

# Messy Church

Attendance Survey Conducted by Church Army's Research Unit

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There are no right or wrong answers. Please tell us what is true to your story.

Your responses are confidential and will remain anonymous. Please try to answer every question.

1. Please circle your gender: Female / Male / Other
2. Please circle your age group: 11-15 / 16-17 / 18-24 / 25-29 / 30-34 / 35-44 / 45-54 / 55-64 / 65-74 / 75+
3. Please circle how often you come to Messy Church:  
Almost always / About half the time / A few times a year / This is my first or second time / I'm just visiting today as a one-off

4. Have you attended university?

- ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am currently a student ☐ I have done vocational training/apprenticeship

5. What is your ethnic background? (tick one)

- ☒ White  
☐ Black/African/Caribbean/Black British  
☐ Asian/Asian British  
☐ Other  
☐ I'd prefer not to say

6. When you started being part of Messy Church... (tick one)

- ☐ it was the first church community that I had been a part of  
☒ I was returning after a break (of more than 2 years) from church in general  
☐ I moved straight from another church to being a part of Messy Church  
☐ I am part of a church as well as Messy Church

7. I started being part of Messy Church... (tick one)

- ☐ because I moved to the area  
☐ because I was part of the team that came to start this church  
☐ because I changed church and decided this was better for me  
☐ because I started to attend Messy Church before I was 5 years old  
☐ because of a different reason (please specify) My children's school  
is Hook (local school)

8. As a child [0-10]... (tick one)

- ☐ I was not part of a church community or a Sunday school  
☒ I was part of/I started being part of a church community or a Sunday school  
☐ I was part of a church community or a Sunday school for a while but stopped going during this period

9. In my teens [11-17]... (tick one)

- ☐ I was not part of a church or church youth group  
☐ I was part of/I started being part of a church or church youth group  
☒ I was part of a church or church youth group for while but stopped going during this period

10. In my late teens/early 20s [18-24]... (if you are 18 or older) (tick one)

- ☒ I was not part of a church or a Christian Union  
☐ I was part of/I started being part of a church or a Christian Union  
☐ I was part of a church or a Christian Union for a while but stopped going during this period

11. As an adult [25+]... (if you are 25 or older) (tick one)

- ☐ I was not part of a church community until (please put the year) .....  
☐ I have been a church goer all my adult life  
☐ I did leave church, but came back in (year of your return) .....  
☒ it's quite complicated because attended for celebrations +  
with children in  
Messy Church  
Harvest

12. Would you identify yourself as a Christian? (tick one)

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I'm exploring Christianity ☒ It's complicated

13. If Yes to Q12, did you become a Christian at Messy Church?

- ☐ Yes ☒ No, I was already a Christian  
☐ Messy Church helped me rediscover a faith I had lost

Thank you for your time. We appreciate your help.

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