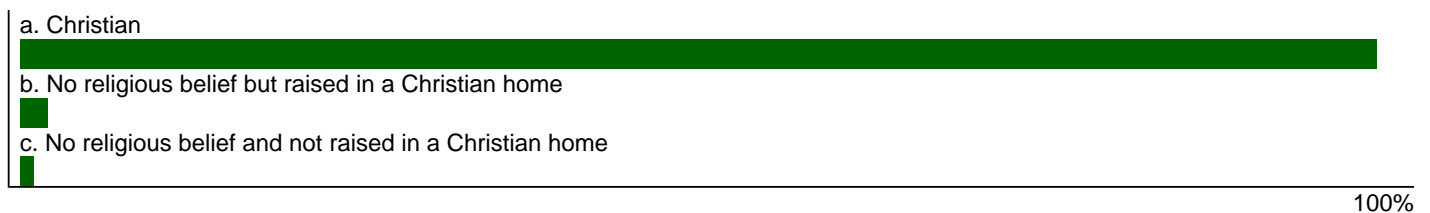


A4: Before you attended here (in person or online), what term best described your religious belief?

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Christian	97.7%
b. No religious belief but raised in a Christian home	1.6%
c. No religious belief and not raised in a Christian home	0.8%
d. Muslim	-
e. Hindu	-
f. Jewish	-
g. Buddhist	-
h. Spiritualism or New Age Religion	-
i. Other	-

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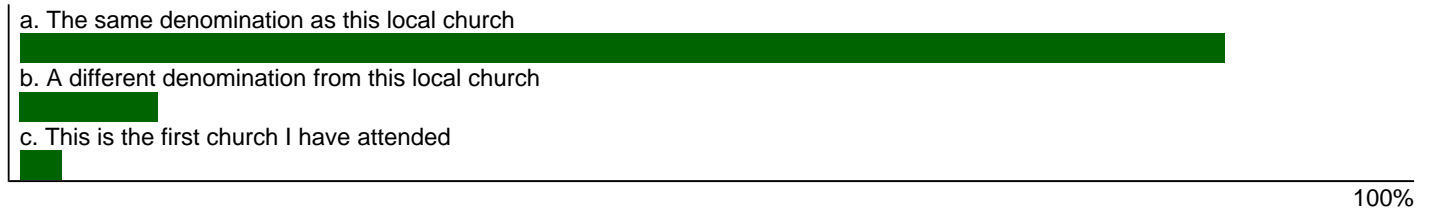


A5: Before coming here what was the denomination of your previous church?

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. The same denomination as this local church	86.6%
b. A different denomination from this local church	10.2%
c. This is the first church I have attended	3.1%

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A6: How old are you?

124 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Age group	Our Lady of the Valleys
15 - 24	2.4%
25 - 34	4.8%
35 - 44	8.1%
45 - 54	6.5%
55 - 64	16.1%
65 - 74	27.4%
75 - 84	24.2%
85 - 94	10.5%
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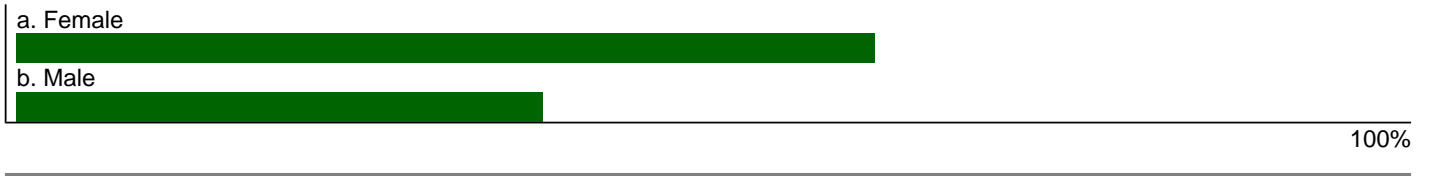


A7: What is your gender?

130 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Female	61.5%
b. Male	38.5%
c. Other	-

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A8: Which ethnic groups do you belong to?

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Maori	3.1%
b. European / Pakeha	78.1%
c. Samoan	3.1%
d. Cook Island	0.8%
e. Tongan	-
f. Fijian	-
g. Niuean	-
h. Other Pacific	2.3%
i. Chinese	0.8%
j. Indian	4.7%
k. Korean	-
l. Filipino	7.0%
m. Other Asian	1.6%
n. African	2.3%
o. Middle Eastern	0.8%
p. Latin American	-
q. Other	2.3%

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A9: Which country were you born in?

131 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Aotearoa / New Zealand	68.7%
b. Australia	0.8%
c. China/Hong Kong/Taiwan	-
d. Cook Islands	-
e. Fiji	-
f. India/Sri Lanka/Pakistan	3.8%
g. Korea	-
h. Philippines	6.9%
i. Samoa	1.5%
j. South Africa	1.5%
k. Tonga	-
l. United Kingdom	8.4%
m. United States	-
n. Other	8.4%

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A10: What is the highest educational qualification you have completed?

129 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. No formal qualification	12.4%
b. School certificate / NCEA 1	16.3%
c. NCEA 2/3 / Sixth form certificate / University Entrance / Bursary	10.9%
d. NZQA recognised trade certificate or equivalent training	7.0%
e. NZQA recognised tertiary diploma or equivalent	14.0%
f. Bachelors degree from a university or equivalent institution	23.3%
g. Post graduate degree or diploma	16.3%

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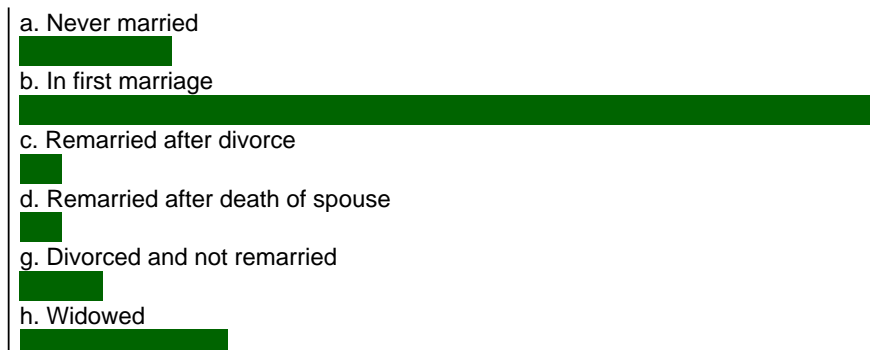
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A11: What term best describes your current marital status?

131 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Never married	10.7%
b. In first marriage	61.8%
c. Remarried after divorce	3.1%
d. Remarried after death of spouse	3.1%
e. In a defacto relationship or civil union	-
f. Separated but not divorced	-
g. Divorced and not remarried	6.1%
h. Widowed	15.3%

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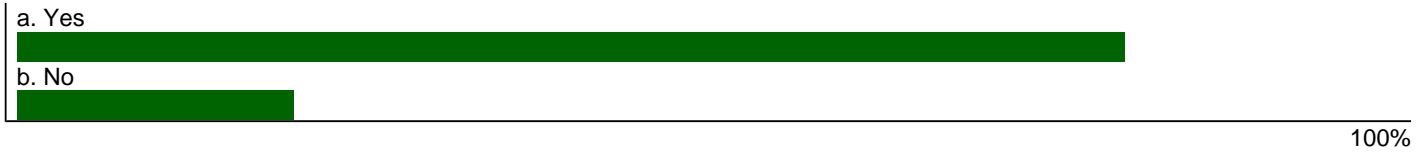
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A12: Does your spouse or partner attend this church?

87 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes	80.5%
b. No	19.5%

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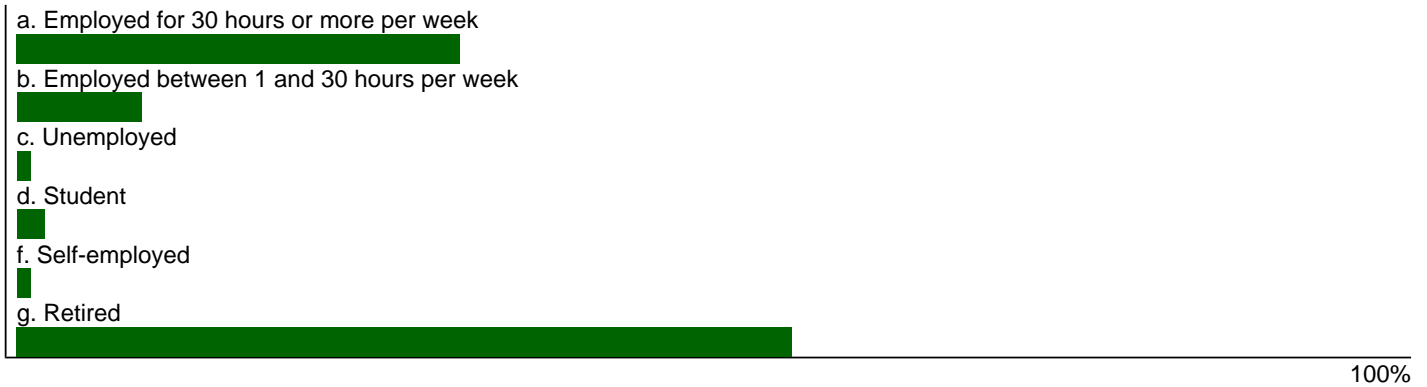
A13: What is your current employment status?

