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## our project in numbers

**1,017**  
surveyed catechists validated for analysis

**Ecclesiastical Province of Ozamiz**

- Diocese Dipolog
- Diocese Pagadian
- Archdiocese of Ozamiz
- Prelature Marawi
- Diocese Iligan



**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.

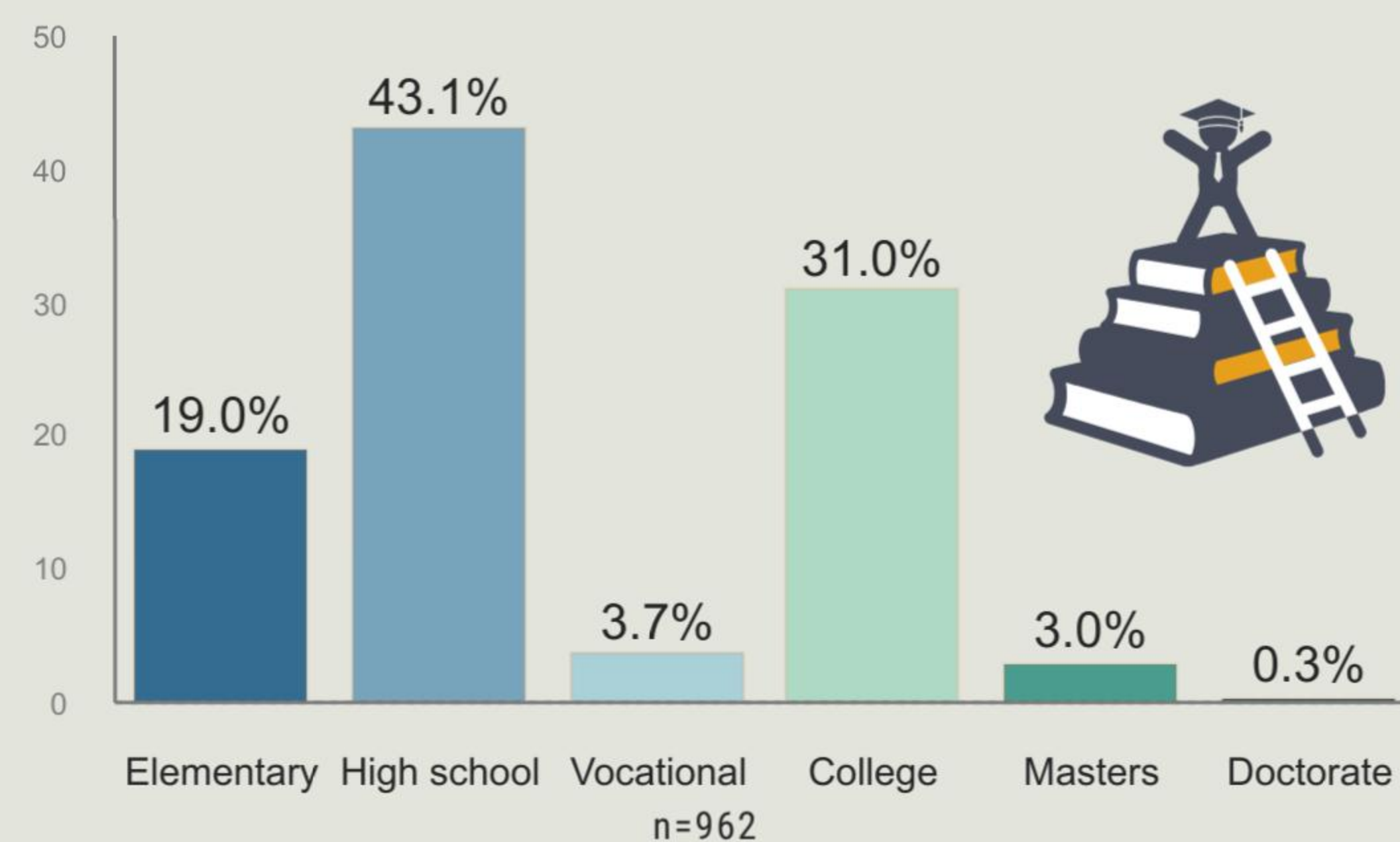
**7**  
project consultants

**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



**55** years old  
average age of catechists  
n=988

**97%**  
women  
n=987

## formation, content, and pedagogy

Where are you doing catechesis?  
n=4 to 704

**74%**  
Public School

**24%**  
Parishes

**79%** of the catechized are **elementary pupils**  
n=4 to 805

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

- Family
- Co-catechists
- Parish Priest
- Director or Coordinator



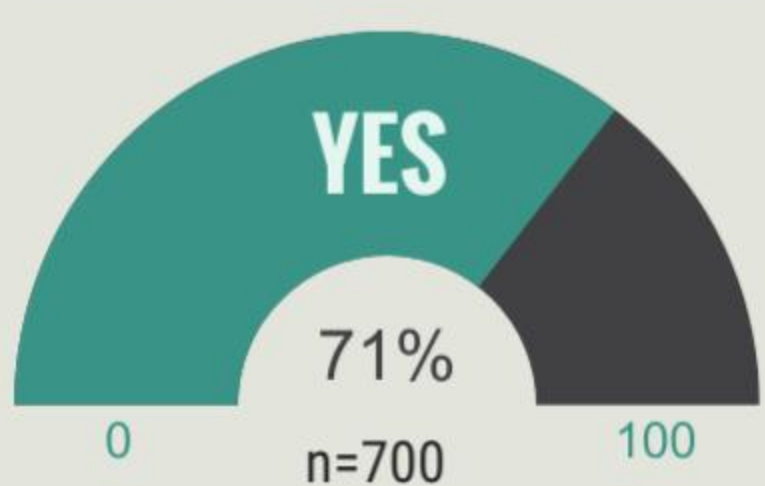
In your observation, what issues and concerns do your students usually experience?



