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RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY

(1078 Surveys)

Purpose

The objective of this survey was to solicit candid feedback that will serve as a helpful guide to the Catholic Church in restoring the bond of trust with the laity and the general public.

	<u>Question</u>	<u>Yes Percentage</u>	<u>No Percentage</u>
1.	Are you currently aware of any unreported instances of abuse by a cleric or other Church official? (Cleric refers to a priest or deacon.)	0.09% *	99.91%
2.	Are you aware of any specific disciplinary action ever taken against a cleric?	42%	58%
3.	Is your Pastor or Bishop having open discussions on the child sex abuse scandal?	75%	25%
4.	Has your Pastor or Bishop taken enough positive steps to heal the wounds caused by abusive clerics?	66%	34%
5.	Should lay boards have influence regarding parish administration, ministry or mission, including finances?	87%	13%
6.	Should lay boards have any influence over the acceptance of seminarians?	54%	46%
7.	Should Bishops utilize a consultative and active lay board?	90%	10%
8.	Do you believe that the Grand Jury report fairly grouped the Harrisburg Diocese with the other Dioceses?	41%	59%
9.	Has the current crisis caused you to doubt your faith or even to consider leaving the Church?	33%	67%
10.	Are you concerned with how legal fees and restitution will be paid?	70%	30%

Narrative Questions

- 1. What gestures should the Church undertake to restore your trust?**
- Eighty six percent (86%) of the respondents submitted a commentary.
- 2. What can be done to get the younger generation back to the Church?**
- Seventy eight percent (78%) of respondents submitted a commentary.

* This unreported instance in one survey has been forwarded to the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office.