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Employed for 30 hours or more per week	32.3%
b. Employed between 1 and 30 hours per week	8.7%
c. Unemployed	0.8%
d. Student	2.4%
e. Full-time home duties / family responsibilities	-
f. Self-employed	0.8%
g. Retired	55.9%

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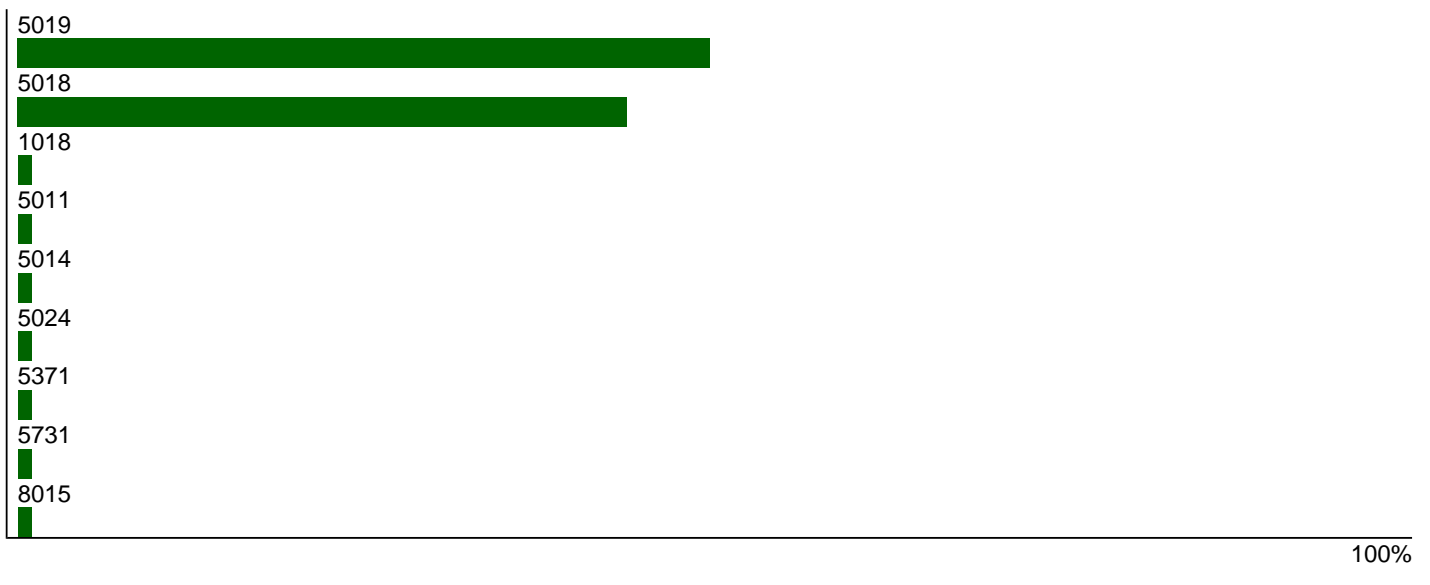


A14: What is the postcode of your usual (or current) residence?

117 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Postcode	Our Lady of the Valleys
1018	0.9%
5011	0.9%
5014	0.9%
5018	44.4%
5019	49.6%
5024	0.9%
5371	0.9%
5731	0.9%
8015	0.9%

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Report on Section B: You and This Local Church

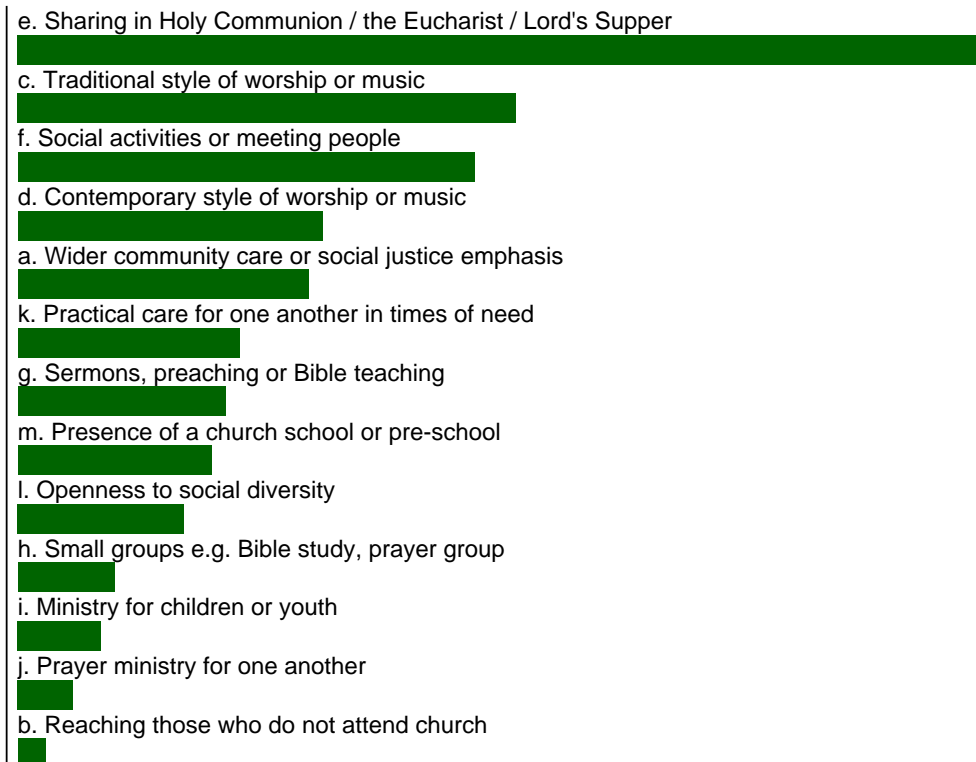
B1: Which of the following aspects of this local church do you most value?

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Wider community care or social justice emphasis	20.8%
b. Reaching those who do not attend church	2.4%
c. Traditional style of worship or music	36.0%
d. Contemporary style of worship or music	22.4%
e. Sharing in Holy Communion / the Eucharist / Lord's Supper	69.6%
f. Social activities or meeting people	32.8%
g. Sermons, preaching or Bible teaching	15.2%
h. Small groups e.g. Bible study, prayer group	7.2%
i. Ministry for children or youth	6.4%
j. Prayer ministry for one another	4.0%
k. Practical care for one another in times of need	16.0%
l. Openness to social diversity	12.0%
m. Presence of a church school or pre-school	13.6%

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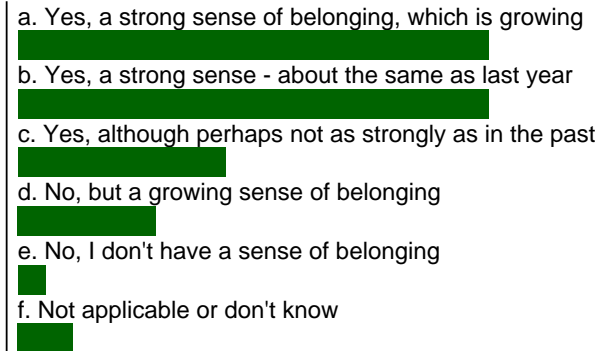
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B2: Do you have a strong sense of belonging to this local church?

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, a strong sense of belonging, which is growing	34.4%
b. Yes, a strong sense - about the same as last year	34.4%
c. Yes, although perhaps not as strongly as in the past	15.2%
d. No, but a growing sense of belonging	9.6%
e. No, I don't have a sense of belonging	2.4%
f. Not applicable or don't know	4.0%

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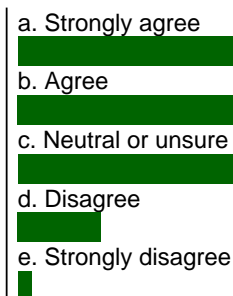
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B3: This local church is resourcing my spiritual journey well

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	22.0%
b. Agree	49.6%
c. Neutral or unsure	22.0%
d. Disagree	5.5%
e. Strongly disagree	0.8%

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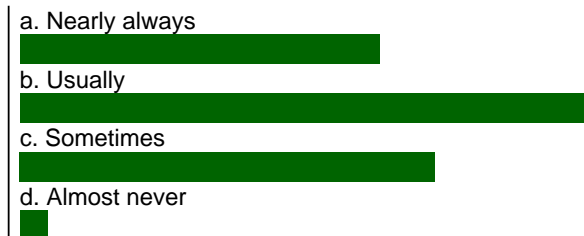
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B4: The preaching is very helpful to my life

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	25.8%
b. Usually	41.4%
c. Sometimes	30.5%
d. Almost never	2.3%

