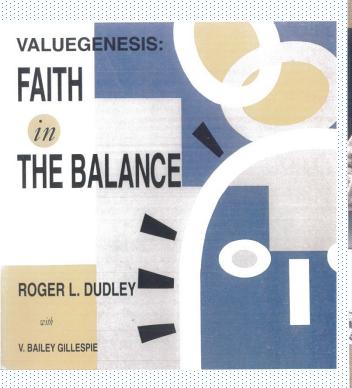
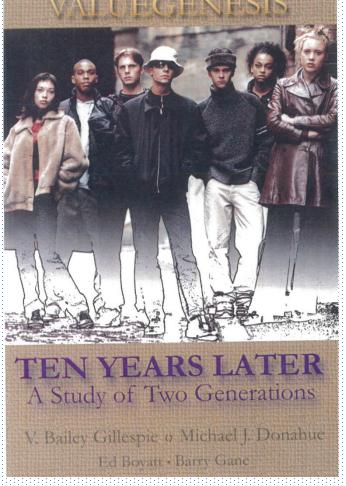
## Yaluegenesis I-IV

Continuing Our Study of Faith, Values, and Commitment

# A Study of Multiple Generations.... **VG1 (1990)**, **VG2 (2000)**, **VG3 (2010)**







## Valuegenesis<sup>3</sup>

A Study of the Influence of Family, Church, and School on the Formation of Faith in Seventh-Day Adventists

## [Valuegenesis is]

"an attempt to provide a picture of the youth of the church.... They are both the future and present of the church. They are the best and the worst of what we have nurtured.....[They] grow to reflect the positive changes that our church has made which impact youth's lives.....(Gillespie, 1992, xii-xiii)."

## Teamwork for Three Decades

- Collaborative Projects of...
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  - John Hancock Center for Youth and Family Ministry, La Sierra University
- Valuegenesis I (1990)
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  - V. Baily Gillespie
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#### FAITH MATURITY AND DOCTRINAL ORTHODOXY: A VALIDITY STUDY OF THE FAITH MATURITY SCALE

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Over the past decade, the Faith Maturity Scale has become a frequently used psychological measure for the study of Protestant personal religiosity (Benson, Donahue, & Rickson, 1993; Tisclale, 1999). Development of the scale involved about 11,000 adolescents and adults from six Protestant de-nomination? and the test, according to Benson, et al. (1993), focuses on the common understandings of personal faith and spirituality within churches and religious communities, minimizing denominational, economic, educational, and racial specificity. The test development was also guided by the theoretical premise that mature faith involves both one's personal relationintercental premise that instance and involves both one's personar reasons-ship to God (vertical faith meturity) and one's relationship with others, in-cluding behavioral manifestations of social service and justice (horizontal faith maturity). Also the Faith Maturity Scule is designed to assess the value and behavioral dimension of personal religiosity in keeping with the authors' view that faith maturity is better evidenced by values and behavioral consematt natus maturity is better evidenced by values and benavioral consequences than by right beliefs.

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#### RELIGIOSITY, ALTRUISM, AND ALTRUISTIC HYPOCRISY: EVIDENCE FROM PROTESTANT ADOLESCENTS

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REVIEW OF RELIGIOUS RESEARCH 2006, VOLUME 48(2): PAGES 156-17

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The concept of altruism is widely perceived as at the center of Judeo-Christian religion. By doing good for others when nothing is expected in return, churchgoers and religious people may believe they commit themselves to God's will. Some of them ■ religious people may believe they commit themselves to God's will. Some of them possibly give part of their time and wealth to the poor or those in need because of their benegation of their three describes the state of their three that God would revault time. The state is religious all material benefits. Regardless of what modifies required to the popular tweir in matte be noted this rechoiders have offen expressed doubte regarding whether religion in fact shapes individuals' compassionate and prosocial values and behaviors. Their findings are say telf from consensual, however, the popular tweir in the properties of the properti

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#### Considering Personal Religiosity in Adolescent Delinquency: The Role of Depression, Suicidal Ideation, and Church Guideline

Chang-Ho C. Ji Tonya Perry Dora Glarke-Pine La Sterra University

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#### VOUTH PASTOR, VOUTH MINISTRY, AND YOUTH ATTITUDE TOWARD THE CHURCHS

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A larve number of churches hire youth pastors or workers to support their ministr for adolescents and young adults. An empirical exploration of whether and how youth pastors influence youth attitudes toward the church and denomination remains to be done, however. This study, using a nationwide youth survey data set, attempts to 611 this research gap. The results affirm hiring a youth pastor or worker is an effective way to develop and maintain quality programs in the church, which in turn induce youth to remain faithful to the denomination. This study also confirms a positive link between caring pastorship and youths' attitudes toward the church, although it is far

Parational studies of material plane and proper lives, instituting those of adolescents, Anational survey showed that 60% of American high school students consider religion important in their lives, 50% attend religious services regularly, and over 80% have some kind of religious affiliation (Wallace, Forman, Cadiwell, and Willis 2003). In spite of these statistics, however, there is also a growing concern among churches about losing their youth to other religious and non-religious forces. According to Smith, Denton, Paris, and Regnerus (2002), there was a 10% drop in Protestant religious affiliation from 1976 to 1996 among twelfth graders. Their study also showed an 8% drop in weekly church attendance among twelfth graders during the same period and a 4% increase in those who stated "rarely" and "none" for church attendance. Similarly, Hastings and Hogo (1976) found that only 36% of youth had a positive attitude toward organized religion, and only 22% and 30% of those who grew up in Protestant and Catholic homes, respectively, re-

ognized their parents' religion as their own religious preference.

In an attempt to curb the decline of youth church affiliation, churches have looked for ways to keep their youth in the churches. One popular strategy has been hiring youth pastors or workers, even though using a paid youth pastor or worker means a considerable financial and resource commitment by a congregation to its youth ministry (Goreham 2004; Kageler 2004). One widespread premise behind this commitment is that youth pastors or workers would increase the frequency of youth activities, develop quality programs, enhance youth perception of the church, and eventually keep them loyal to the denomination (Stromyoun precedence of an extension and eventoring steep treat royal to the temperature of potential pasters of the impact of youth pasters or workers on youth ministry programs and youths' decision to remain faithful to the denomination; with only a handful of research cases, that can be considered far

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#### Humane and Reflective Education in Student Learning: Evidence on Learning Effectiveness and Educational Aspiration

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# What we *learn* from Valuegenesis 1-3

## Comparison of Valuegenesis 1-3

#### 180 Questions in Valuegenesis 1-3

- Personal Religiosity & Doctrinal Faith
- Adventist Lifestyle
- Family & School Climate

#### Valuegenesis 1

- 465 Items
- Full Scales on Faith Maturity, Salvation, & Social Issues

#### Valuegenesis 2

- 396 Items
- Lots of Questions on Parents and Children Relation
- Religious Orientation, SDA Doctrinal Faith, and Church-related Questions

#### Valuegenesis 3

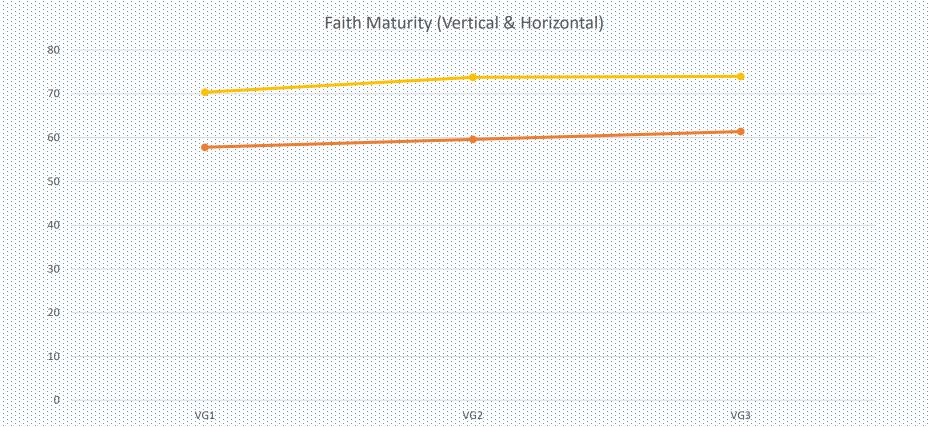
- 407 Items
- More Questions on Teachers & Parents
- Educational Questions: Learning Effectiveness, Academic Locus of Control
- New Questions on Internet & Substance Abuse (e.g. prescription and over-the-counter drugs)

## **Faith Maturity**

- Vertical Faith Maturity (7 Items)
  - I have a real sense that God is guiding me.
  - I feel God's presence in my relationships with other people.
- Horizontal Faith Maturity (5 Items)
  - I feel a deep sense of responsibility for reducing pain and suffering in the world.
  - I apply my faith to political and social issues.

