Church Life Survey of New Zealand

2023 CLSNZ

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?

23551 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. Yes; sports, recreation or hobby groups	25.8%
b. Yes; school or youth groups (e.g., a parent teacher association, Scouts)	9.5%
c. Yes; another kind of group (e.g. arts, cultural, political)	25.3%
d. Yes; online groups or communities	10.1%
e. No; I am not involved in any such groups	46.6%

Because people can choose more than one response, the percentages in the above table will usually add up to more than 100.

Visually

- a. Yes; sports, recreation or hobby groups
- b. Yes; school or youth groups (e.g., a parent teacher association, Scouts)
- c. Yes; another kind of group (e.g. arts, cultural, political)
- d. Yes; online groups or communities
- e. No; I am not involved in any such groups

100%

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

24074 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. Yes and I am very active	18.3%
b. Yes and I am somewhat active	50.0%
c. Yes but I am currently not active	26.4%
d. No	1.7%
e. Unsure	3.6%

Visually

- a. Yes and I am very active
- b. Yes and I am somewhat active
- c. Yes but I am currently not active
- d. No
- e. Unsure

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

24040 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. Lent or given money to someone outside your family	57.8%
b. Attended a public meeting/march	19.1%
c. Supported a campaign (online or other)	31.2%
d. Cared for someone who was very sick	34.4%
e. Helped someone through a personal crisis (not sickness)	44.7%
f. Visited someone in hospital	43.0%
g. Given some of your possessions to someone in need	44.1%
h. Tried to stop someone from becoming addicted	10.1%
i. Donated money to a charitable organisation	75.5%
j. Contacted an MP/local council member on a public issue	10.6%
k. None of the above	4.0%

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Visually

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- d. Cared for someone who was very sick
- e. Helped someone through a personal crisis (not sickness)
- f. Visited someone in hospital
- g. Given some of your possessions to someone in need
- h. Tried to stop someone from becoming addicted
- i. Donated money to a charitable organisation
- j. Contacted an MP/local council member on a public issue
- k. None of the above

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

23910 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. I feel at ease talking about my faith and look for opportunities to do so	20.0%
b. I mostly feel at ease talking about my faith and do if it comes up	54.8%
c. I find it hard to talk about my faith in ordinary language	16.2%
d. I do not like to talk about my faith; my life and actions are sufficient	8.4%
e. I do not have faith, so the question is not applicable	0.6%

Visually

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- 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

100%

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

23200 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. Yes, and I have done so in the past 12 months	33.9%
b. Yes, but I have not done so in the past 12 months	39.9%
c. Don't know	13.4%
d. No, probably not	11.7%
e. No, definitely not	1.2%

Visually

- 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

100%

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)?

22598 out of 24872 respondents answered this question

Response	New Zealand Churches
a. Yes, in evangelistic or outreach activities	11.0%
b. Yes, in community service or welfare activities of this church	30.3%
c. Yes, in social justice activities of this church	6.9%
d. No, I am not regularly involved in such activities	53.6%
e. No, we don't have such activities	7.4%

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Visually

- a. Yes, in evangelistic or outreach activities
- b. Yes, in community service or welfare activities of this church
- c. Yes, in social justice activities of this church
- d. No, I am not regularly involved in such activities
- e. No, we don't have such activities

100%