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**our project in numbers**

**294**  
surveyed catechists validated for analysis

Ecclesiastical Province of Jaro  
Archdiocese/Dioceses  
Jaro  
Bacolod  
Kabankalan  
San Carlos  
San Juan de Antirque

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

**more than 20**  
research presentations

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

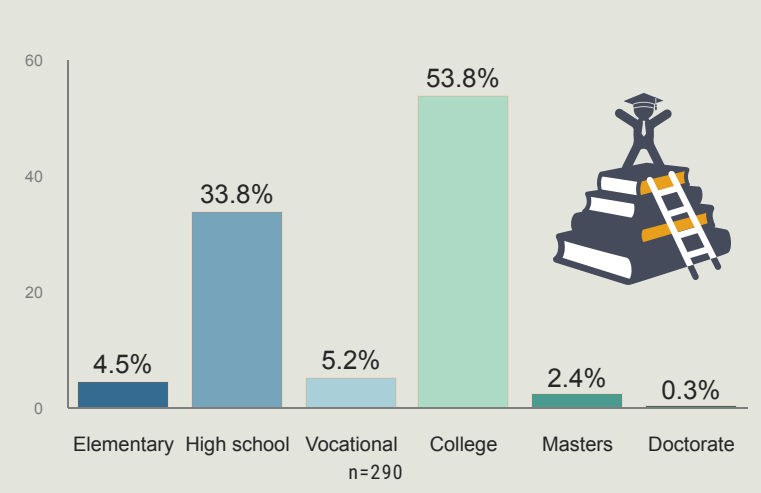
**7**  
project consultants

**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**



**54** years old  
average age of catechists  
n=293

**91%**  
women  
n=286

**formation, content, and pedagogy**

**Where are you doing catechesis?**  
n= 1 to 271

**92%**  
Parishes

**78%**  
Public School

**95% of the catechized are elementary pupils**  
n=4 to 278

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

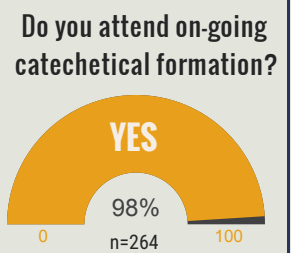
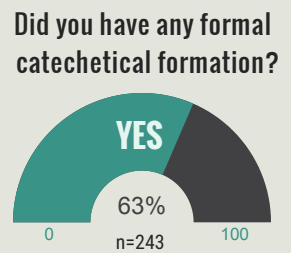
- 1 Parish Priest
- 2 Co-catechists
- 3 Family
- 4 Director/Coordinator



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

- 1 Parents who do not go to church
- 2 Parents who are not married
- 3 Jobless Parents
- 4 Separated parents

n= 5 to 232



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

- 72%** Deepen relationship with Jesus
- 17%** Initiate the catechized to an encounter with Jesus
- 11%** Teach the Truths of Faith

n=284

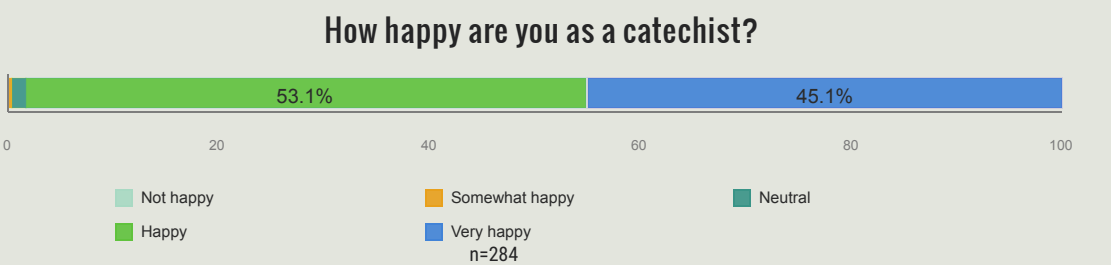
**What motivated you to be a catechist?**

**top answers**  
n=1 to 208

- 1 Deep relationship with Jesus
- 2 Sense of Mission

**catechists**

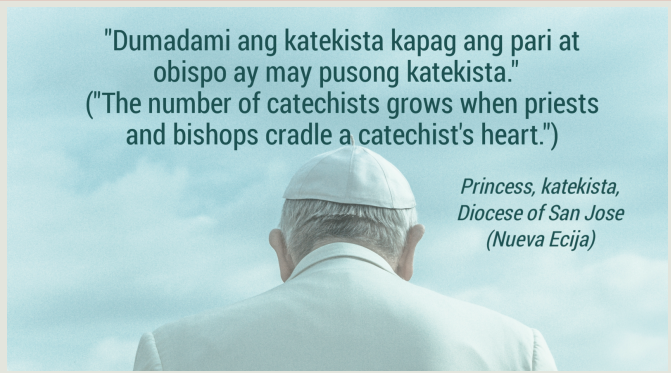
**Storytelling method as most preferred teaching technique**  
n=285



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