# Faith Maturity: Mean and Percentage Values

	Valuegenesis 1	Valuegenesis 2	Valuegenesis 3	Min-Max
Horizontal Faith	2.89	2.98	3.07	1-5
Vertical Faith	3.52	3.69	3.7	1-5
Horizontal Faith	57.8%	59.6%	61.4%	
Vertical Faith	70.4%	73.8%	74%	



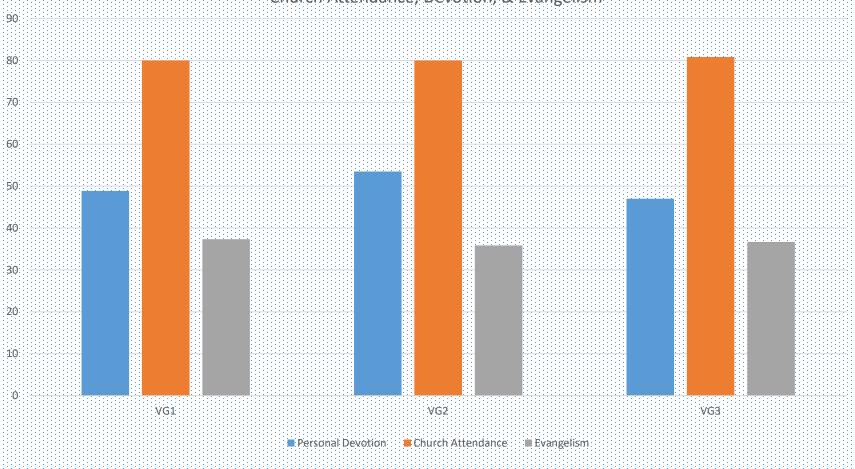
Horizontal Faith

Vertical Faith

## Personal Devotion & Evangelism

- Evangelism
  - Tried directly to encourage someone to believe in Jesus Christ.
  - Told others about the work of God in your life.
- Personal Devotion
  - Pray other than at church or before meals.
  - Read my Bible on my own.
- Church Attendance

Religious Practice: Church Attendance, Devotion, & Evangelism



## Salvation Theology/Perspective

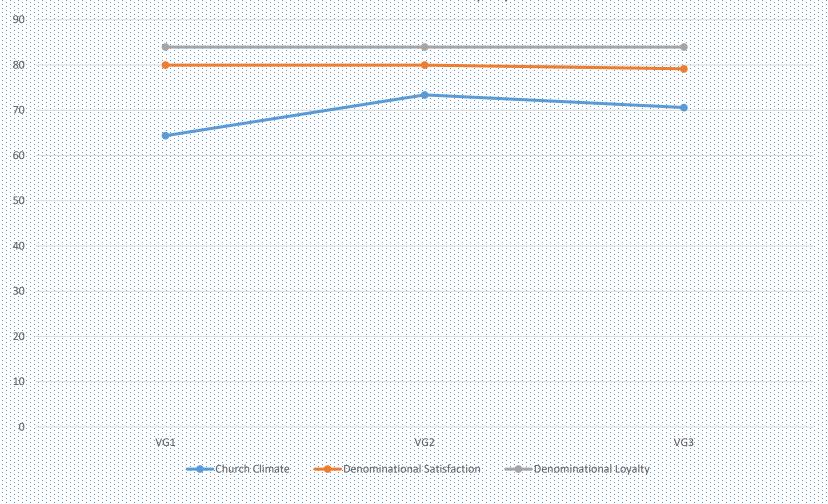
- I know that to be saved I have to live by God's rule.
- Following Adventist standards and practices will help me to be saved.
- They way to be accepted by God is to try sincerely to live a good life.
- The main emphasis of the gospel is on God's rules for right living.



# Church Climate & Denominational Loyalty

- Church Climate
  - It feels warm.
  - It accepts people who are different.
- Denominational Satisfaction & Loyalty
  - If you moved to another city that has many churches from which to choose, would you attend a church of the same denomination as the church you now attend?
  - When you are 40 years old, do you think you will be active in the Seventh-day Adventist church?
  - How satisfied are you with the denomination of the church you now attend?

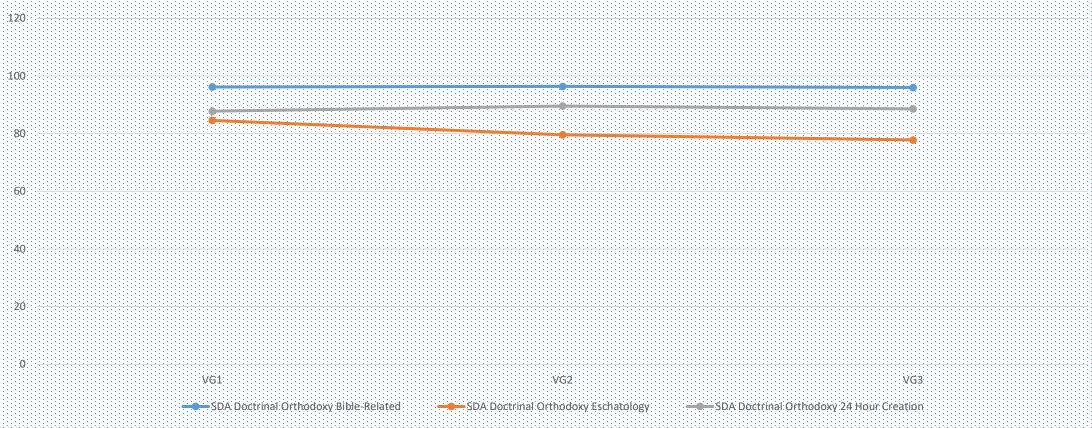
#### Church Climate & Loyalty



## SDA Doctrinal Faith

- General/Bible-Related
  - The Ten Commandments still apply to us today.
  - The true Sabbath is the seventh-day Saturday.
- Eschatology
  - The investigative or pre-advent judgment in heaven began in 1844.
  - The Seventh-day Adventist Church is God's true last-day church with a message to prepare the world for the Second Coming of Christ.
- God created the world in six 24-hour literal days.