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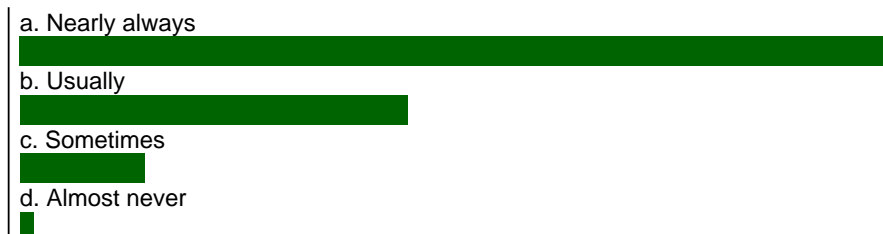
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B5: I appreciate the music

129 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	62.8%
b. Usually	27.9%
c. Sometimes	8.5%
d. Almost never	0.8%

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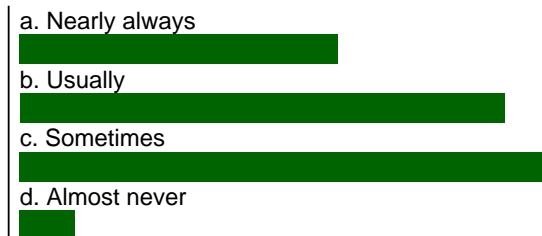
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B6: I feel inspired

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	22.8%
b. Usually	35.4%
c. Sometimes	37.8%
d. Almost never	3.9%

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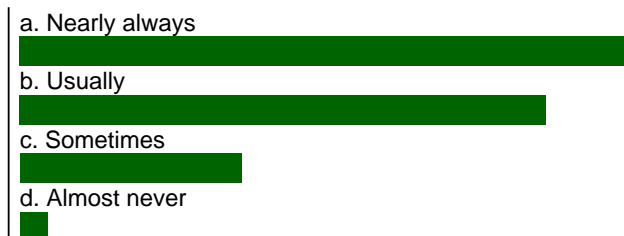
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B7: I feel a sense of God's presence

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	44.1%
b. Usually	37.8%
c. Sometimes	15.7%
d. Almost never	2.4%

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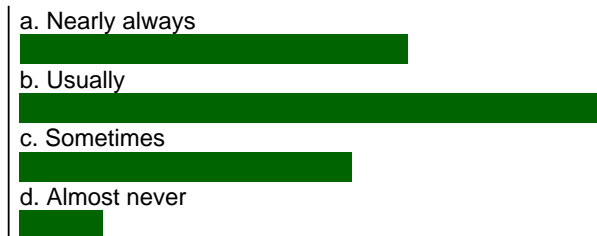
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B8: This local church is helping me grow in my understanding of God

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	28.3%
b. Usually	41.7%
c. Sometimes	24.4%
d. Almost never	5.5%

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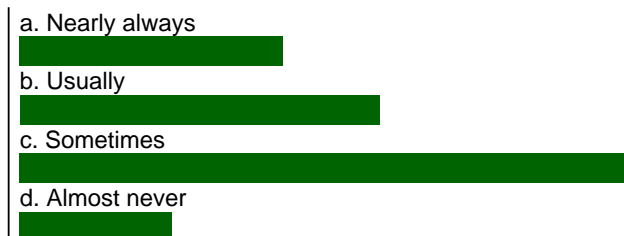
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B9: I am being challenged to take action

118 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Nearly always	18.6%
b. Usually	26.3%
c. Sometimes	44.1%
d. Almost never	11.0%

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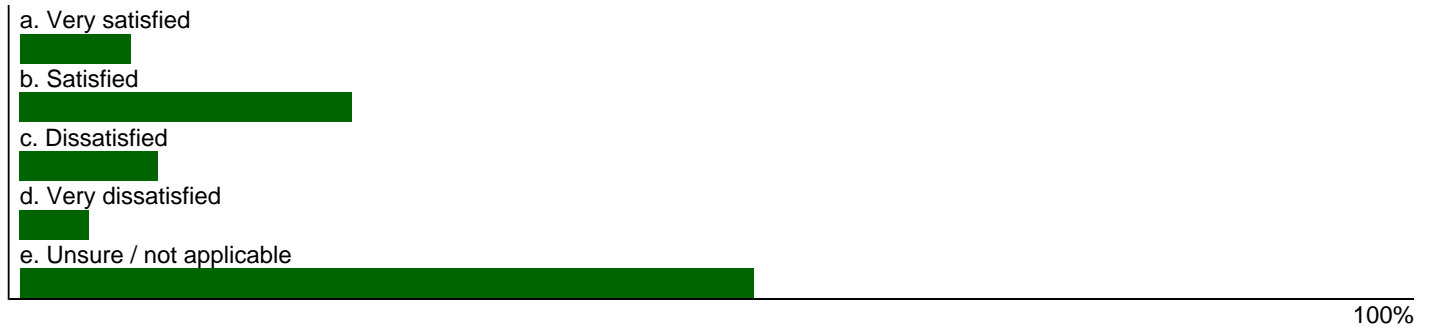
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B10: How satisfied are you with what is offered here for children under 12 years?

122 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Very satisfied	8.2%
b. Satisfied	23.8%
c. Dissatisfied	9.8%
d. Very dissatisfied	4.9%
e. Unsure / not applicable	53.3%

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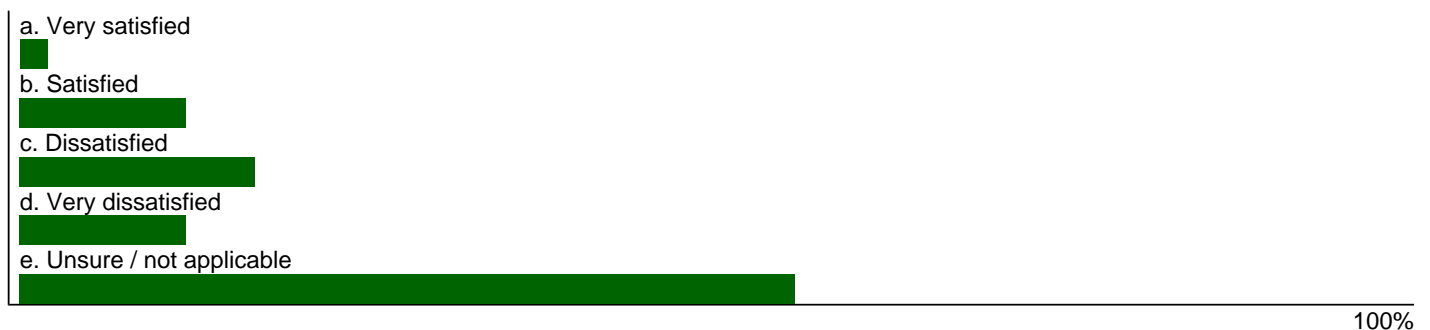


B11: How satisfied are you with what is offered here for youth aged 12-18 years?

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Very satisfied	2.5%
b. Satisfied	12.4%
c. Dissatisfied	16.5%
d. Very dissatisfied	12.4%
e. Unsure / not applicable	56.2%

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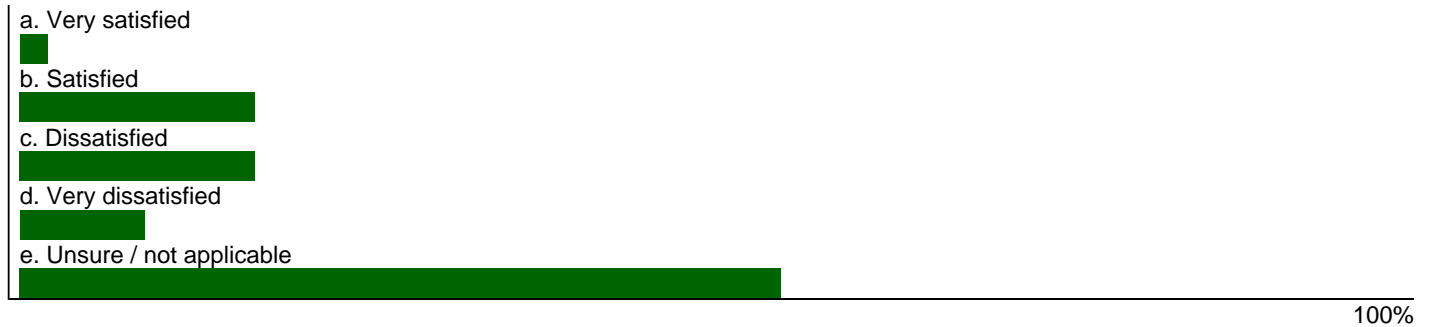


B12: How satisfied are you with what is offered here for adults aged 19-25 years?

