

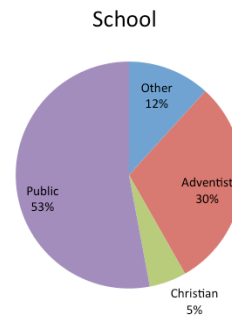
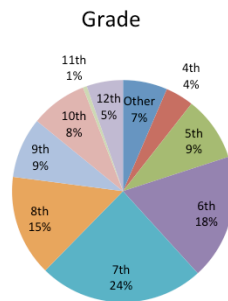
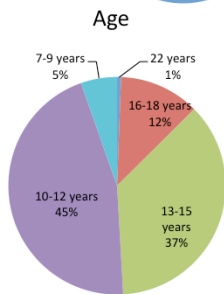
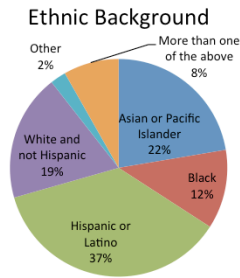
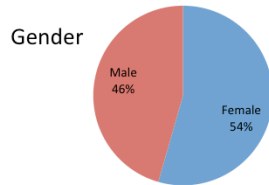
Baptismal Candidates Report

FFIC 2014

Data Source

Those interested in Baptism at the Camporee 2014 were asked to register on CYE website. About half of those baptized registered before hand and were contacted twice to fill out a Baptismal Candidate survey, the remaining half of total 615 baptized was contacted twice about a month after the baptism to fill out the survey. 176 people responded.

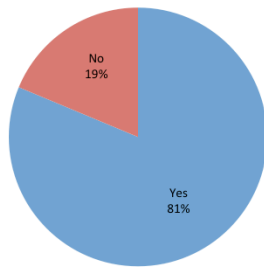
Demographic Info about the Respondents



Participants were closely proportionate in the number of males to females. Two out of five participants were Hispanic or Latino. The rest were primarily one out of five were either white and non-Hispanic or Asian/Pacific Islander. With only one out of ten participants being black. Almost half of the participants were preteens, ages ranging from ten to twelve. The second biggest age group are the preteens, ages ranging from thirteen to fifteen. Over half of the participants who make decisions to be baptized are in middle school. The decision for baptism is most likely going to take place during middle school. Slightly over half of the participants attend public school, whereas almost a third of the participants attend an Adventist school.

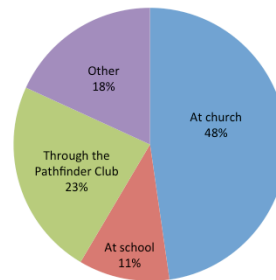
Did you participate in baptismal class at some point in the last year?

171 Respondents



Where did you participate in baptismal classes?

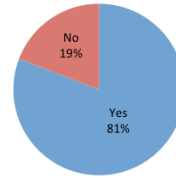
176 Responses



The majority of participants, about 4 out of 5, attended baptismal classes. Almost half of these classes took place at church, and almost a fourth through the pathfinder club itself. It is also indicated that some participants received baptismal classes from more than one location.

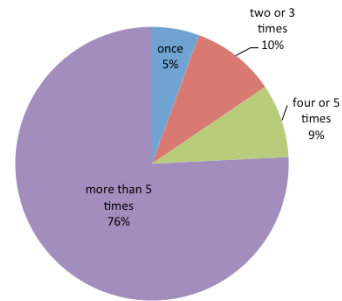
Were you engaged in Bible study before your decision for baptism?

164 Respondents



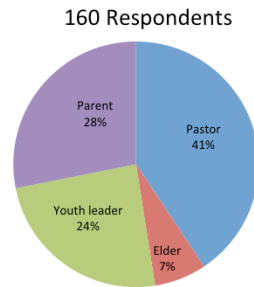
How many times did you meet for the Bible studies?

161 Respondents

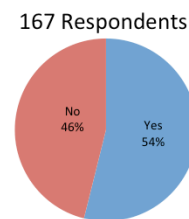


Four out of five participants were already engaged in bible study before the made a decision for baptism. Whereas, only one fifth of participants decided to get baptized before receiving bible studies. The fast majority of participants, three out of four, met more than five times for bible study. There were 14% of those who met more than five times for Bible study who were not engaged in Bible study before their decision for baptism. There were 71% of those who were not engaged in Bible study before their decision for baptism, who met more than five times for Bible studies.

Who studied with you?



Did you take a Bible correspondence course or fill out printed Bible lessons in preparations for your baptism?



Two out of five participants studied with a pastor, compared to one out of four studying with a parent or youth leader. And only one out of ten studied with a elder. Slightly over half of the participants filled out bible correspondence course or filled out printed bible preparations. 63% of those who took a Bible correspondence course reported to have studied bible with a youth leader where as only 51% of those who studied with parents needed to take correspondence course or fill out printed Bible lessons.

Have you been attending an Adventist Church over the past year or longer?

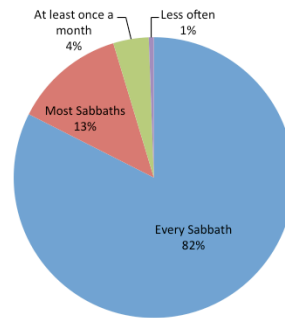
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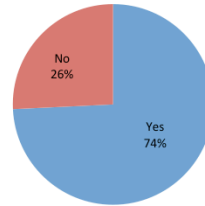
If yes, how often do you usually attend?

171 Respondents



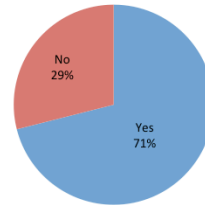
All participants answered these two survey questions, with a hundred percent stating they have attended an Adventist Church over the past year or longer. The vast majority, four out of five, are regular Sabbath attenders. One out of ten attended church most Sabbaths, with the remaining 5% of participants attending less often. It is shown that consistent Sabbath attendance is an characteristic/attribute often found in those who make a decision for baptism.

Have you been involved in any ministry of the church?



167 Respondents

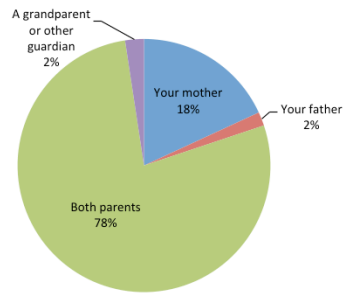
Are you interested in joining any ministry of the Church?



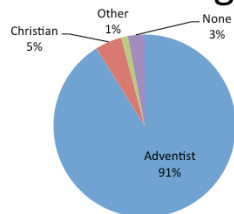
152 Respondents

The majority of participants, three out of four, have been involved in ministries of the church. Active involvement in church ministry is another strong attribute that most of those who make a decision to be baptized share. Also, a three out of four majority of participants are interested in joining a ministry of the church. Of those who have been involved in ministry, 82% still claim to be interested in joining any ministry of the Church. Of those who claimed still to be interested in ministry, there were 13% of those who were not involved in any ministry before.

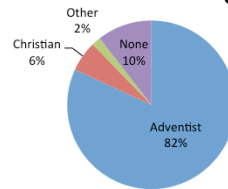
Who do you live with most of the time?



What is your mother's religion?



What is your father's religion?



The majority of participants, four out of five, live with both their parents. One out of five participants live with their mother. Having a parent that is Adventist is another strong attribute that is shared by those who made a decision for baptism.

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