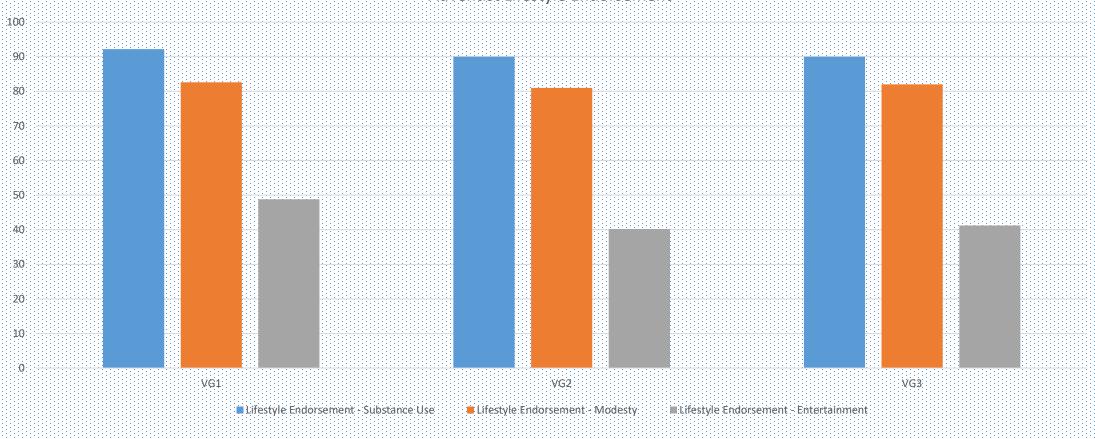


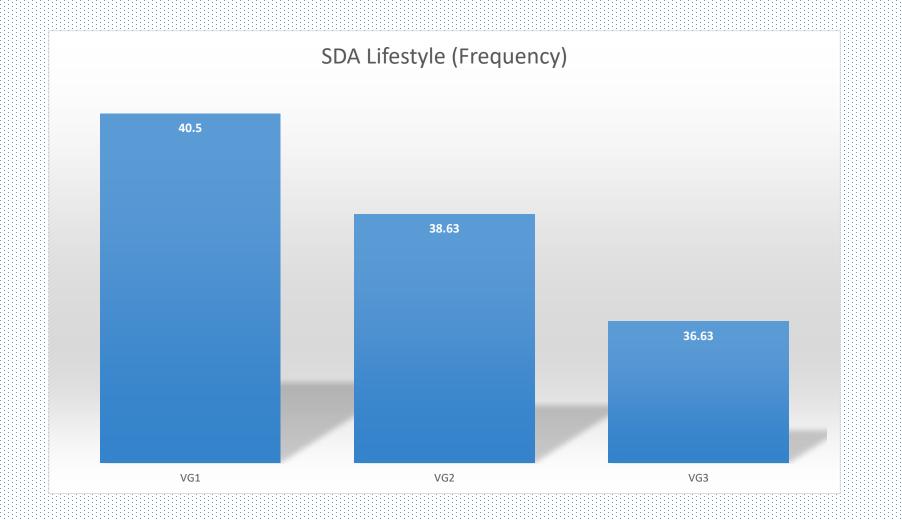


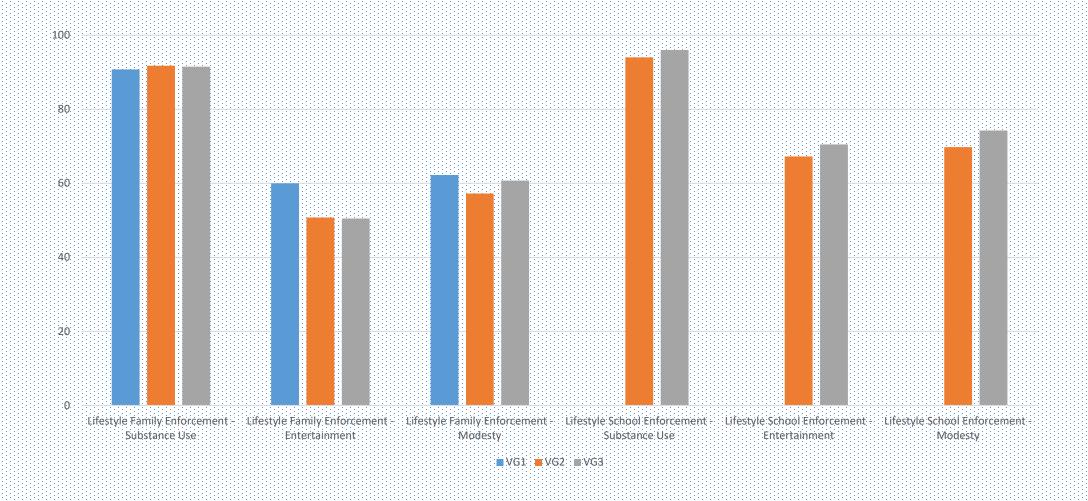
## Adventist Lifestyle

- Frequency/Practice
  - How often, if ever, did you do each of the following during the last year?
    - Smoking, Jewelry, listening to hard rock music, etc.
- Endorsement
  - How much do you personally agree or disagree with....
    - One should not use tobacco, illegal drugs, etc. (Substance Use).
    - One should wear modest clothes (Modesty).
    - One should not dance, wear jewelry, etc. (Entertainment).
- Enforcement
  - How strictly is it enforced by family (V1-V3) & school (V2-V3)?

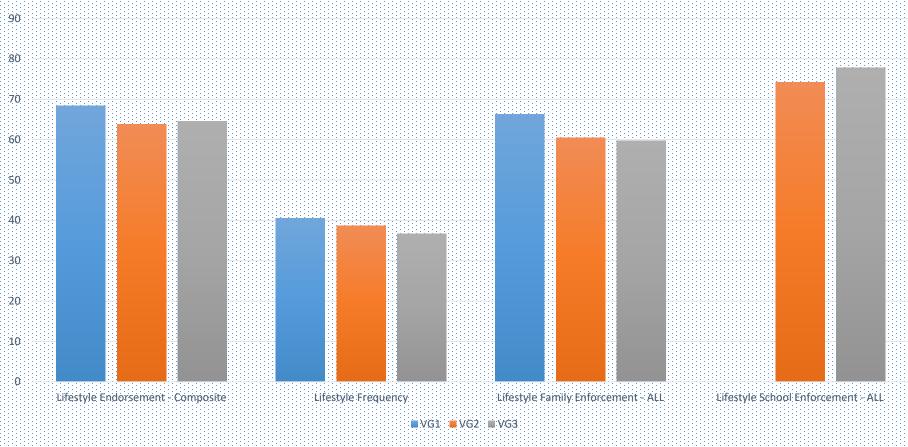
#### Adventist Lifestyle Endorsement





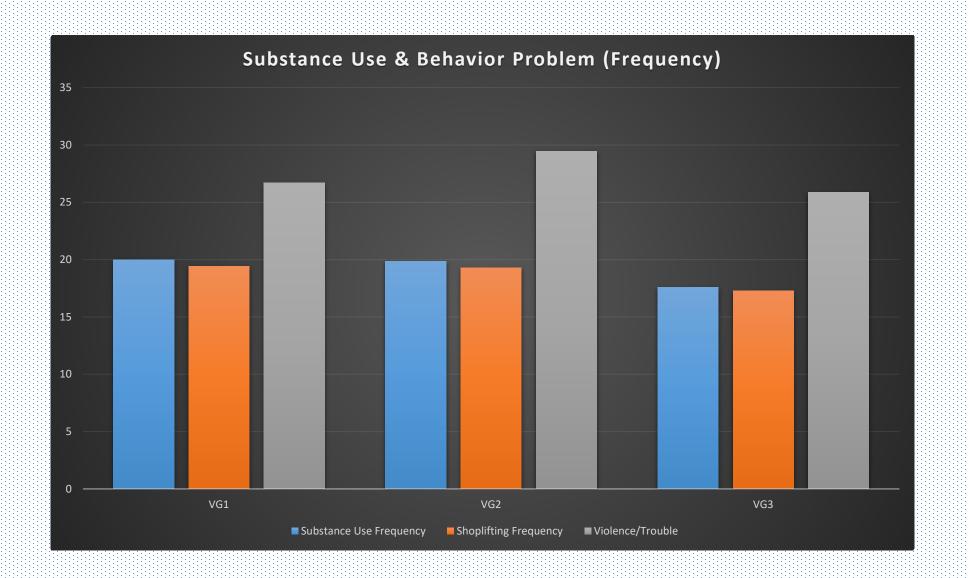


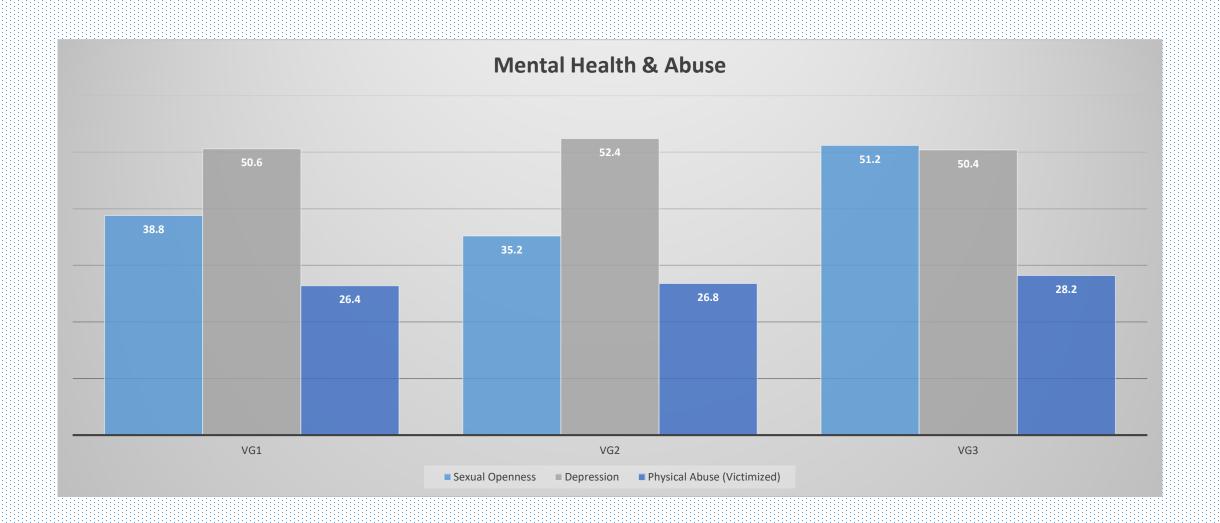
SDA Lifestyle: Endorsement, Practice, & Enforcement



# Substance Use & Physical Abuse

- Substance Use & Violence
  - How many times, if ever, during the last 12 months did you do...
    - Drink alcohol, use marijuana, prescription drugs.....
    - Hit or beat up someone.
- Depression
  - How often have you felt depressed during the last month?
- Physical Abuse
  - Have you ever been physically abused by an adult (that is, when an adult caused you to have a scar, black and blue marks, bleeding, or a broken bone)?
  - V2-V3 (Sexual Abuse)





# Physical & Sexual Abuse

Mean Score & Frequency

	VG1	VG2	VG3	Min-Max
Physical	1.32	1.34	1.41	1-5
Sexual		1.39	1.27	1-5

5-Point Likert Scale

Never

Once

2 or 3 times

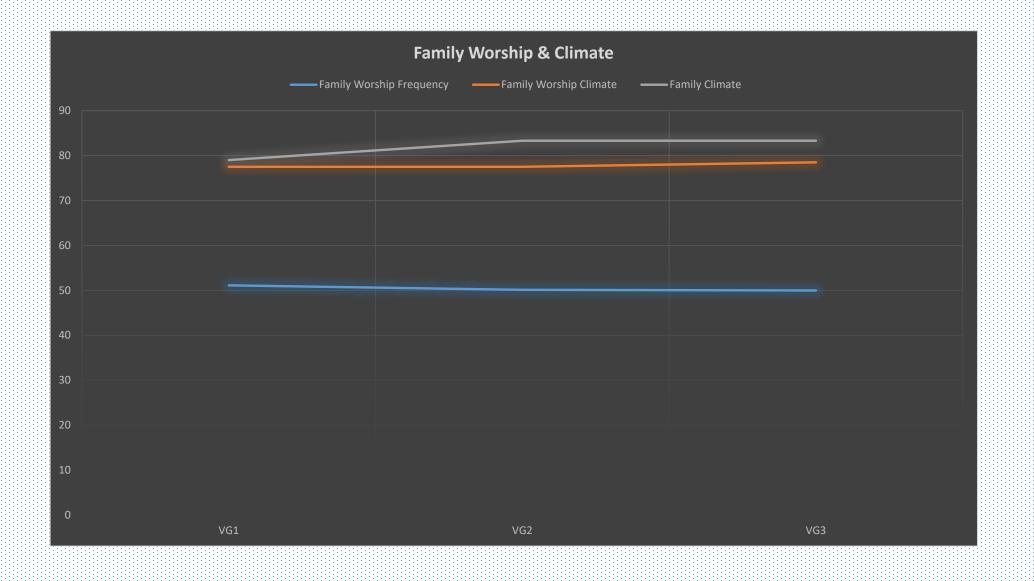
4-10 times

More than 10 times

	Physical V1	Physical V2	Physical V3	Sexual V2	Sexual V3
Never	83%	82%	79%	80%	85%
Once	8%	8%	9%	9%	8%
2-3 Times	6%	5%	6%	6%	4%
4-10 Times	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
> 10 Times	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%

