

McEachern The Path Forward October 2022 Survey

Survey Read-out
10/24/22

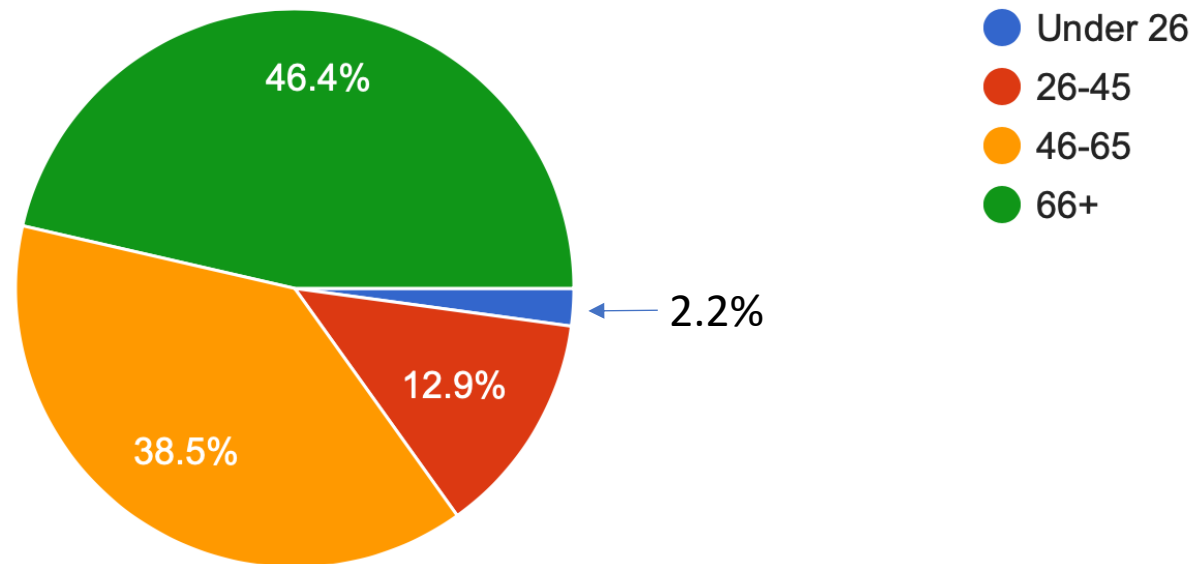
General Survey Data

- Survey was live from October 5 – October 17, 2022
- 278 members and non-members of McEachern Congregation participated through online and written surveys

Age Range

Please select your age range:

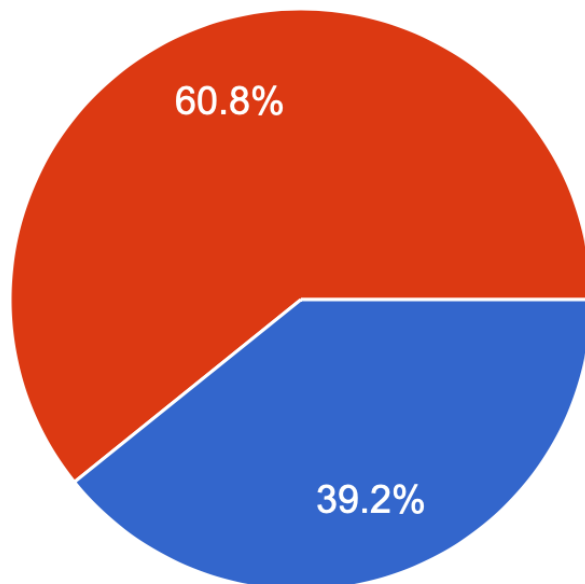
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Gender

Please select your gender:

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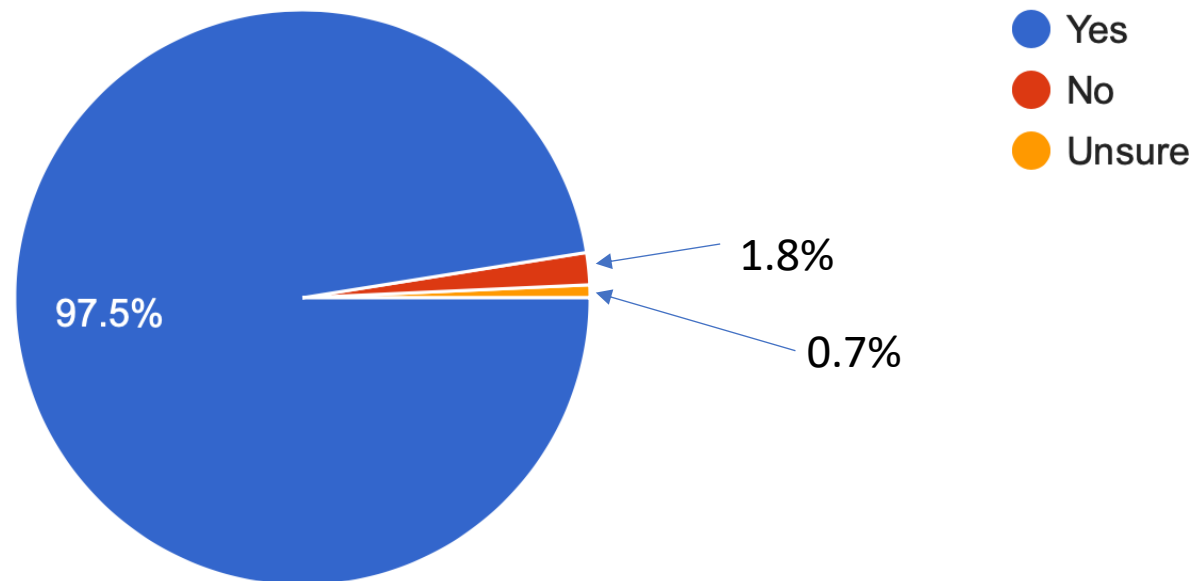


- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to answer

Member Info

Are you a professing member of McEachern UMC?

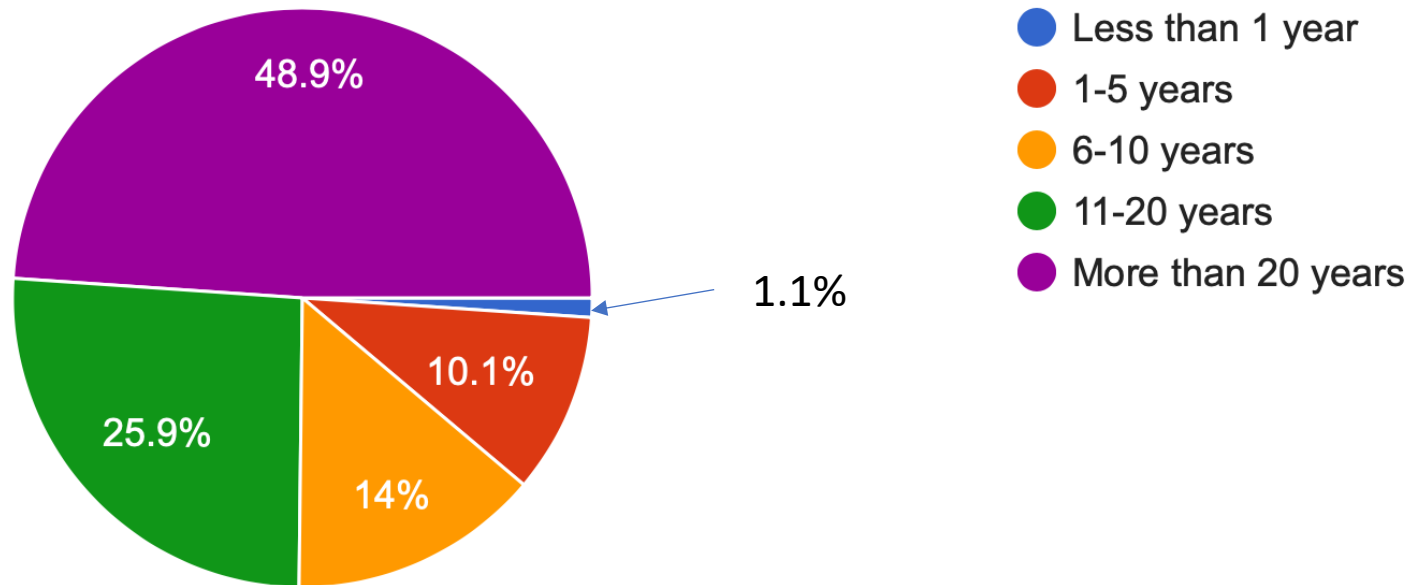
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Attendance

How long have you attended McEachern UMC?