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Very satisfied	2.5%
b. Satisfied	16.5%
c. Dissatisfied	17.4%
d. Very dissatisfied	9.1%
e. Unsure / not applicable	54.5%

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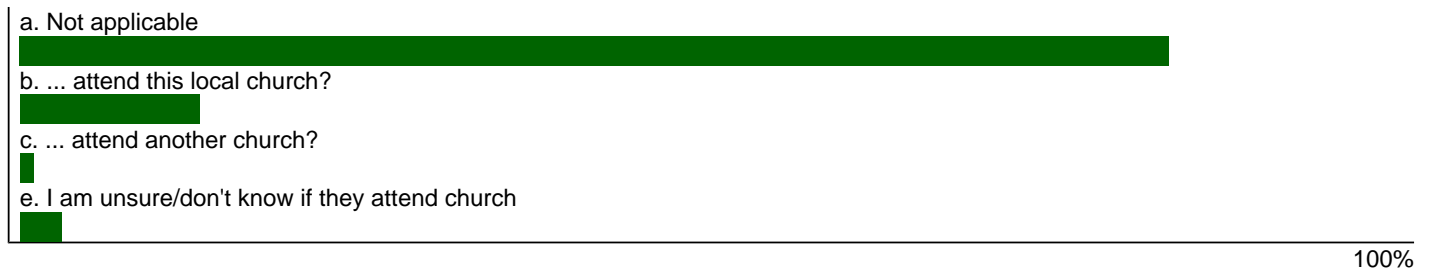
B13: If you have children under the age of 12, how many ...

118 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Not applicable	83.1%
b. ... attend this local church?	12.7%
c. ... attend another church?	0.8%
d. ... do not attend any church?	-
e. I am unsure/don't know if they attend church	3.4%

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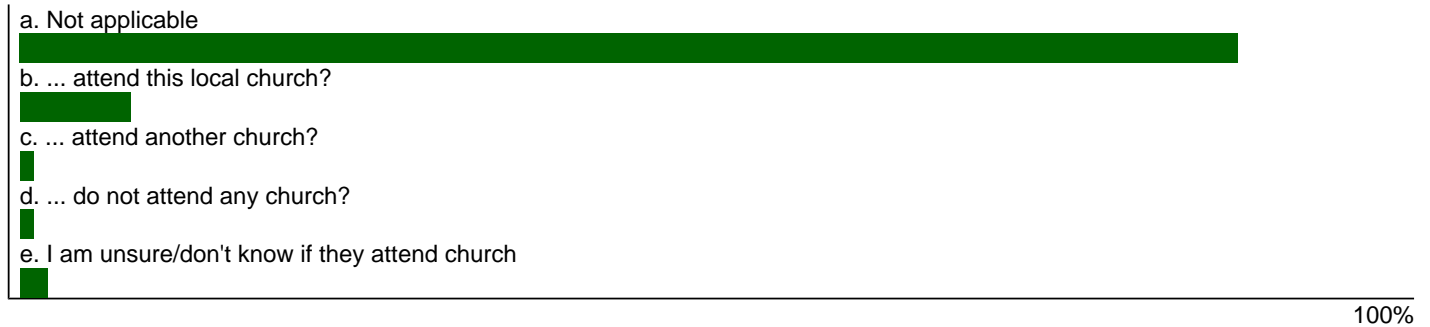
B14: If you have children aged 12 to 18, how many ...

113 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Not applicable	88.5%
b. ... attend this local church?	8.0%
c. ... attend another church?	0.9%
d. ... do not attend any church?	0.9%
e. I am unsure/don't know if they attend church	1.8%

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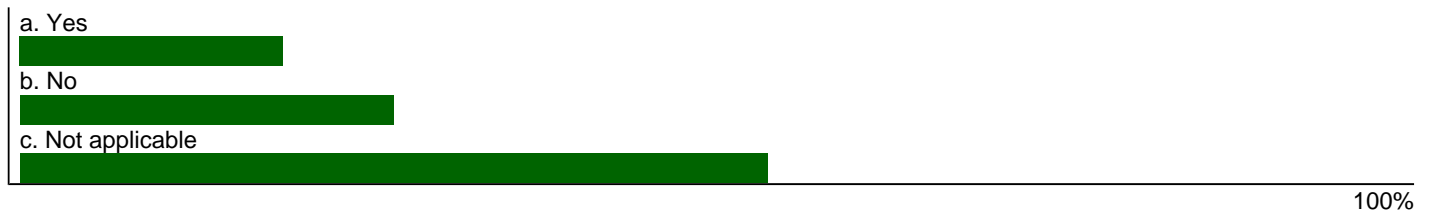


B15: Do you have children who attend a Church/Christian school?

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes	19.0%
b. No	27.3%
c. Not applicable	53.7%

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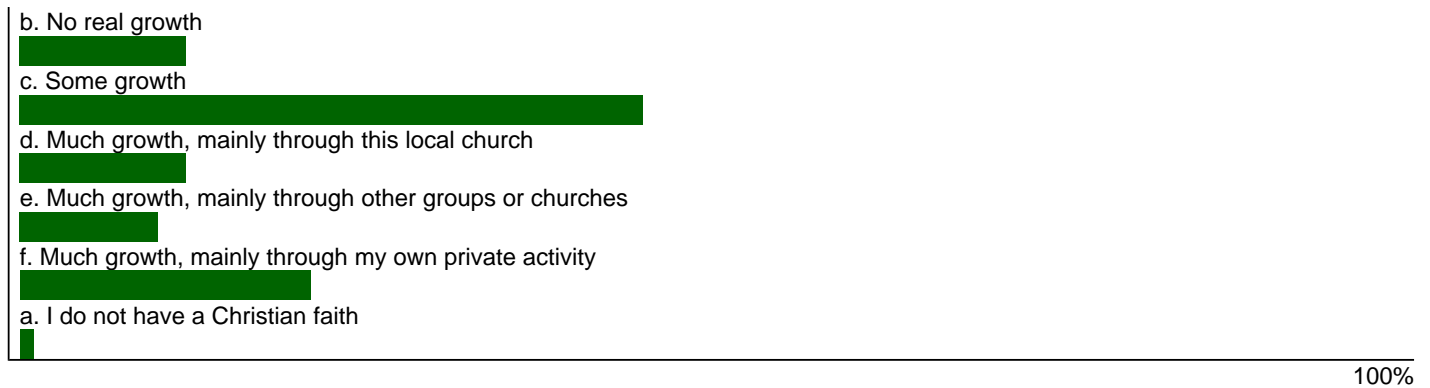
Report on Section C: You and Your Faith

C1: Over the last year, do you believe you have grown in your Christian faith?

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. I do not have a Christian faith	0.8%
b. No real growth	11.7%
c. Some growth	44.5%
d. Much growth, mainly through this local church	11.7%
e. Much growth, mainly through other groups or churches	10.2%
f. Much growth, mainly through my own private activity	21.1%

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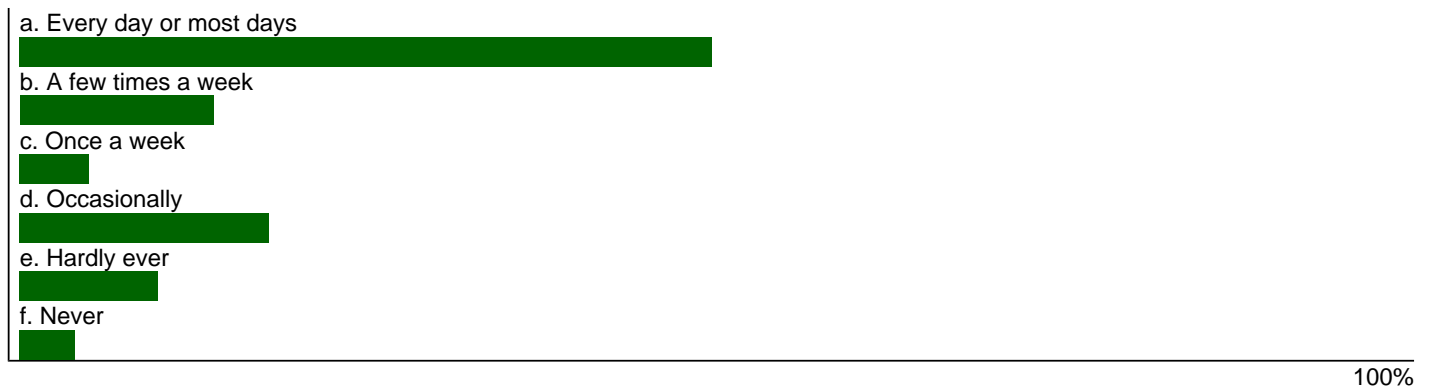


C2: How often do you spend time in private or family devotional activities (eg prayer, meditation, reading the Bible)?

130 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Every day or most days	50.0%
b. A few times a week	13.8%
c. Once a week	4.6%
d. Occasionally	17.7%
e. Hardly ever	10.0%
f. Never	3.8%

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C3: How often do you read the Bible on your own?

