

Greater New Jersey Leadership Survey

10/1/2016 - Number of Respondents - 524 - Number of Laity - 376 - Number of Clergy - 148

	Question	Total		Laity		Clergy	
		% Agree	% Highly Agree	% Agree	% Highly Agree	% Agree	% Highly Agree
1	I am excited about being in leadership in The United Methodist Church	85%	37%	83%	34%	91%	45%
The congregation's Ministry		80%	Average				
2	My congregation equips and supports laity for leading and carrying out ministry.	83%	38%	81%	34%	88%	51%
3	My congregation has a ministry plan that includes a vision, mission and goals and we are constantly working to accomplish our plan.	73%	35%	72%	34%	75%	39%
4	I agree with the direction of my congregation(s).	78%	36%	76%	31%	85%	48%
5	My congregation and pastor work well together.	84%	48%	80%	41%	95%	65%
6	I am satisfied with the present pastoral appointment.	86%	57%	84%	56%	90%	62%
GNJ Direction		84%	Average				
7	I am committed to the ministry of GNJ.	91%	44%	88%	37%	97%	61%
8	I understand what a vital congregation is.	94%	51%	93%	43%	98%	69%
9	I know the resources available for growing a vital congregation.	81%	34%	77%	27%	93%	51%
10	I agree with the direction of GNJ.	71%	25%	72%	23%	70%	31%
GNJ staff support of congregations		75%	Average				
11	GNJ staff has helped me grow my leadership skills.	62%	13%	57%	12%	72%	16%
12	A GNJ staff person has visited my congregation in the last two years for worship , a meeting, a training or other event.	73%	26%	74%	25%	70%	28%
13	GNJ staff are resourcing my congregation to become more vital.	54%	13%	51%	12%	61%	13%
14	GNJ staff and leadership provide helpful and quality service to my congregation(s).	67%	15%	64%	12%	74%	23%
15	Answering and/or responding to phone calls.	82%	28%	78%	21%	90%	42%
16	Answering financial questions.	80%	24%	75%	17%	91%	37%

17	Answering questions about reports.	83%	23%	79%	15%	90%	37%
18	Responding to emails.	85%	28%	83%	22%	90%	39%
19	Training lay leadership.	69%	14%	71%	15%	64%	10%
20	Training clergy leadership.	78%	18%	74%	18%	84%	19%
21	Communicating about events and activities.	86%	25%	85%	20%	89%	36%
22	Explaining shared ministry payments.	80%	18%	74%	15%	91%	25%
	Communication Ministry	63%	Average				
23	Sharing stories about congregations and the conference.	74%	15%	72%	14%	77%	19%
24	Communicating the direction of the conference.	78%	18%	75%	17%	85%	21%
25	I find the GNJ website provides helpful information.	79%	19%	82%	19%	72%	20%
26	I find the GNJ website easy to navigate.	61%	11%	66%	11%	50%	12%
27	I have received sufficient training and/or help to locate and complete forms and reports.	68%	9%	63%	7%	79%	13%
28	I read the weekly GNJ electronic newsletter, The Digest, and it provides the information I need.	75%	18%	66%	14%	91%	28%
29	I read the GNJ monthly newspaper, The Relay, and it provides relevant information for me and my congregation.	81%	18%	80%	18%	84%	18%
30	I watch GNJ produced videos and find them relevant for my ministry.	45%	9%	40%	6%	56%	13%
31	I engage with GNJ social media and find the information timely and appropriate.	43%	7%	38%	4%	53%	12%
32	I read The Connection, the Connectional Ministries Blog and find it relevant to my ministry.	24%	4%	19%	4%	33%	3%
	GNJ Resourcing	51%	Average				
33	I have participated in the Laity Leadership Academy and it has helped me be a better leader.	24%	9%	27%	10%	7%	3%
34	I have participated in other laity training and it has helped me be a better leader.	66%	15%	70%	17%	39%	0%
35	I have participated in Team Vital and it has helped me and my congregation to develop and work on a plan to grow the vitality of my congregation.	27%	9%	25%	9%	32%	9%
36	I have participated in the GNJ clergy coaching program and it has helped me be a better clergy leader.	30%	16%	3%	1%	64%	33%

37	I have participated in a clergy PaCE group and it has helped me be a better clergy leader.	25%	11%	5%	3%	51%	22%
38	I have participated in Communities of Hope and it has helped me be a better leader	19%	4%	16%	3%	24%	6%
39	I have participated/volunteered with A Future With Hope and it has strengthened my commitment to mission.	53%	19%	45%	16%	67%	25%
40	My congregation has attended IGNITE and has helped our youth grow in faith.	48%	21%	45%	21%	54%	23%
41	My congregation has supported the Mission Fund and doing so enhanced our missional awareness.	84%	23%	86%	21%	82%	26%
42	GNJ is engaged in justice and mercy ministry and is helping congregations engage in mission.	80%	17%	80%	20%	80%	13%
43	GNJ is assisting congregations in making new disciples.	70%	12%	66%	13%	76%	10%
44	GNJ is assisting congregations to start new faith communities (a faith community is a new congregation, or a new worship service, or a second campus).	63%	12%	61%	10%	65%	16%
45	GNJ is assisting congregations to develop lay leadership.	80%	15%	77%	16%	85%	12%