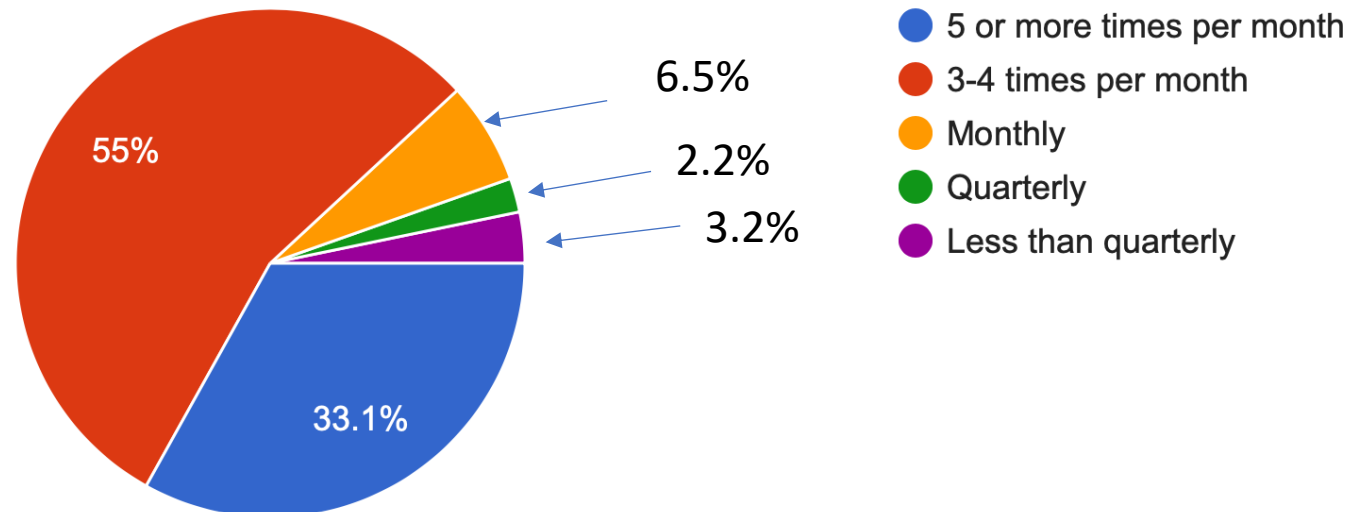
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Attendance per month

On average, how many times per month do you attend worship at McEachern UMC (either on campus or virtually)?

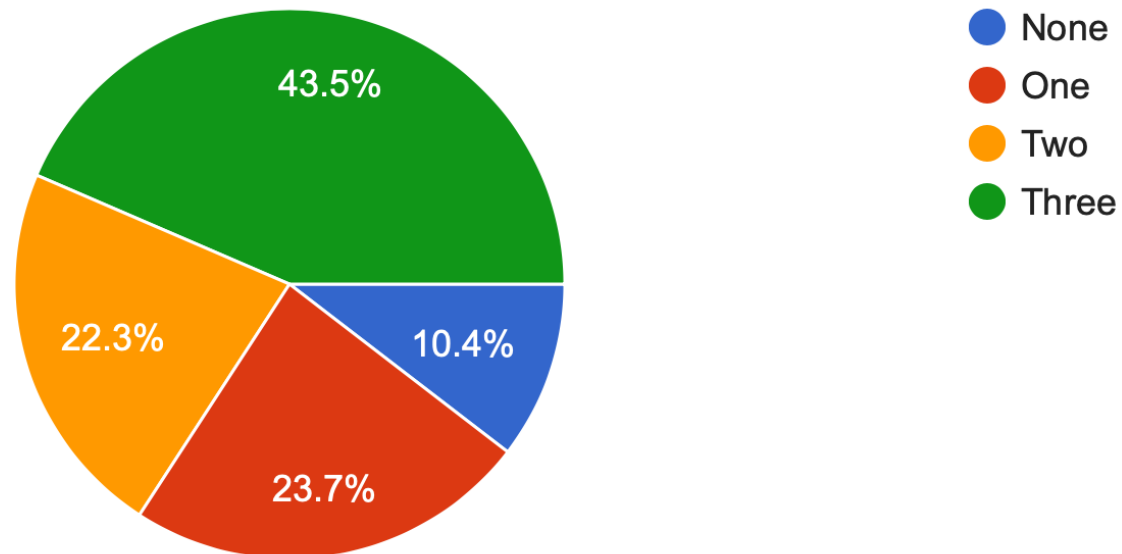
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Path Forward event attendance info

How many 'Path Forward' events have you attended in person or watch online?