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Every day or most days	14.2%
b. A few times a week	11.0%
c. Once a week	3.9%
d. Occasionally	22.0%
e. Hardly ever	33.9%
f. Never	15.0%

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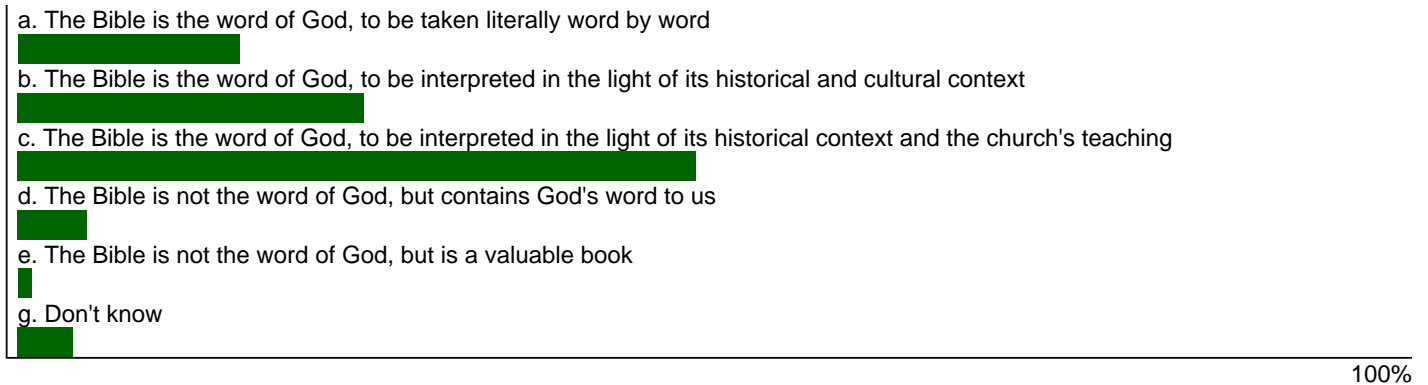


C4: Which statement comes closest to your view of the Bible?

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. The Bible is the word of God, to be taken literally word by word	16.4%
b. The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical and cultural context	25.0%
c. The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical context and the church's teaching	49.2%
d. The Bible is not the word of God, but contains God's word to us	4.7%
e. The Bible is not the word of God, but is a valuable book	0.8%
f. The Bible is an ancient book with little value today	-
g. Don't know	3.9%

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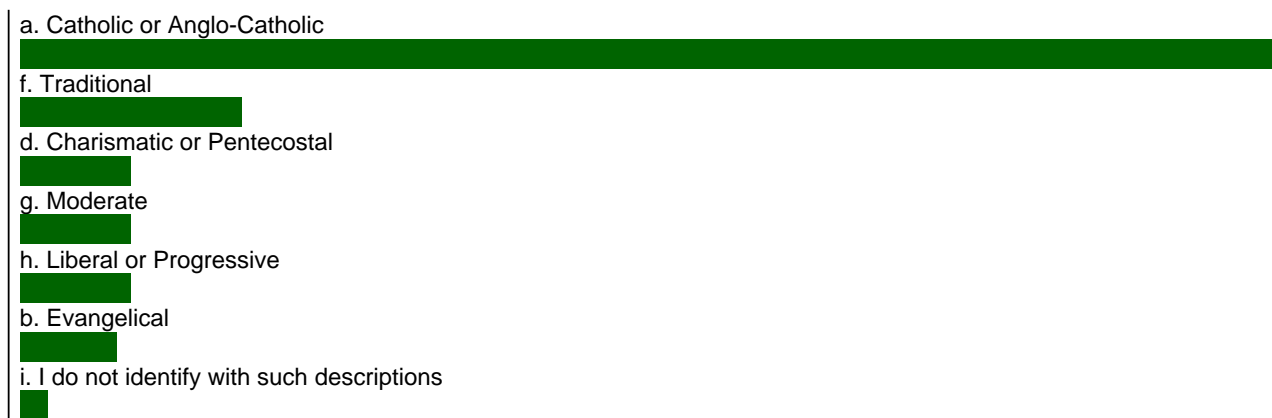
C5: Do you identify with any of the following approaches to matters of faith?

126 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Catholic or Anglo-Catholic	91.3%
b. Evangelical	7.1%
c. Reformed	-
d. Charismatic or Pentecostal	7.9%
e. Fundamentalist	-
f. Traditional	15.9%
g. Moderate	7.9%
h. Liberal or Progressive	7.9%
i. I do not identify with such descriptions	1.6%

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Report on Section D: You and Your Community

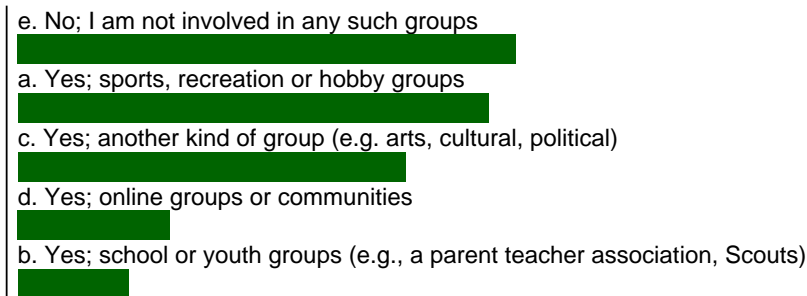
D1: Are you involved in any community service, social action or welfare groups NOT CONNECTED to this local church?

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes; sports, recreation or hobby groups	34.4%
b. Yes; school or youth groups (e.g., a parent teacher association, Scouts)	8.0%
c. Yes; another kind of group (e.g. arts, cultural, political)	28.0%
d. Yes; online groups or communities	11.2%
e. No; I am not involved in any such groups	36.0%

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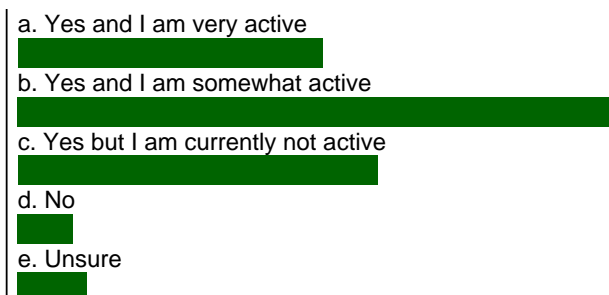
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D2: Do you believe that Christians have a responsibility to actively care for the environment?

129 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes and I am very active	21.7%
b. Yes and I am somewhat active	43.4%
c. Yes but I am currently not active	26.4%
d. No	3.9%
e. Unsure	4.7%

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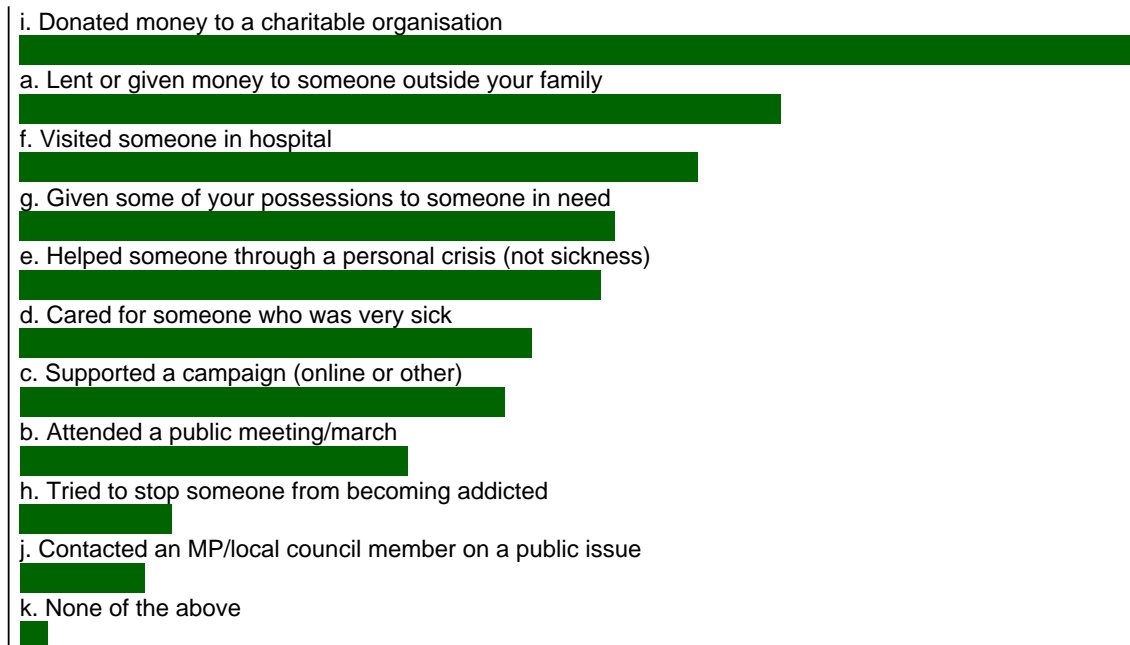
D3: In the past 12 months have you done any of the following:

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Lent or given money to someone outside your family	54.7%
b. Attended a public meeting/march	28.1%
c. Supported a campaign (online or other)	35.2%
d. Cared for someone who was very sick	36.7%
e. Helped someone through a personal crisis (not sickness)	42.2%
f. Visited someone in hospital	49.2%
g. Given some of your possessions to someone in need	43.0%
h. Tried to stop someone from becoming addicted	10.9%
i. Donated money to a charitable organisation	81.2%
j. Contacted an MP/local council member on a public issue	9.4%
k. None of the above	2.3%

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D4: Which of the following best describes your readiness to talk to others about your faith?

