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**our project in numbers**

**549**  
surveyed catechists validated for analysis

**Ecclesiastical Province of Palo**

- Diocese of Borongan
  - Diocese of Calbayog
  - Diocese of Catarman
  - Diocese of Naval
- Archdiocese of Palo

**more than 20**  
research presentations

**2,275,154.70**  
research funds allocated

*Note: NCS data processed as of March 2019. These data will be updated when additional data are available.*

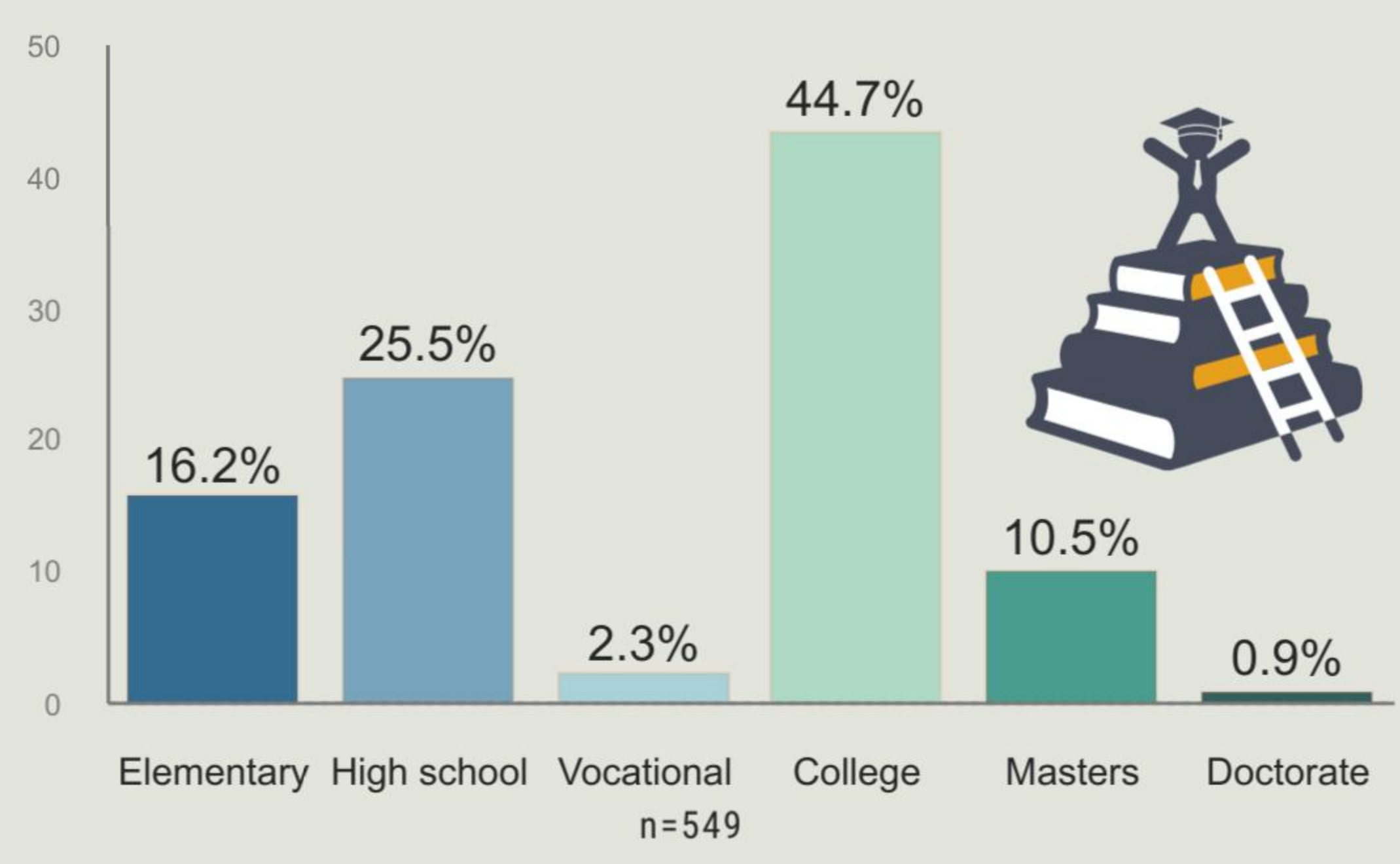
**7**  
project consultants

**about 1,000**  
volunteers, encoders, transcribers

**8**  
research team members

**numerous**  
field work; visits; interactions with catechists and catechetical leaders; ethnographic observations

**socio-demographic landscape**

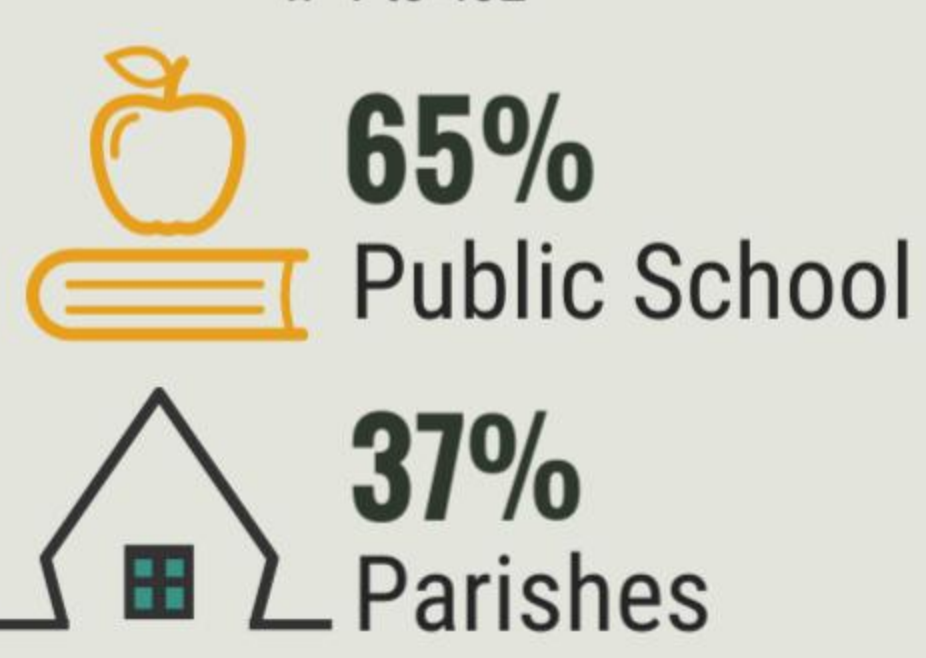


**62** years old  
average age of catechists  
n=512

**95%**  
women  
n=527

**formation, content, and pedagogy**

**Where are you doing catechesis?**  
n=1 to 432