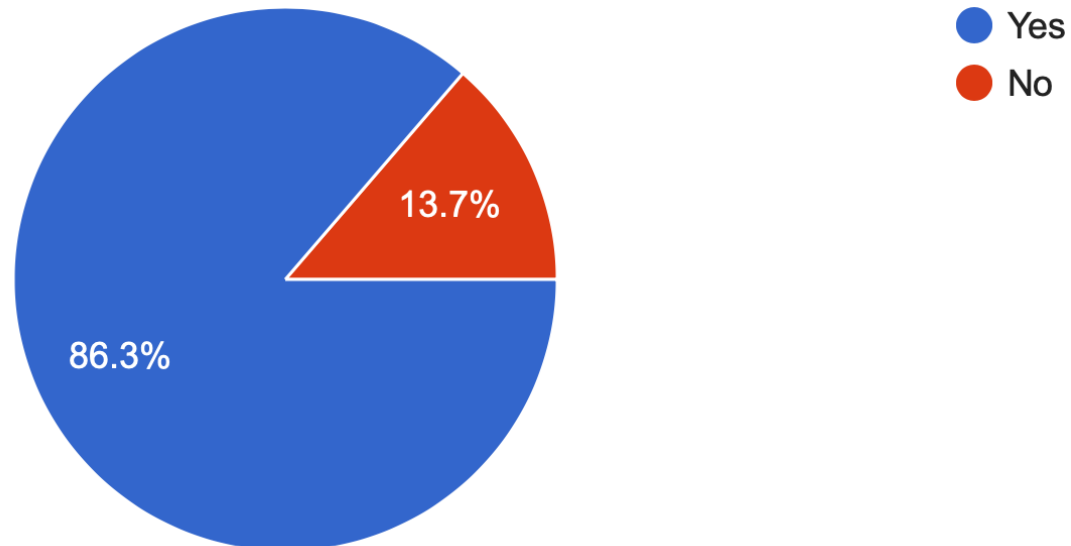
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Review of Path Forward information

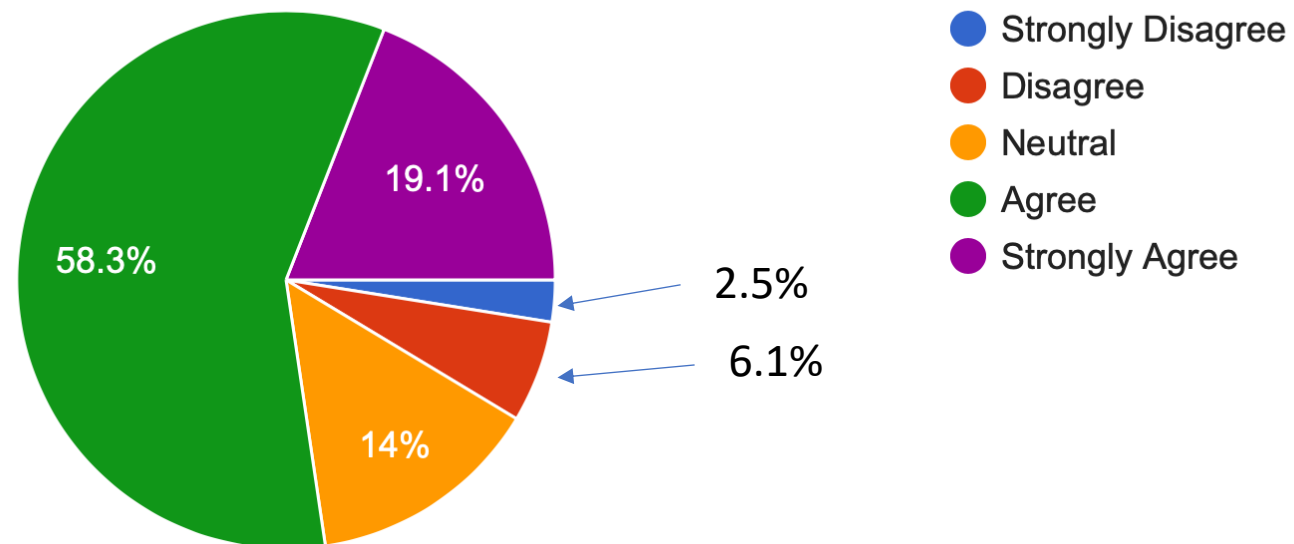
Did you review 'Path Forward' informational materials posted on our church website or provided at events?