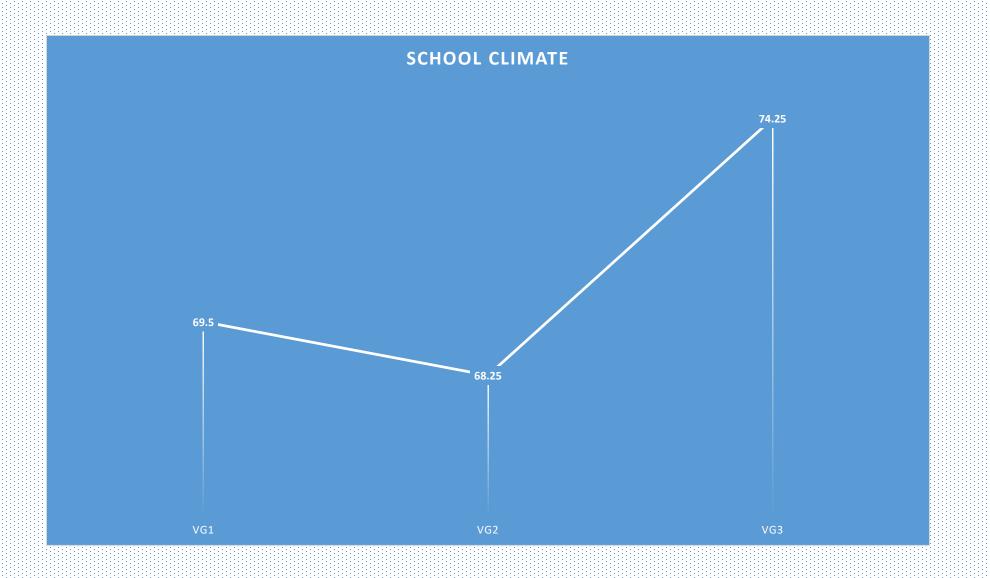
## Family Worship and Climate

- Family worship
  - How often does your family have family worship?
  - When you think about family worship or other religious events in your home..
    - Interesting, meaningful, & waste of time
- Family Climate
  - How much do you agree or disagree...
    - My family life is happy.
    - There is a lot of love in my family.
    - I get along well with my parents.

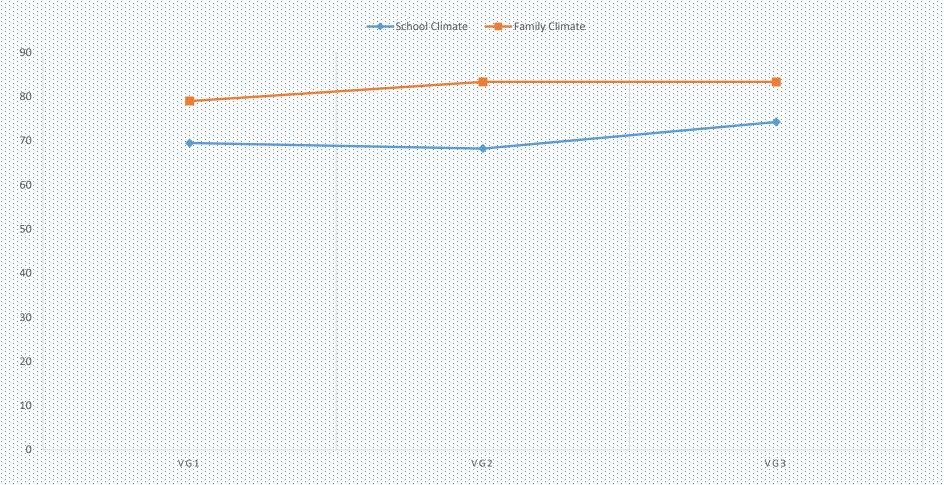


## School Climate (9 Items)

- How much do you agree or disagree with
  - Students often feel "put down" by teachers.
  - There is real school spirit.
  - Discipline is fair.
  - Teachers listen to what their students say.



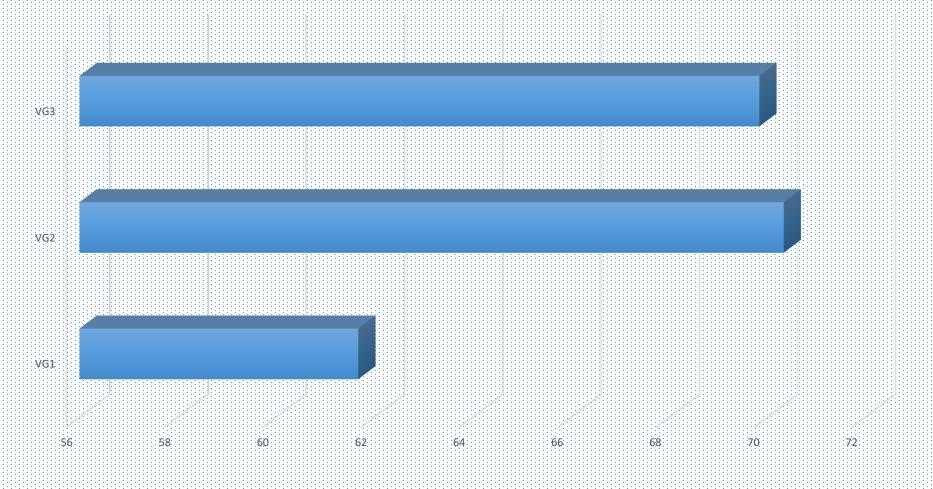
#### **FAMILY & SCHOOL CLIMATE**



## Church Program

- Think about our experience with religious programs/education at your church. Tell how true it is for you...
  - Programs are interesting.
  - Programs make me think
  - My pastors know me well.
  - My adult leaders are warm and friendly.
  - I can be myself when at church.

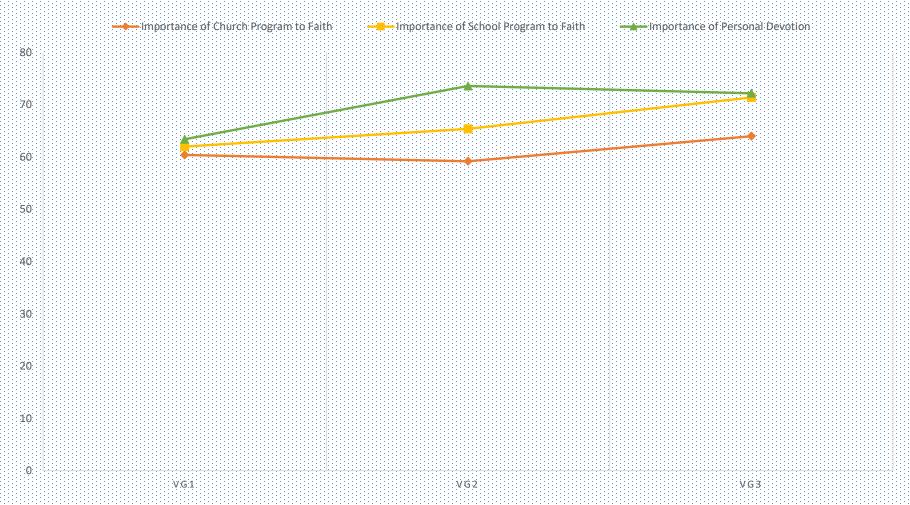
### **Church Program Evaluation**



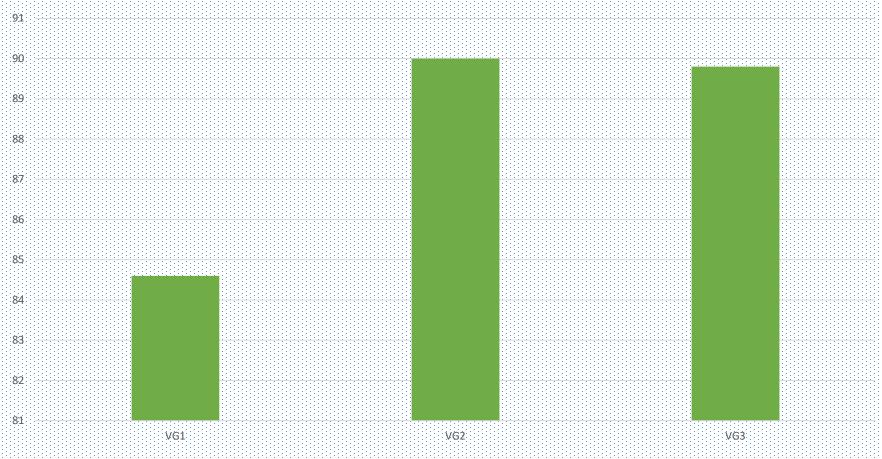
## Faith Growth & Ed Aspiration

- How much has each of the following helped you develop your religious faith?
  - Sabbath school, Personal devotions, Church services, Weekly chapels at school, Bible classes at school, Short term mission trips, etc.....
- How far in school do you think you will get?
  - High school drop-out, high school, some college education, four-year college, and graduate/professional programs.