**79%** of the catechized are **elementary pupils**  
n=1 to 432

**At present, what external factors contribute most in doing your catechesis effectively?**



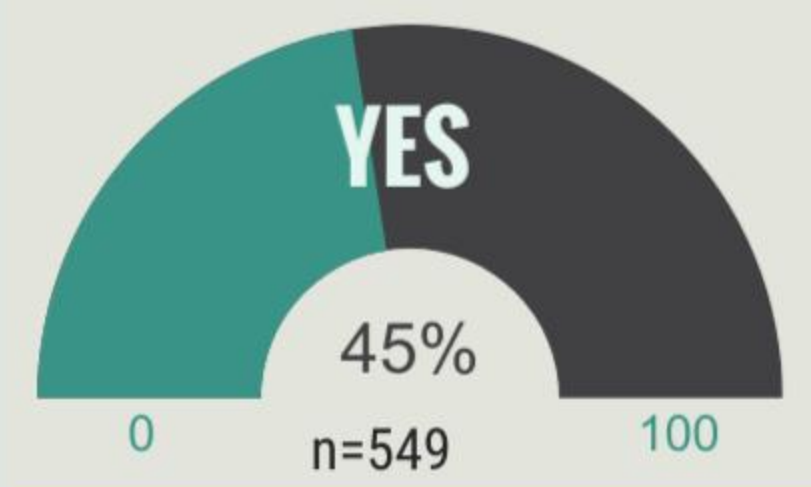
**n=5 to 412**

**In your observation, what issues and concerns do your students usually experience?**

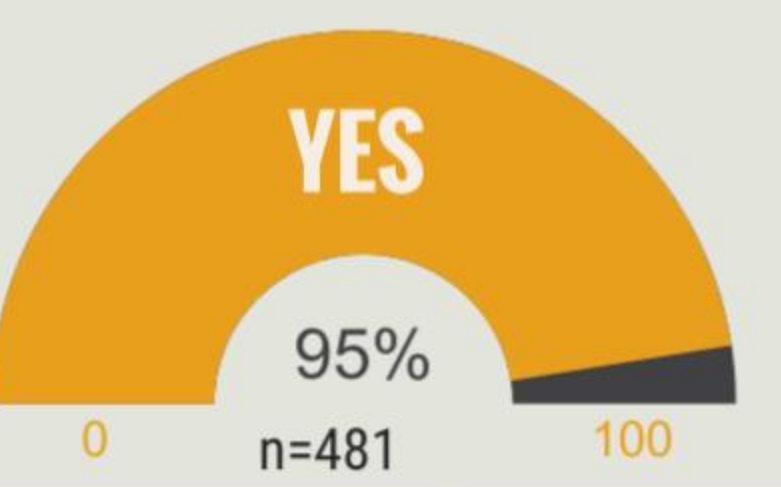


**catechists**

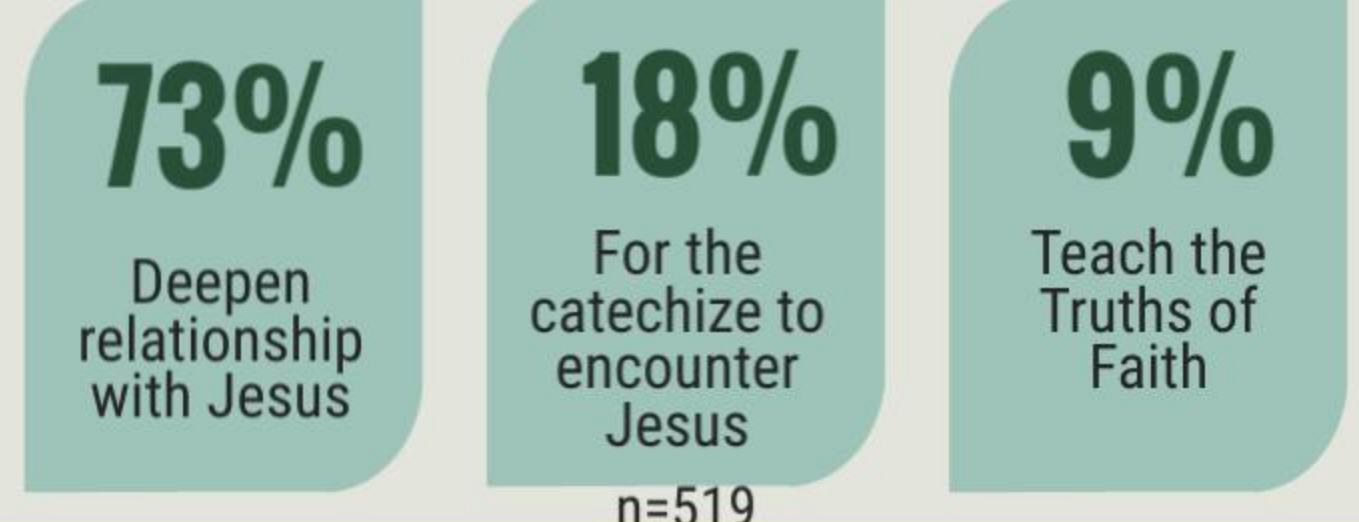
**Did you have any formal catechetical formation?**