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Helpfulness of Information

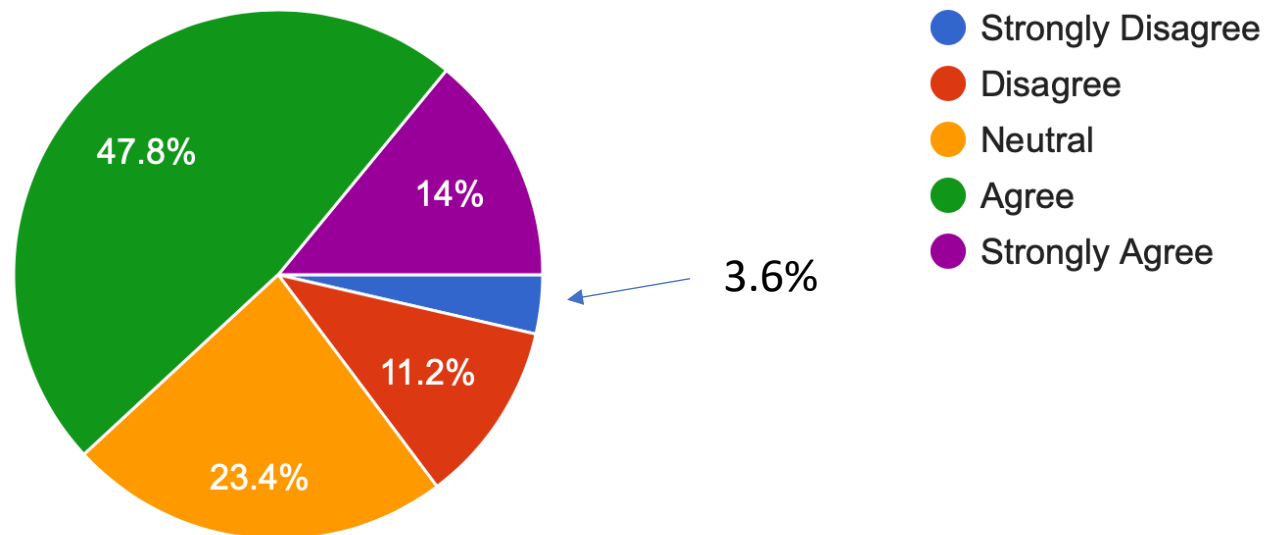
The process/materials/events presented by the McEachern UMC Path Forward Task Force were helpful in becoming informed on the issues surrounding disaffiliation.



Questions answered or not

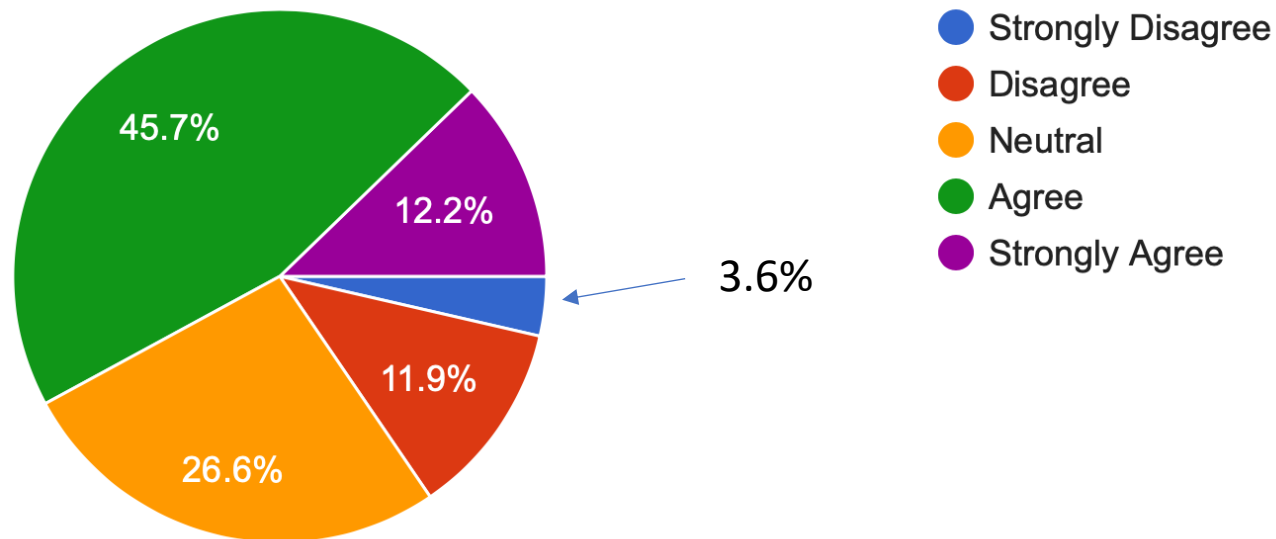
All of my questions regarding McEachern UMC's future within the United Methodist Church were answered through the Path Forward discernment process to date.