#### FAITH INFLUENCE FACTOR



#### **Educational Aspiration**



#### Shape of Change in V1-V2-V3

#### Steady Increase

- Horizontal & Vertical Faith
- SDA Lifestyle Practice (Frequency)
- Sexual Openness
- Family Climate
- Importance of School Program to Faith
- Importance of Personal Devotion to Faith

#### Steady Decrease

- SDA Doctrinal Faith Eschatology
- Lifestyle Endorsement Entertainment
- Lifestyle Family Enforcement -Entertainment

#### V-shape Change

- Salvation (by Righteousness) Belief
- School Climate

#### Reversed V-shape Change

- Personal Devotion
- Church Climate
- Church Program

## Some Notable Findings

#### Adventist Lifestyle

- Positive Development in SDA Lifestyle Endorsement & Practice
- Weak Endorsement: Entertainment
- Weak Enforcement: Modesty and Entertainment
- Relatively Weak Family SDA Lifestyle Enforcement
- Abstinence from Substance Use

#### Worship/Church

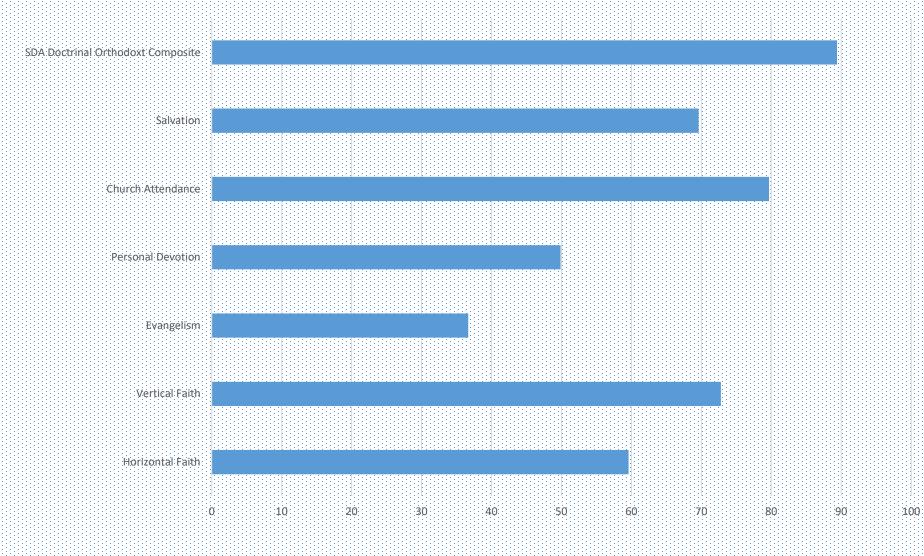
- Low Level of Family Worship Frequency
- Significant <u>Improvement of Church Program</u> from V1 to V2
- Stagnant Importance of Church Program to Youth Faith
- Salvation (by Righteousness) Belief (Why increase again?)

#### Education

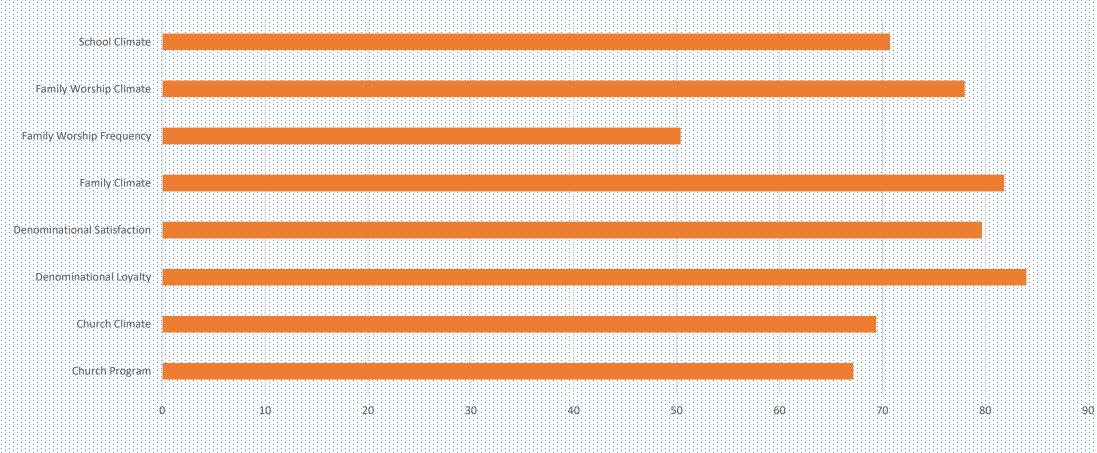
- Improvement of Educational Aspiration from V1 to V2
- Steady Increase on School Program Importance to Faith

# Combining V1-V3

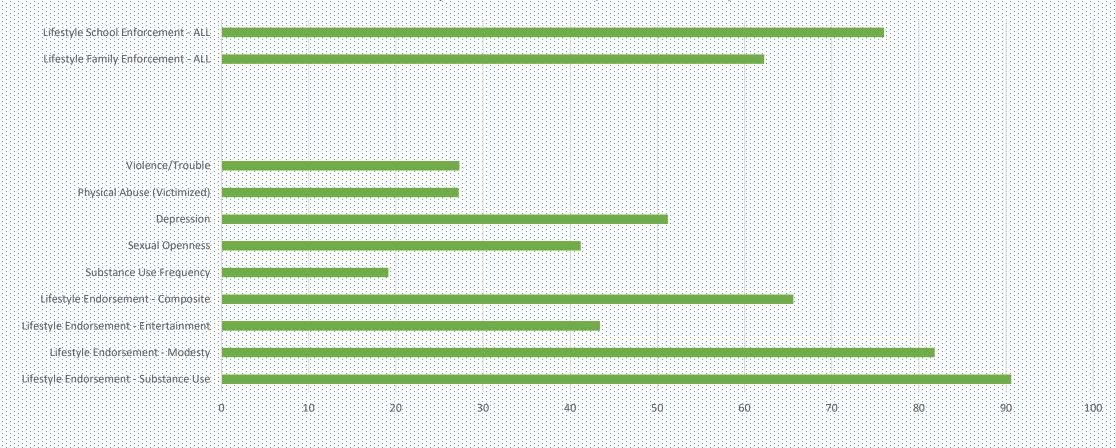
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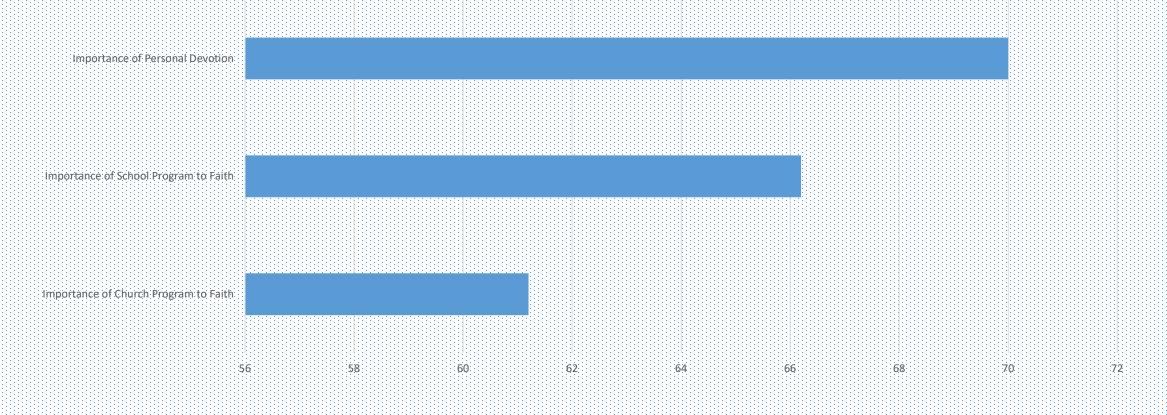
#### Church, Family, & School (VG1-3 Combined)



#### Lifestyle & Mental Health (VG1-3 Combined)



#### Influence on My Faith Development (V1-3 Combined)



## **High** Performance Area (V1-V3 Combined)

- Personal Faith/Religiosity
  - SDA Doctrinal Faith
  - Church Attendance
  - Vertical Faith
  - Salvation (by Righteousness) Belief
- Church-related
  - Denominational Loyalty
  - Denominational Satisfaction
  - Church Climate

- SDA Lifestyle
  - Endorsement Substance Use
  - Endorsement Modesty
  - Abstain from Substance Use
  - Depression
  - Sexual Openness
- Family & School
  - School Climate
  - Educational Aspiration
  - Importance of School to Faith
  - Family Climate
  - Family Worship Climate