**Do you attend on-going catechetical formation?**



**Which among the three goals of catechesis is your priority in catechizing?**

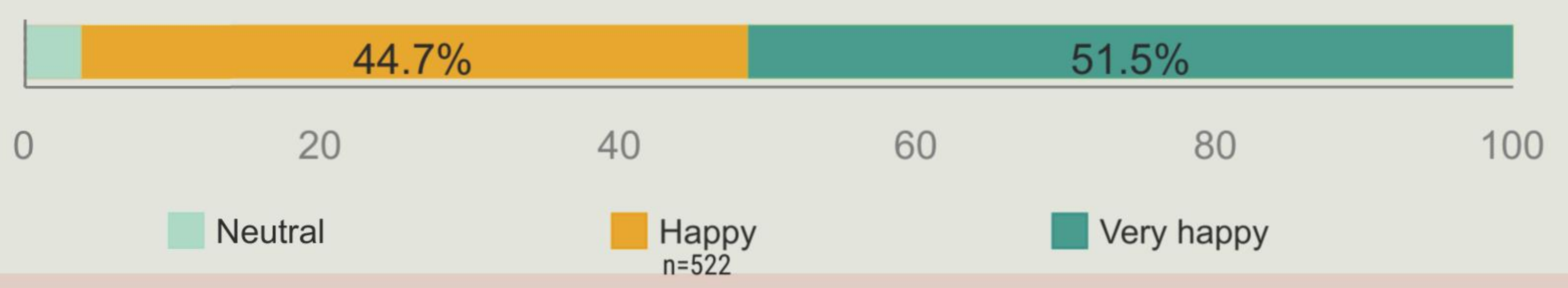


**What motivated you to be a catechist?**



**Lecture method as most preferred teaching technique**  
n=161

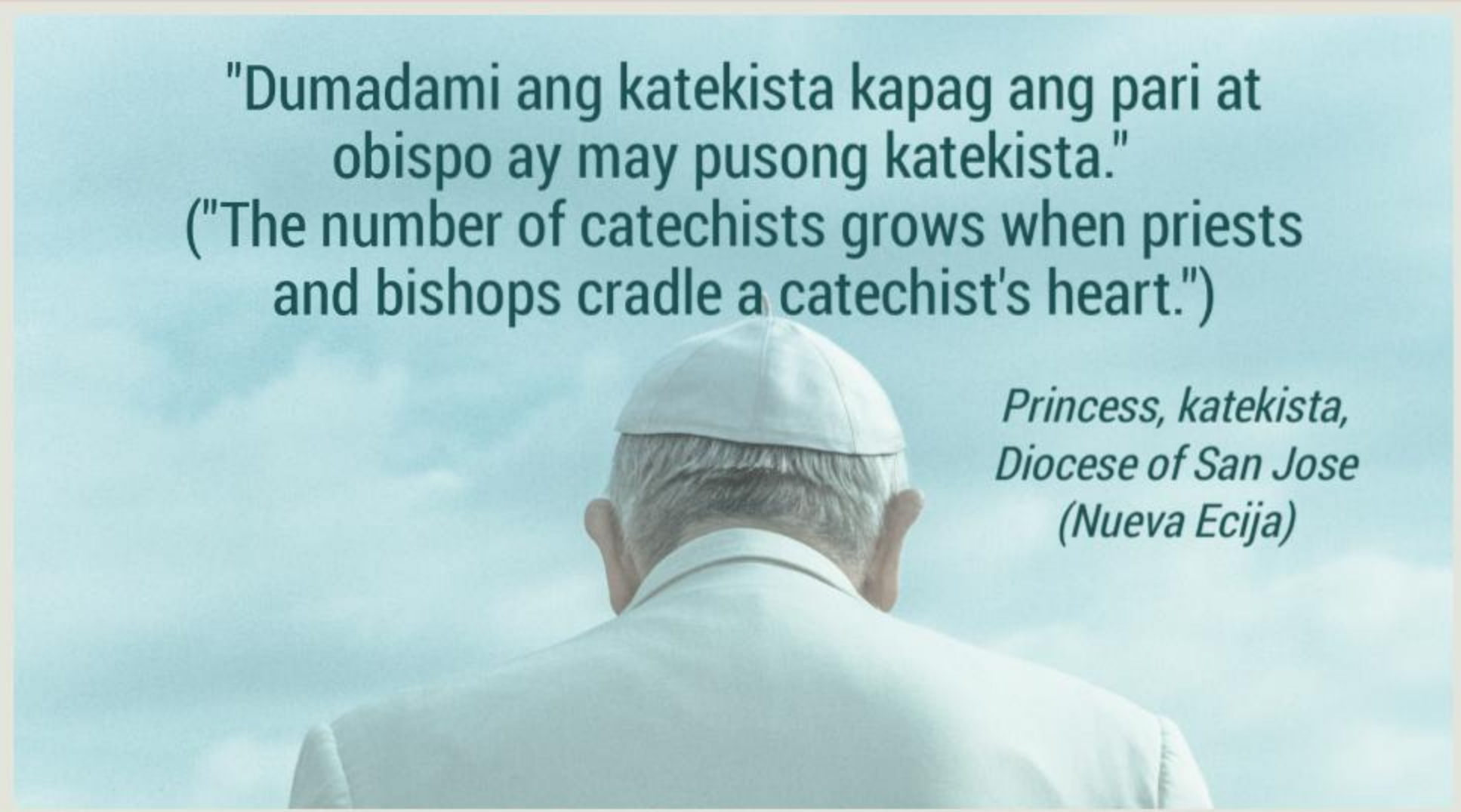
**How happy are you as a catechist?**



**NCS research team (2016-2018)**



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"Dumadami ang katekista kapag ang pari at obispo ay may pusong katekista."  
("The number of catechists grows when priests and bishops cradle a catechist's heart.")

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