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Theological

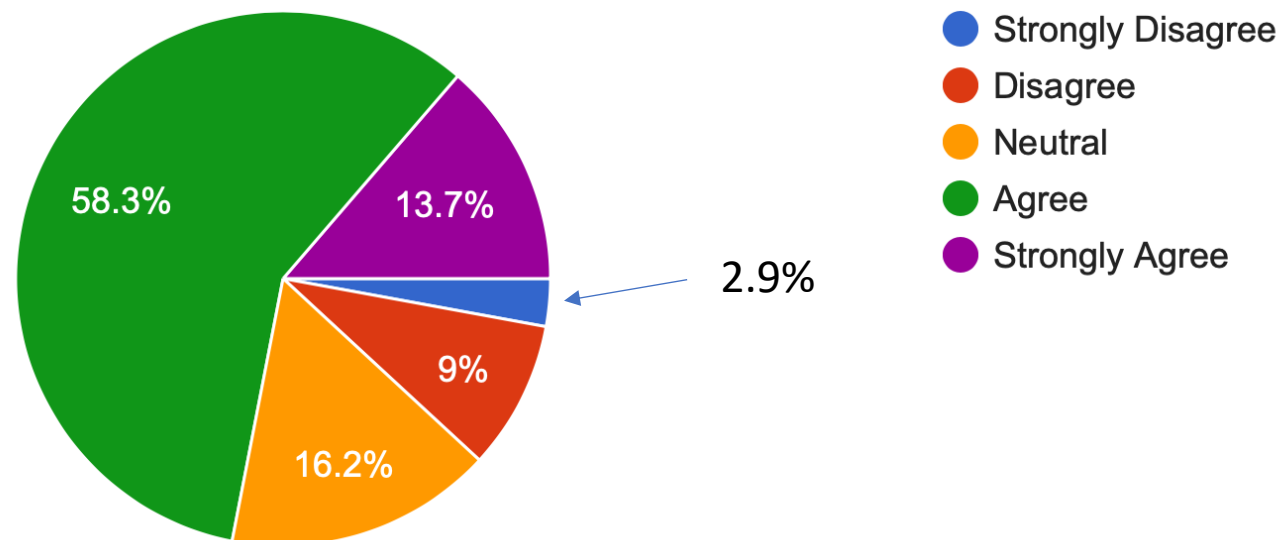
All of my questions regarding the current theological disagreements amongst those within the United Methodist Church were answered.



Process of Disaffiliation Information

Please choose the answer that most closely aligns with your opinion on the following statement: All of my questions regarding the process of disaffiliation were answered.

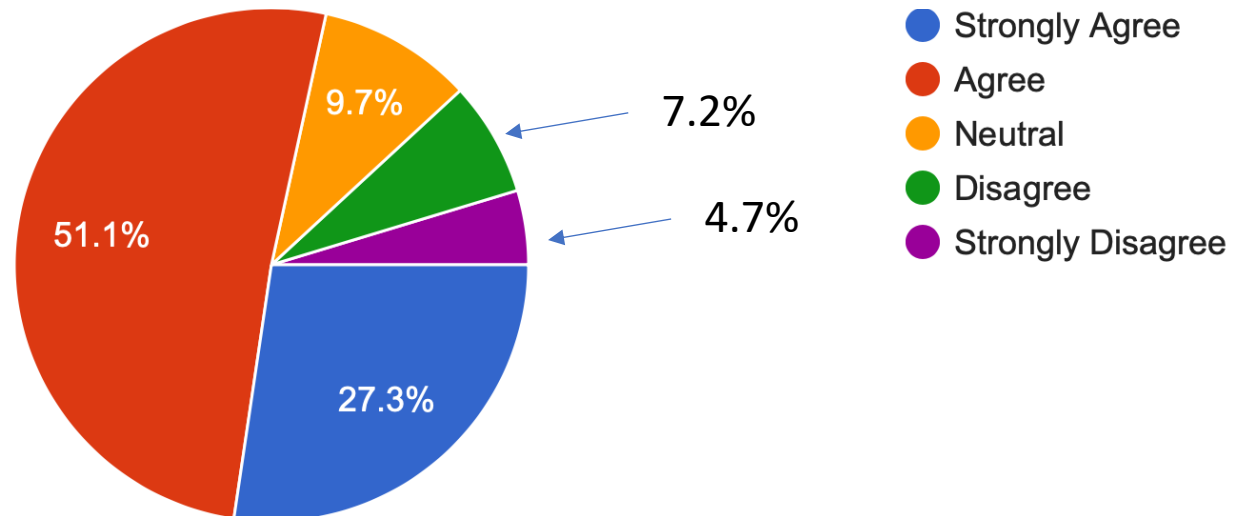
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Informed Decision

I have all of the information that I need to make an informed decision were a church charge conference called for the purpose of allowing professing members of the church to vote on whether or not the church will remain in the United Methodist denomination.