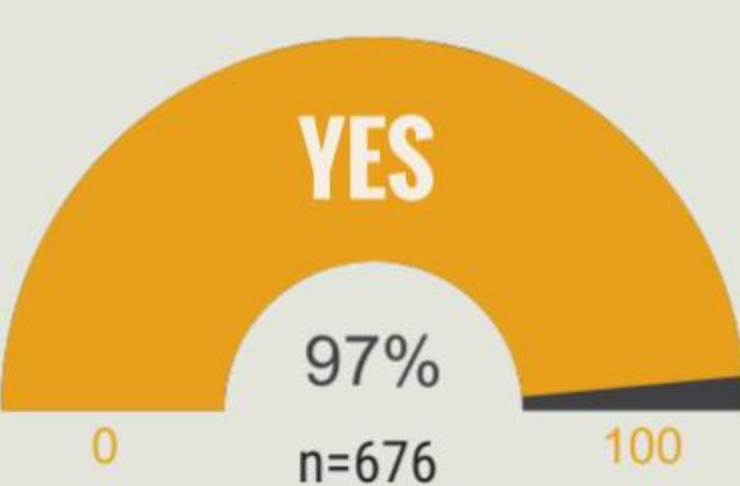
- Parents who do not go to church
- Jobless Parents
- Parents who are not married
- Lack of Education

## catechists

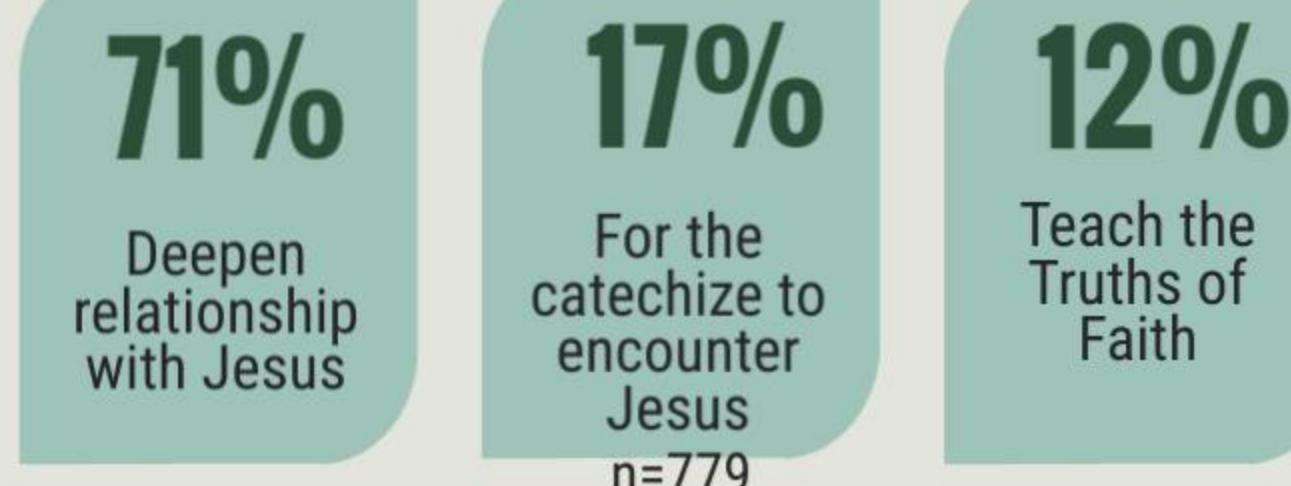
Did you have any formal catechetical formation?



Do you attend on-going catechetical formation?



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

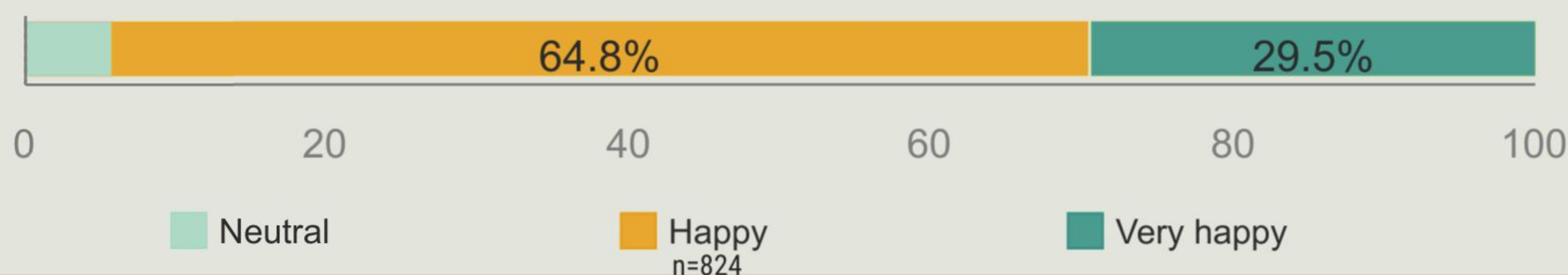


What motivated you to be a catechist?



**Story-telling as most preferred teaching technique**  
n=852

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.")

Princess, katekista,  
Diocese of San Jose  
(Nueva Ecija)