## **Low** Performance Area (V1-V3 Combined)

- Evangelism
- Lifestyle Entertainment
- Church Program
- Family Worship Frequency
- Lifestyle Enforcement Family (Entertainment/Appearance)

# Diversity

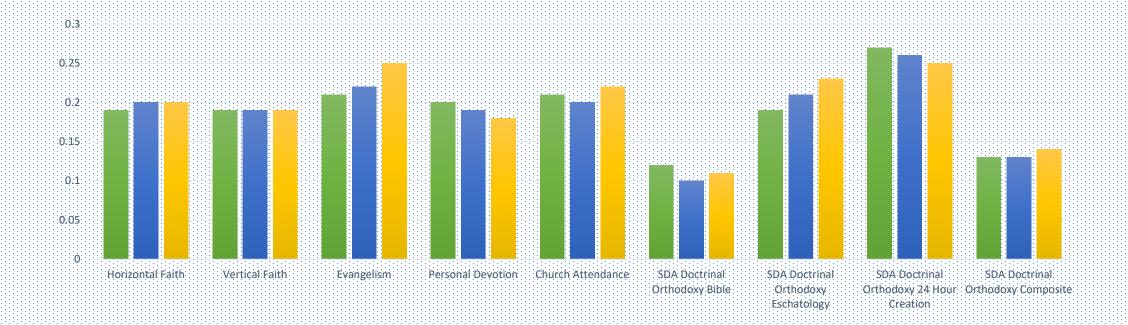
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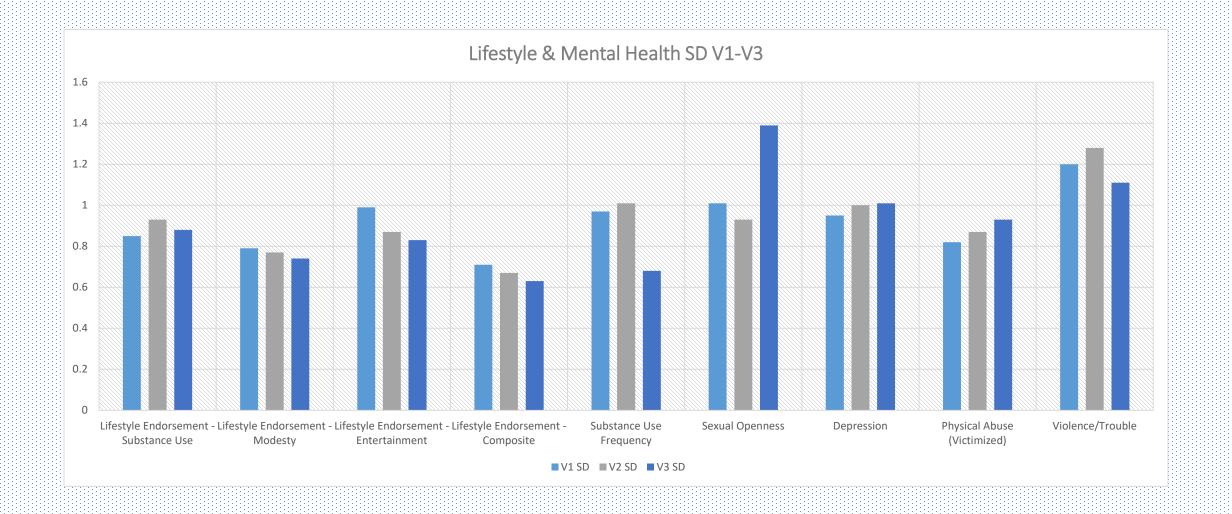
## Looking at Diversity

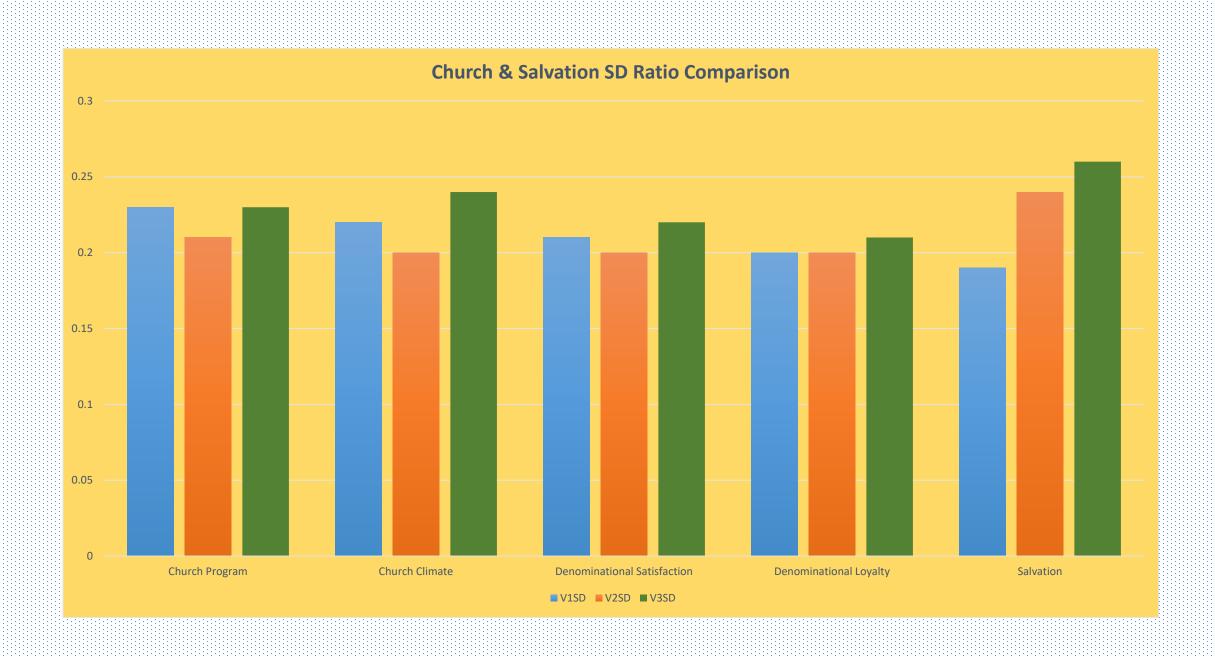
(Ex. SDA Lifestyle Endorsement)

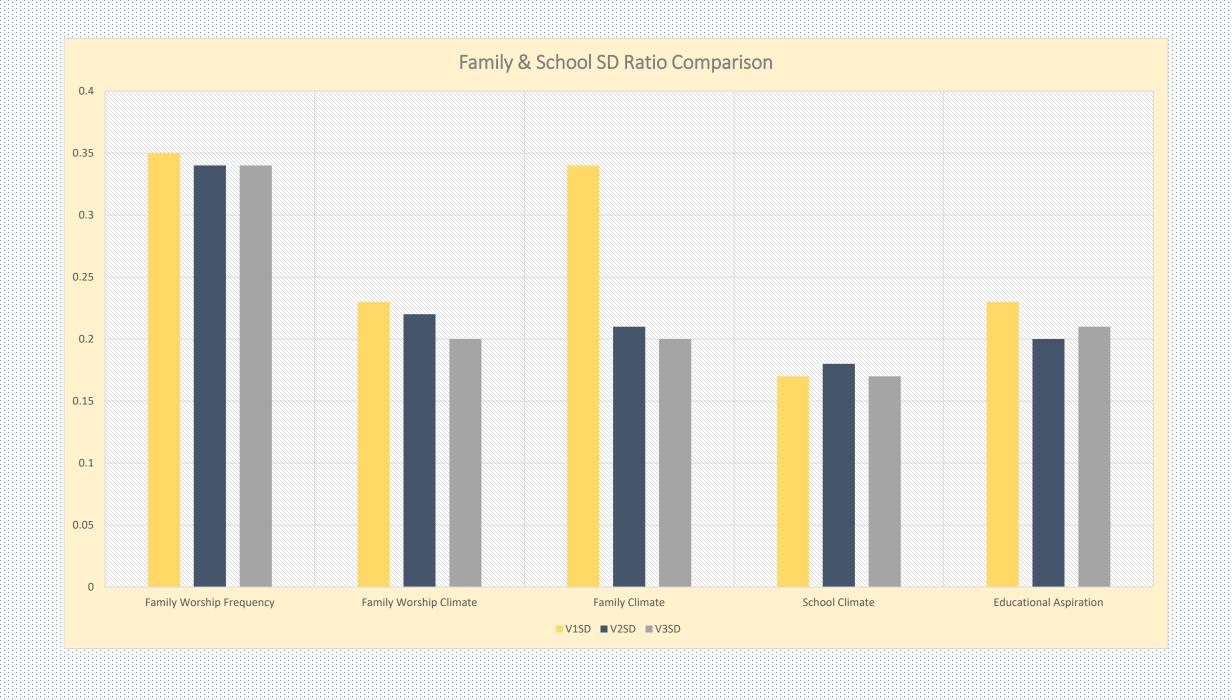
	VG 1	VG 2	VG 3	VG1/Range	VG2/Range	VG3/Range
Substance Use	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.21	0.23	0.22
Modesty	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.2		0.19
Entertainment Sexual	1	0.9	0.8	0.25	0.22	0.21
Openness	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.34	0.31	0.3