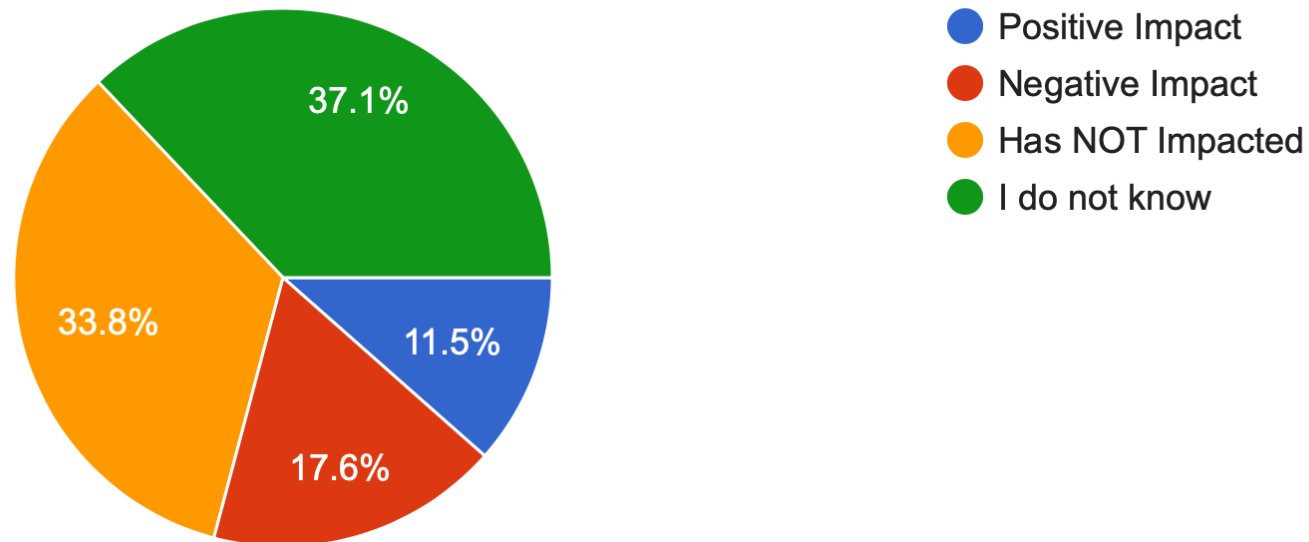
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Impact of Ministry and Missions

Do you feel that the Path Forward process has impacted the ministries and mission of McEachern in any way?

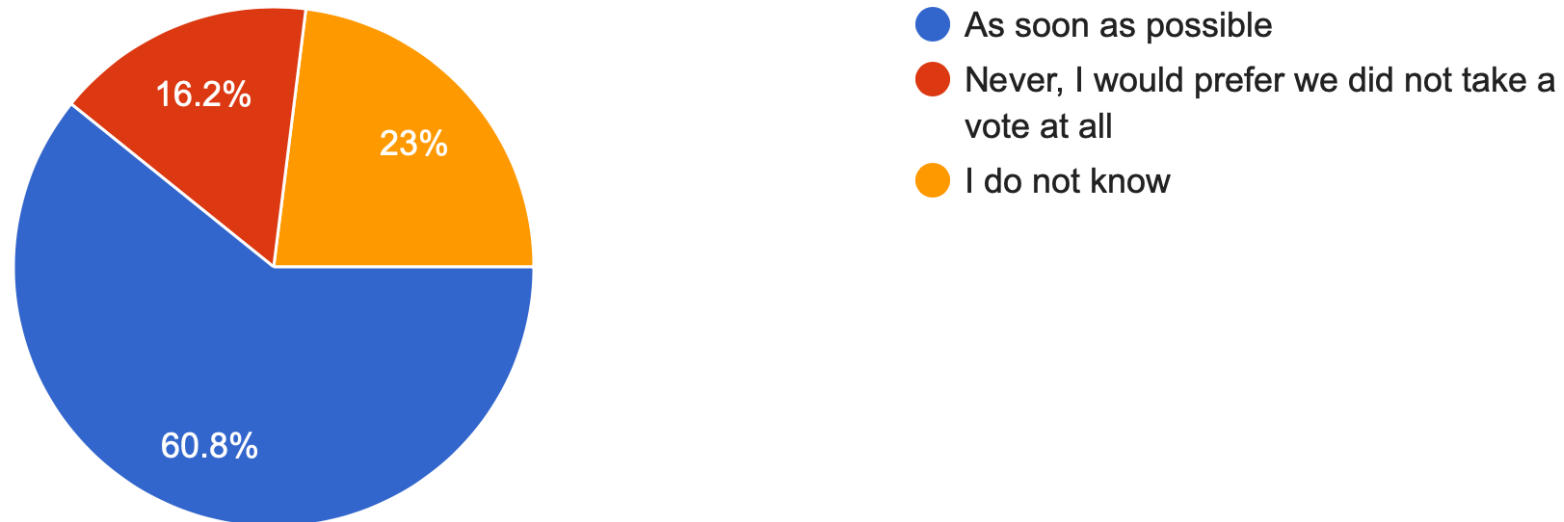
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Timing of Vote