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. I feel at ease talking about my faith and look for opportunities to do so	15.7%
b. I mostly feel at ease talking about my faith and do if it comes up	61.4%
c. I find it hard to talk about my faith in ordinary language	10.2%
d. I do not like to talk about my faith; my life and actions are sufficient	11.8%
e. I do not have faith, so the question is not applicable	0.8%

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- a. I feel at ease talking about my faith and look for opportunities to do so
- b. I mostly feel at ease talking about my faith and do if it comes up
- c. I find it hard to talk about my faith in ordinary language
- d. I do not like to talk about my faith; my life and actions are sufficient
- e. I do not have faith, so the question is not applicable

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D5: Would you be prepared to invite to a church service here any of your friends and relatives who do not currently attend church?

123 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, and I have done so in the past 12 months	23.6%
b. Yes, but I have not done so in the past 12 months	40.7%
c. Don't know	17.9%
d. No, probably not	17.1%
e. No, definitely not	0.8%

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- a. Yes, and I have done so in the past 12 months
- b. Yes, but I have not done so in the past 12 months
- c. Don't know
- d. No, probably not
- e. No, definitely not

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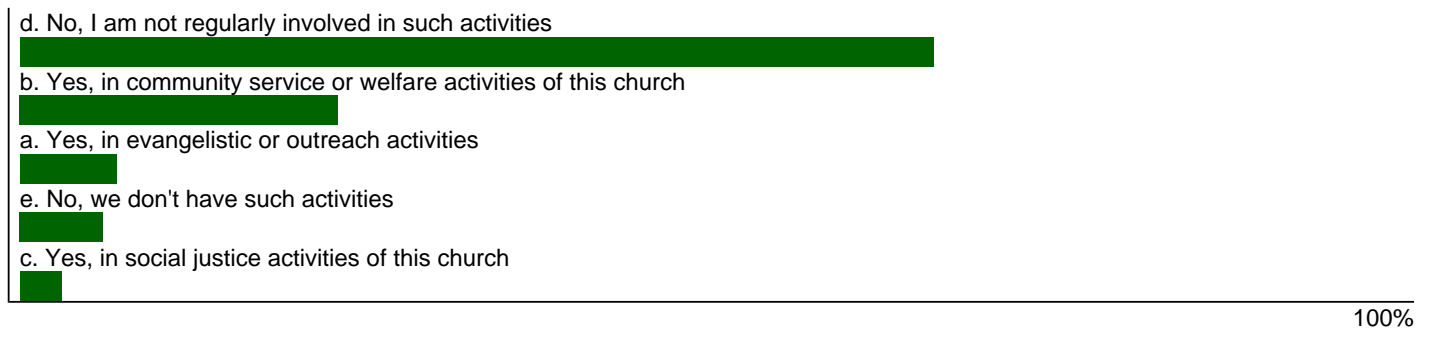
D6: Do you regularly take part in any activities of this church that reach out to the wider community (eg visitation, outreach, community service, social justice, welfare)?

124 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, in evangelistic or outreach activities	7.3%
b. Yes, in community service or welfare activities of this church	22.6%
c. Yes, in social justice activities of this church	3.2%
d. No, I am not regularly involved in such activities	66.1%
e. No, we don't have such activities	6.5%

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Report on Section E: You and Your Involvement Here

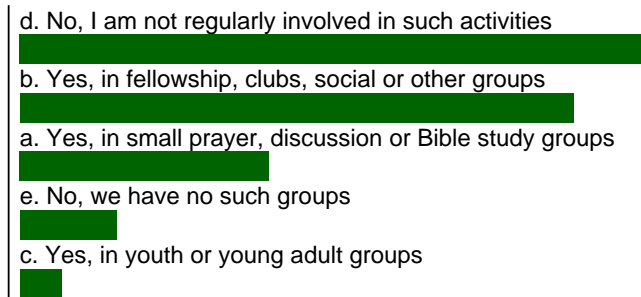
E1: Are you regularly involved in any group activities here?

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, in small prayer, discussion or Bible study groups	18.2%
b. Yes, in fellowship, clubs, social or other groups	39.7%
c. Yes, in youth or young adult groups	3.3%
d. No, I am not regularly involved in such activities	44.6%
e. No, we have no such groups	6.6%

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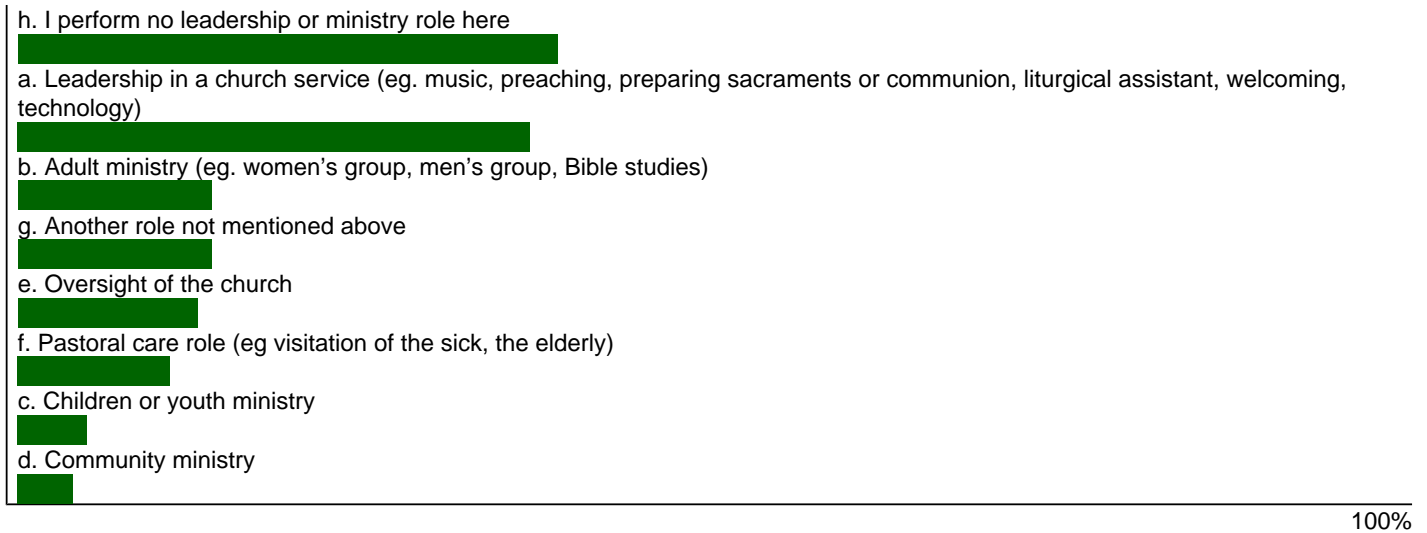
E2: Do you currently perform any of these leadership or ministry roles here?

122 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Leadership in a church service (eg. music, preaching, preparing sacraments or communion, liturgical assistant, welcoming, technology)	36.9%
b. Adult ministry (eg. women's group, men's group, Bible studies)	13.9%
c. Children or youth ministry	4.9%
d. Community ministry	4.1%
e. Oversight of the church	13.1%
f. Pastoral care role (eg visitation of the sick, the elderly)	10.7%
g. Another role not mentioned above	13.9%
h. I perform no leadership or ministry role here	39.3%

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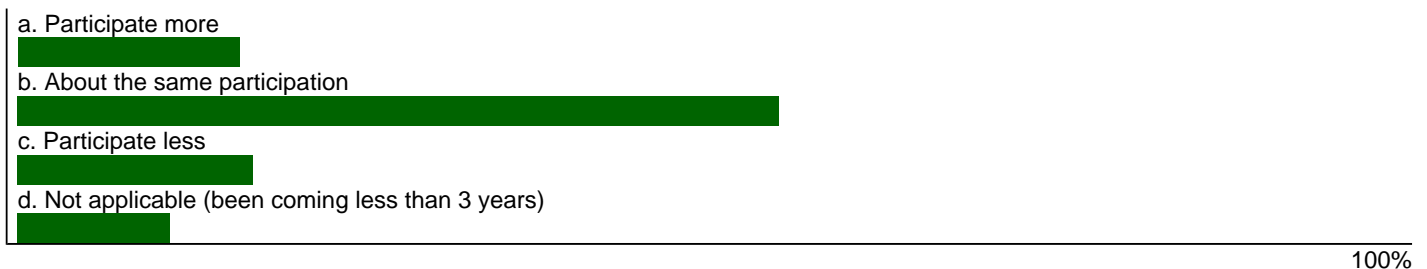


E3: How much do you participate in the activities of this local church, compared to before COVID-19?

123 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Participate more	16.3%
b. About the same participation	55.3%
c. Participate less	17.1%
d. Not applicable (been coming less than 3 years)	11.4%

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E4: Have the leaders of this local church encouraged you to find and use your gifts and skills here?

