



### Constant Contact Survey Results

**Survey Name:** Interruptive Crises in Congregations

**Response Status:** Completed

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Congregations can experience various types of crises. One type is interruptive crises. This is a brief survey to gain your perspective on the interruptive crises experienced by congregations in North America. Thank you, in advance, for the time you will spend responding to this survey. [ NOTE: This survey is intended only for persons currently serving as a pastor or on the staff of a Christian congregation.]

\* The following is a list on 10 interruptive crises that may be experienced by congregations. Which do you see occurring most often in North American congregations? [Please limit your choices to no more than three or four. ]

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Accident [someone falling, a transportation vehicle wreck, something falling on someone]			27	18.6 %
Natural disaster [hurricane, tornado, earthquake, flood, etc.]			38	26.2 %
Violence [shooting, bombing, arson, etc.]			7	4.8 %
Death of pastor or other key leader			37	25.5 %
Sexual misconduct			67	46.2 %
Financial misconduct			37	25.5 %
Severe budget shortfall			92	63.4 %
Community crisis [health scare, loss of major employer]			56	38.6 %
Lawsuit against congregation or congregational pastor/staff leader			2	1.3 %
Personnel separation [forced downsizing, abrupt resignation]			71	48.9 %
Other			15	10.3 %
<b>Totals</b>			<b>145</b>	<b>100%</b>

\* Which of these 10 interruptive crises have you personally experienced during the past ten years?  
 [Please limit your choices to no more than three or four. ]

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Accident [someone falling, a transportation vehicle wreck, something falling on someone]			40	27.5 %
Natural disaster [hurricane, tornado, earthquake, flood, etc.]			38	26.2 %
Violence [shooting, bombing, arson, etc.]			12	8.2 %
Death of pastor or other key leader			38	26.2 %
Sexual misconduct			23	15.8 %
Financial misconduct			11	7.5 %
Severe budget shortfall			65	44.8 %
Community crisis [health scare, loss of major employer]			39	26.8 %
Lawsuit against congregation or congregational pastor/staff leader			4	2.7 %
Personnel separation [forced downsizing, abrupt resignation]			72	49.6 %
Other			14	9.6 %
<b>Totals</b>			<b>145</b>	<b>100%</b>

If you would, please briefly describe an interruptive crisis that had the most significant impact on your spiritually and vocationally? [You only have 1000 characters.]

129 Response(s)

Would you be willing to be contacted as part of a study on congregational interruptive crises? [If so, please provide the requested contact information requested below in the last question of this survey.]

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes			87	60.0 %
No			51	35.1 %
No Response(s)			7	4.8 %
<b>Totals</b>			<b>145</b>	<b>100%</b>

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Please enter the information indicated below if you would be willing to be contacted as part of this study.

<b>Answers</b>	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>
First Name	88
Last Name	88
Job Title	84
Company Name	83
Work Phone	83
Email Address	87
Address 1	87
Address 2	7
City	85
State/Province (US/Canada)	86
Postal Code	86