When is the most appropriate time for McEachern UMC to hold a congregational vote for purposes of deciding on whether or not to remain in the United Methodist Church?

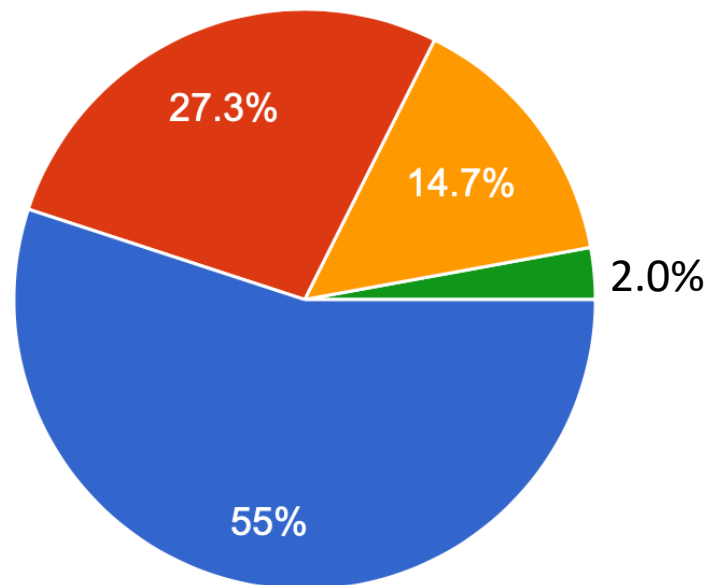
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Alignment

Which of the following statements do you agree with most?

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- "I align most closely with **traditional** perspectives, and if McEachern remains in the UMC, I intend to leave the church."
- "I align most closely with **traditional** perspectives, but if McEachern remains in the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."
- "I align most closely with **progressive** perspectives, and if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I intend to leave the church."
- "I align most closely with **progressive** perspectives, but if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."

Alignment by Age Group

66+	129	46%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, but if McEachern remains in the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	51	40%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, and if McEachern remains in the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	58	45%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, but if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	6	5%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, and if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	14	11%
26-45	36	13%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, but if McEachern remains in the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	2	6%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, and if McEachern remains in the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	22	61%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, but if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	1	3%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, and if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	11	31%
46-65	107	38%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, but if McEachern remains in the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	23	21%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, and if McEachern remains in the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	70	65%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, but if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I do not intend to leave the church."	1	1%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, and if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	13	12%
Under 26	6	2%
"I align most closely with traditional perspectives, and if McEachern remains in the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	3	50%
"I align most closely with progressive perspectives, and if McEachern disaffiliates from the UMC, I intend to leave the church."	3	50%
Grand Total	278	100%

The most important issue for my personal decision on disaffiliation is the following (pick up to two)

- Theological Issues currently creating disagreement within the UMC 174 (62.6%)
- UMC Governance/Adherence to the Book of Discipline 105 (37.8%)
- Impact disaffiliation will have on the ministries and mission of McEachern UMC 75 (27%)
- Continued and/or loss of fellowship and connection with other members of our church 66 (23.7%)
- Personal history and emotional connection to the United Methodist Church 37 (13.3%)
- Pastoral Appointments/Staff Decisions post disaffiliation 28 (10.1%)
- Financial impact disaffiliation would have on McEachern 22 (7.9%)
- Trust Clause and Property/Asset Ownership 18 (6.5%)