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, to a great extent	12.4%
b. Yes, to some extent	31.4%
c. Yes, to a small extent	29.8%
d. Not at all	26.4%

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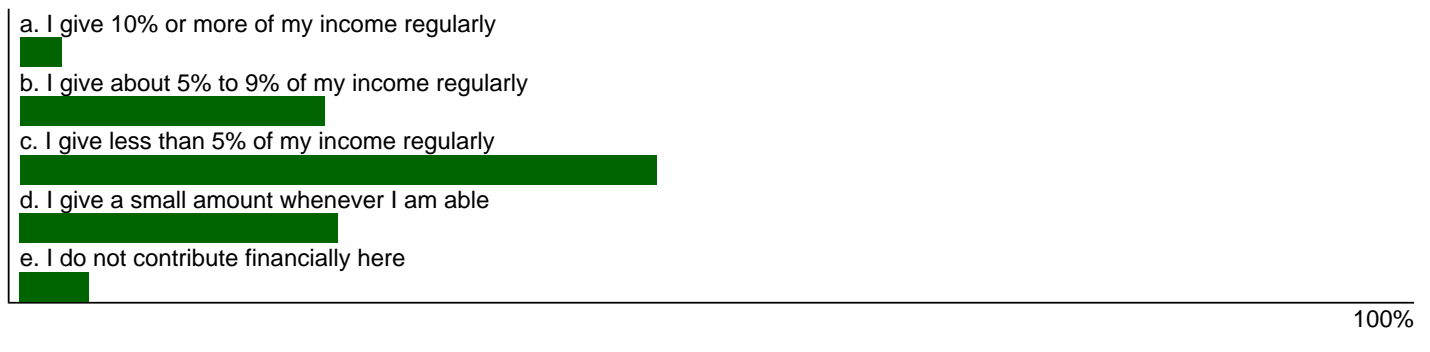


E5: About how much do you give financially to this congregation?

128 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. I give 10% or more of my income regularly	3.1%
b. I give about 5% to 9% of my income regularly	21.9%
c. I give less than 5% of my income regularly	46.1%
d. I give a small amount whenever I am able	23.4%
e. I do not contribute financially here	5.5%

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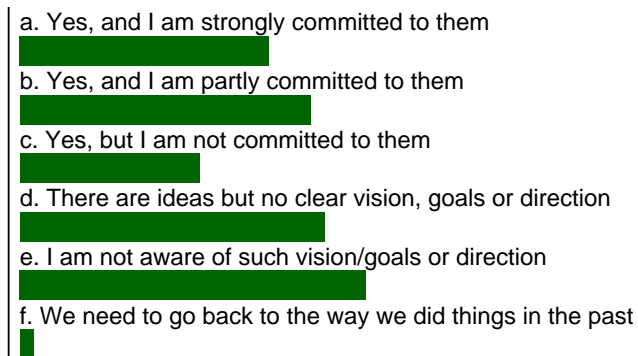
Report on Section F: Leadership and Direction

F1: Does this local church have a clear vision, goals or direction for its ministry and mission?

117 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Yes, and I am strongly committed to them	17.9%
b. Yes, and I am partly committed to them	21.4%
c. Yes, but I am not committed to them	12.8%
d. There are ideas but no clear vision, goals or direction	22.2%
e. I am not aware of such vision/goals or direction	24.8%
f. We need to go back to the way we did things in the past	0.9%

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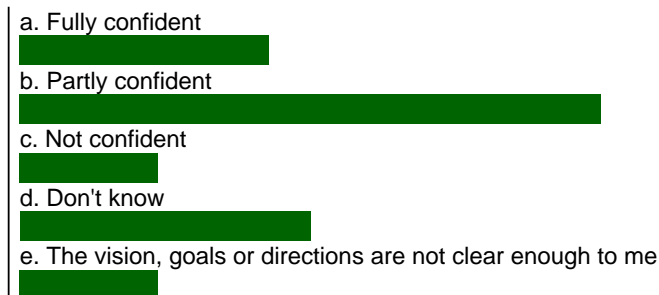
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F2: How confident are you that this local church can achieve the vision, goals or directions it has set for itself?

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Fully confident	18.4%
b. Partly confident	41.6%
c. Not confident	9.6%
d. Don't know	20.8%
e. The vision, goals or directions are not clear enough to me	9.6%

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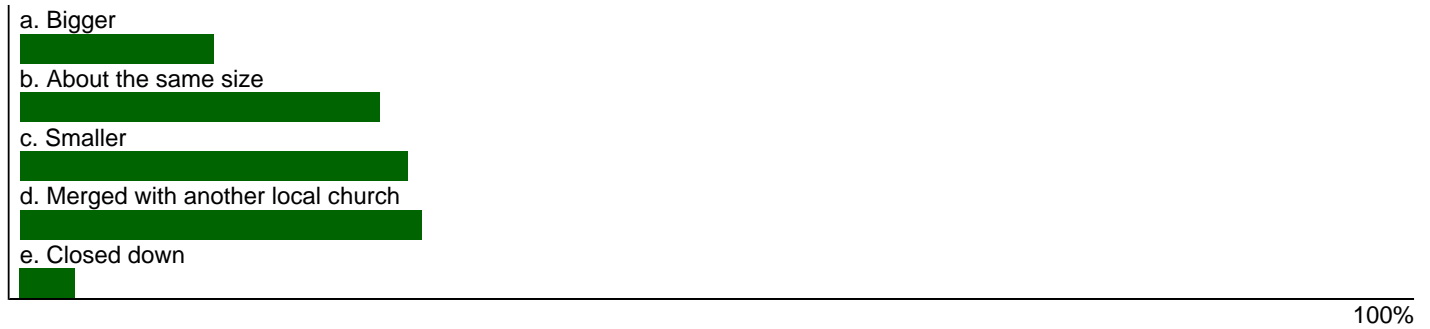
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F4: What size do you think this local church will be in about 10 years time?

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Bigger	13.6%
b. About the same size	25.6%
c. Smaller	28.0%
d. Merged with another local church	28.8%
e. Closed down	4.0%

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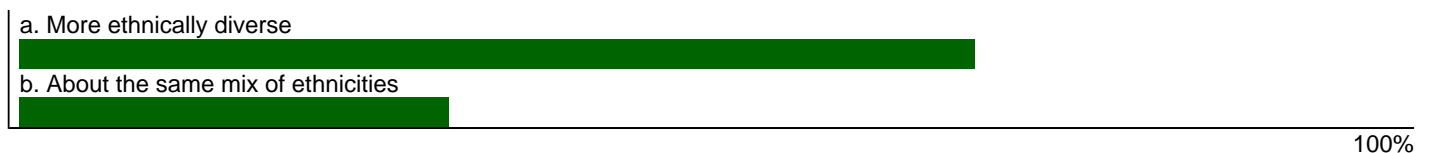


F5: How ethnically diverse do you think this local church will be in about 10 years time?

86 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. More ethnically diverse	68.6%
b. About the same mix of ethnicities	31.4%
c. Less ethnically diverse	-

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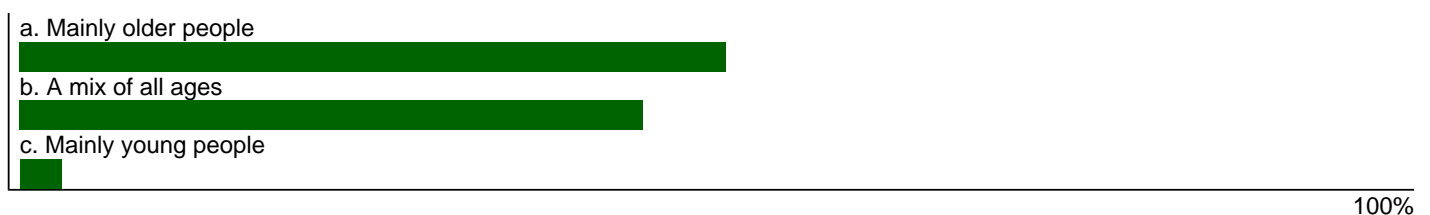


F6: What age distribution do you think this local church will have in about 10 years time?