#### **Personal Religiosity SD Ratio Comparison**

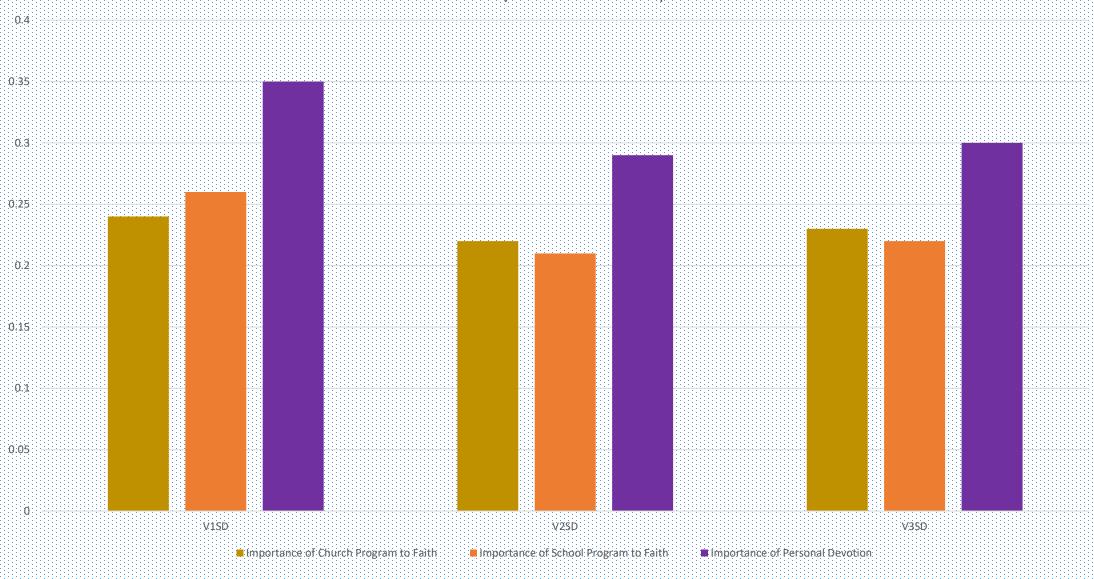








#### Influence on My Faith SD Ratio Comparison



## Changes in Diversity (V1-V3)

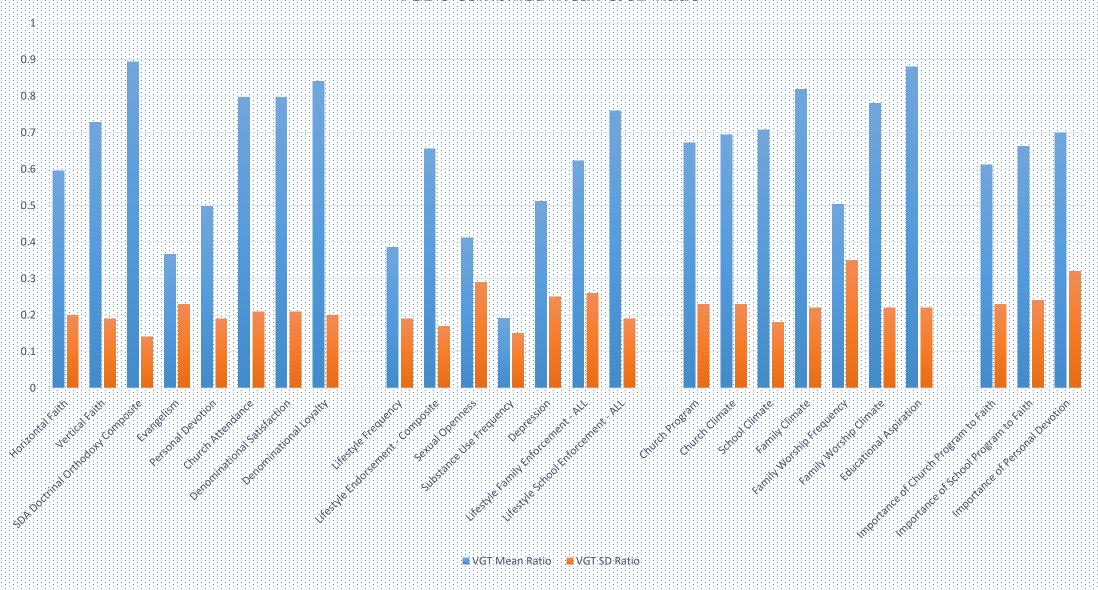
- Increased Diversity in...
  - Evangelism
  - Doctrinal Orthodoxy Eschatology
  - Salvation (by Righteousness) Belief
  - Sexual Openness
  - Importance of Church Program to Faith

- Increased Uniformity in...
  - Personal Devotion
  - Belief on Six-day 24-Hour Creation
  - Lifestyle Endorsement -Entertainment
  - Family Climate
  - Family Worship & Climate

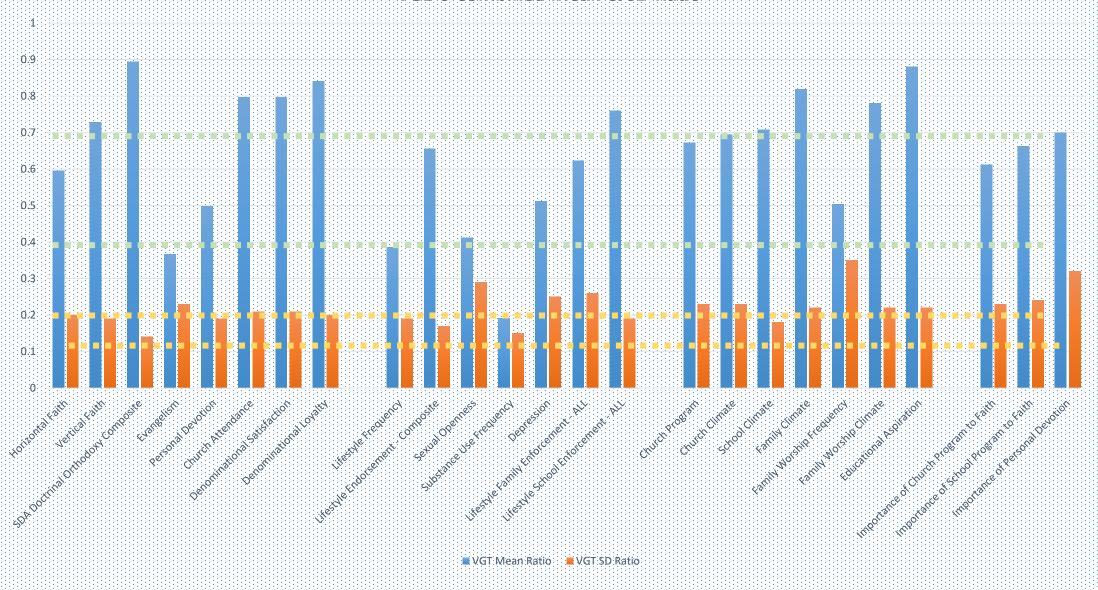
# Putting Together V1, V2 & V3



VG1-3 Combined Mean & SD Ratio



VG1-3 Combined Mean & SD Ratio



#### V1-V3 Combined

- **High** Performance Area (>.7)
  - Vertical Faith
  - Doctrinal Orthodoxy
  - Church Attendance
  - Denominational Satisfaction
  - Denomination Loyalty
  - Lifestyle School Enforcement
  - SDA Lifestyle Practice
  - Substance Use
  - Family Climate
  - Family Worship Climate
  - School Climate
  - Educational Aspiration
  - Importance of Devotion to Faith

- Low Performance Area (<.4)
  - Evangelism

#### V1-V3 Combined

- High Diversity Area
  - Sexual Openness
  - Depression
  - Lifestyle Family Enforcement
  - Family Worship Frequency
  - Importance of Personal Devotion to Faith

- Low Diversity Area
  - Doctrinal Orthodoxy
  - Lifestyle Endorsement
  - Substance Use Frequency
  - School Climate

## Why personal *religion* matters?

## Why personal religion matters?

Analysis of Valuegenesis 3

#### Predicting (Positive) Learning Effectiveness (Valuegenesis 3)

В	SE	r	
Constant	1.66*	.08	
Senior	.02	.01	.02
Female	.08*	.01	.07
African-American	06*	.02	03
Hispanic	06*	.02	03
Asian	.03	.02	.02
Multi-racial	03*	.02	02
Intrinsic Rel Orientation	.17*	.01	.15
Extrinsic Rel Orientation	.02*	.01	.03
Horizontal Faith Maturity	.07*	.01	.08
Vertical Faith Maturity	.19*	.01	.16
Christian General DO	.12*	.02	.06
SDA DO General	06*	.02	03
SDA Eschatology	.01	.01	.02

R square = .21; F (13, 9601) = 193.30; \*p < .05.

## Religion & Academic Traits

	Learning Effective (Positive)	Learning Effectiveness (Negative)	Academic Locus of Control (Internal)	Academic Locus of Control (External)
Intrinsic Orientation	+		+	+
Extrinsic Orientation	+	+	-	+
Vertical Faith Maturity	+	-	+	
Horizontal Faith Maturity	+		+	+
Christian General Doctrinal Orthodoxy	+	-	+	-
SDA Doctrinal Orthodoxy	+		+	-

## Religion, Lifestyle & Mental Health

	Lifestyle Entertainment	Lifestyle Modesty	Lifestyle Substance Use	Sexual Openness	Delinquent Behavior	Depression
Intrinsic Orientation	+	+	+		-	_
Extrinsic Orientation	-	-	-		+	+
Vertical Faith Maturity	-		+	-	-	-
Horizontal Faith Maturity		+		+	-	+
Christian General Doctrinal Orthodoxy	+	+	+		-	_
SDA Doctrinal Orthodoxy		+	+		-	

## Religion, Attachment, & Altruism

	Denominational Loyalty	Teacher-Student Attachment	Altruism	Bullying
Intrinsic Orientation	+	+	+	
Extrinsic Orientation	-	-	-	+
Vertical Faith Maturity	+	+	+	-
Horizontal Faith Maturity		+	+	
Christian General DO	+	+	+	
SDA General DO	+			-

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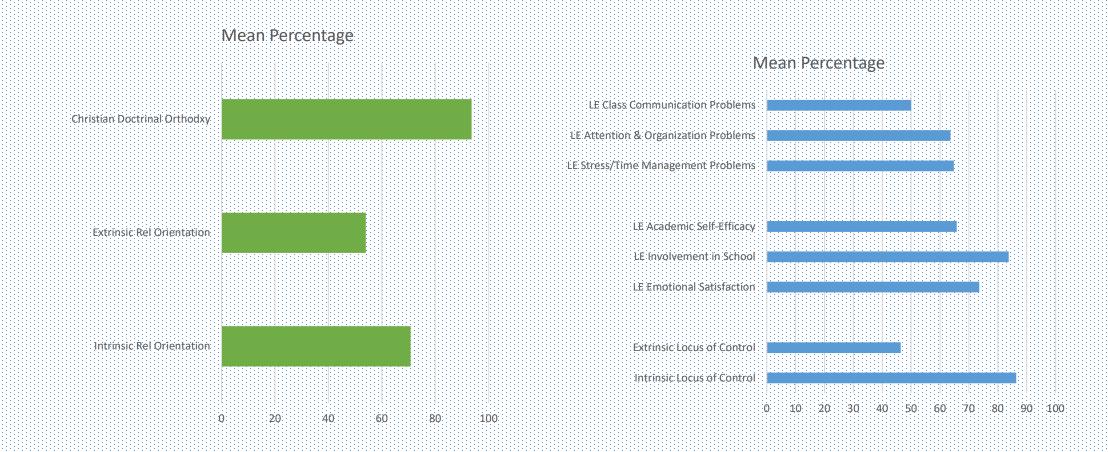
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- Extrinsic religion engenders...
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  - Depression
  - Bullying

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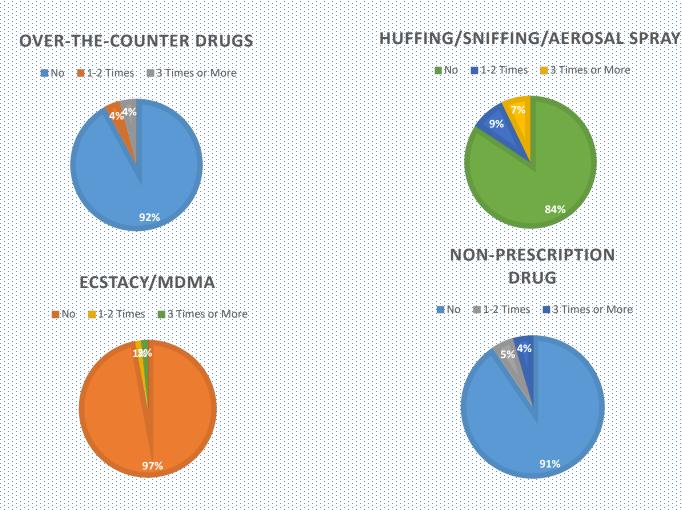
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#### Religious Orientation, Doctrinal Faith, Learning Effectiveness, & Locus of Control (V3)

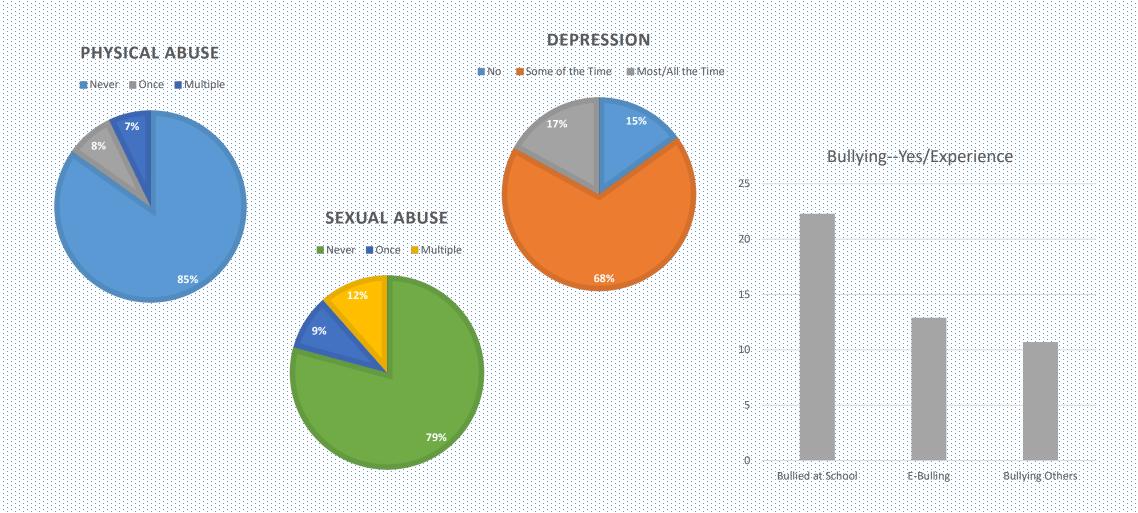


## **New Substance Use Questions in V3**

During your life, how many times have you been taken?



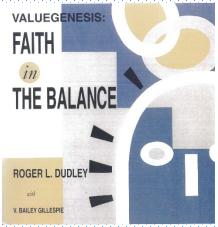
## Abuse, Depression, and Bullying (V3)



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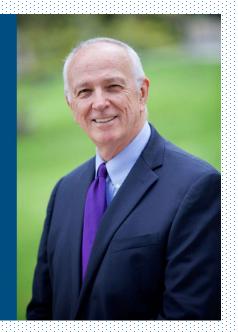
- Let's *celebrate* & *continue* the great legacy of research on and ministry of...
  - Adventist education and young people
  - Faith and religion of Adventist Young People
  - Influence of family, school, and church on Adventist youth





Celebrating the life of

Dr. V. Bailey Gillespie
1942-2018



## **Valuegenesis** IV (2020)

- A collaborative project of
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  - John Hancock Center for Youth and Family Ministry, La Sierra University
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#### From **Valuegenesis** IV will come:

- Descriptions of Adventist education today compared to the three previous studies in 1990, 2000, 2010.
- Understanding into the experiences, needs, and interests of young people
- A national overview of Adventist Christian education programs their breadth, impact, resource impact, climate, and spiritual life
- Understanding the impact of Adventist education on young peoples' spirituality and lifestyle
- Isolation and explanation of the factors that promote effective family environments, congregational effectiveness, and school quality
- Insight into the trends to expect regarding faith maturity, religious motivation, loyalty to the Adventist church, belief configurations and doctrinal support, personal spiritual development, faith growth and potential for future involvement in the local congregation
- Understanding of the power and function of youth and young adult ministry, spiritual life endeavors by schools and family as to their impact on the young
- Comparisons among the youth of previous generations and insights into hundreds of areas of personal life and growth
- A look at practical ways congregations can strengthen Christian education program and family life ministry for children, teenagers, and young adults in this new generation.
- Resource information and new materials to help schools and congregations plan and implement effective change
- Comparisons and trend analysis regarding values, commitments, school life, and lifestyle choices among the study generations
- Insight into family life and its implications for loyalty and maturity
- Progress reports on the changes and trends that family, schools, and congregations may anticipate in the coming decades

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- Questionnaire
  - Reduce the Number of Questions
  - Keep the core (if not majority) questions of V1-V3 surveys
    - Personal Religiosity, Doctrinal Faith
    - Lifestyle, Climate, Youth Programs, Family, & School
  - Add new questions
    - PED, Internet
    - Academic (Achievement) & Positive Psychological (Well-Being & Gratitude) Traits
- Data, Analysis & Report
  - Keep the Data on Non-SDA Students and by Region/State/Conference.
  - One Database for V1-V4
  - Post-Survey Interaction with NAD, Unions, Schools, & Churches
  - Focused, Problem-solving, Practical, and Policy-oriented Post-Survey Collaboration
- Open to Input, Suggestion & Discussion

"We believe that through closer investigation into our own attitudes and behaviors we can make the necessary changes which help the grace of Christ to be seen.... This project begins the significant process of looking at what is in order to become what might be (Gillespie, 1992, xii-xiii)."



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