86 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Mainly older people	51.2%
b. A mix of all ages	45.3%
c. Mainly young people	3.5%

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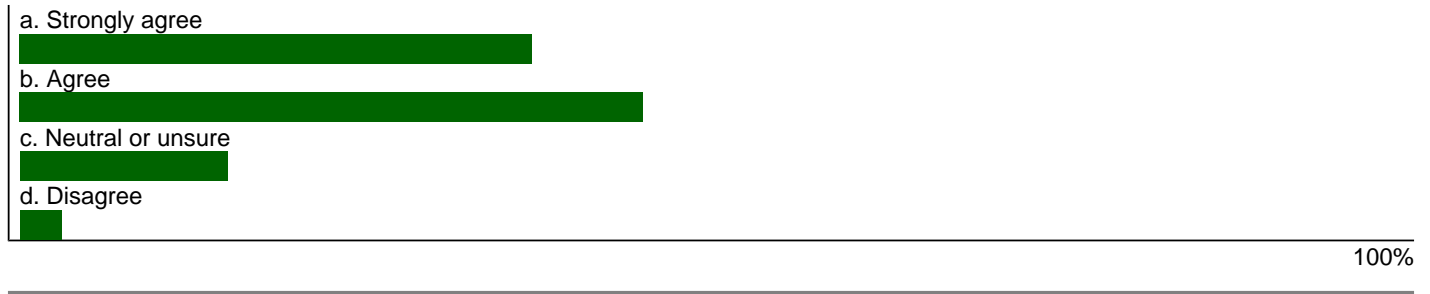


F7: This local church is inclusive of different kinds of people

121 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	37.2%
b. Agree	44.6%
c. Neutral or unsure	14.9%
d. Disagree	3.3%
e. Strongly disagree	-

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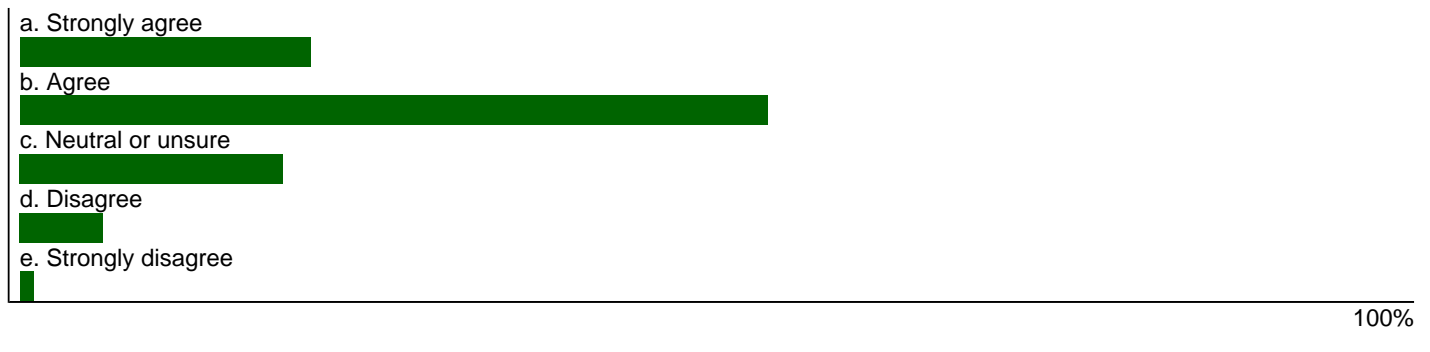


F8: I have found it easy to make friends within this local church

127 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	21.3%
b. Agree	53.5%
c. Neutral or unsure	18.9%
d. Disagree	5.5%
e. Strongly disagree	0.8%

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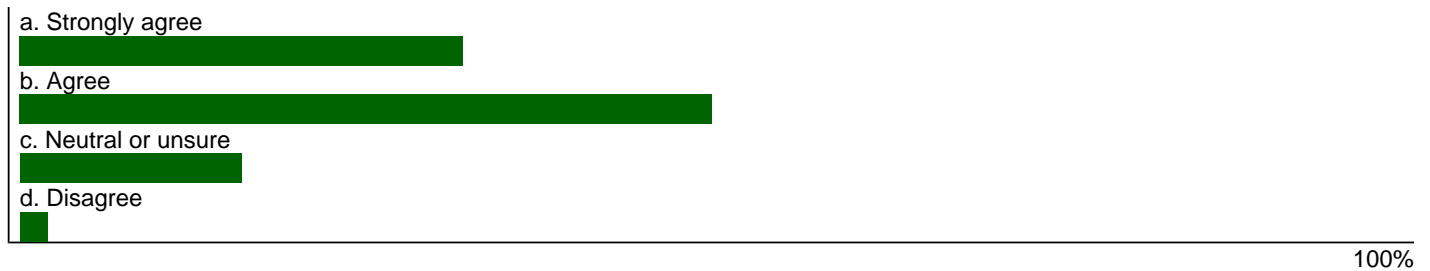


F9: It is easy to get involved in ministry at this local church (eg join a roster, take on a role)

123 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	31.7%
b. Agree	49.6%
c. Neutral or unsure	16.3%
d. Disagree	2.4%
e. Strongly disagree	-

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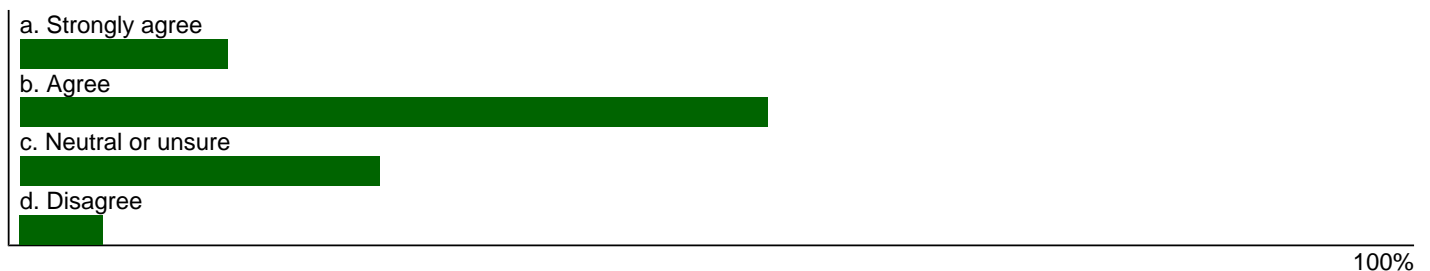


F10: All age groups are encouraged to get involved at this local church

125 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	15.2%
b. Agree	53.6%
c. Neutral or unsure	25.6%
d. Disagree	5.6%
e. Strongly disagree	-

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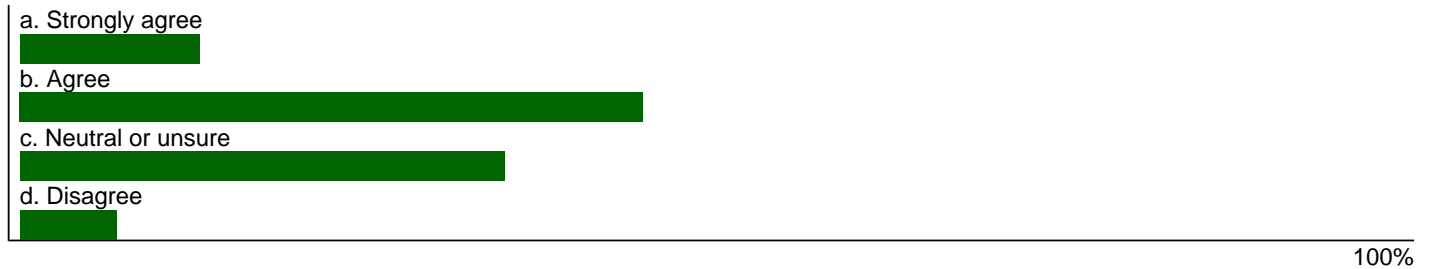


F11: The leaders in this local church are willing to support new initiatives

124 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	12.9%
b. Agree	45.2%
c. Neutral or unsure	34.7%
d. Disagree	7.3%
e. Strongly disagree	-

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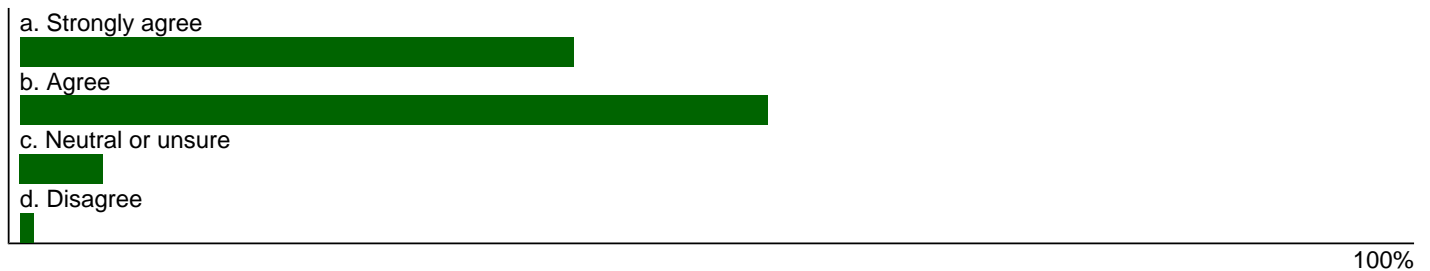


F12: This local church is a safe place for all who attend

124 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Strongly agree	39.5%
b. Agree	54.0%
c. Neutral or unsure	5.6%
d. Disagree	0.8%
e. Strongly disagree	-

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F13: In your opinion, which of the following should be given priority by this local church in the next 12 months?

126 out of 131 respondents answered this question

Response	Our Lady of the Valleys
a. Spiritual growth (eg spiritual direction, prayer groups)	21.4%
b. Worship services that are nurturing to people's faith	34.9%
c. Building a strong sense of community within this local church	56.3%
d. Creating a clear vision for this local church's future	40.5%
e. Encouraging people here to discover/use their gifts	24.6%
f. Encouraging new approaches to ministry and mission	11.1%
g. Supporting social justice and/or service to people in need	7.9%
h. Encouraging people here to share their faith and/or invite others	10.3%
i. Ensuring new people are included well in church life	28.6%
j. Ministry to children and youth	25.4%
k. Growing into a larger local church	7.1%
l. Starting a new church or mission venture	-
m. Other	2.4%

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