



***WHY IS CHURCH BORING?
AND WHAT IS CHURCH ALL ABOUT ANYWAY?***

Anyone recognise
this church?



Would we like church to
be anything like this ...



First Church
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OUR
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The church is a body - of people

1 Corinthians chapter 12

The body of Christ has many different parts, just as any other body does. Some of us are Jews, and others are Gentiles. Some of us are slaves, and others are free. But God's Spirit baptized each of us and made us part of the body of Christ. Now we each drink from that same Spirit.

Our bodies don't have just one part. They have many parts. Suppose a foot says, "I'm not a hand, and so I'm not part of the body." Wouldn't the foot still belong to the body? Or suppose an ear says, "I'm not an eye, and so I'm not part of the body." Wouldn't the ear still belong to the body?

If our bodies were only an eye, we couldn't hear a thing. And if they were only an ear, we couldn't smell a thing! But God has put all parts of our body together in the way that he decided is best.

The church is a body - of people

1 Corinthians chapter 12

A body isn't really a body, unless there is more than one part. It takes many parts to make a single body. That's why the eyes cannot say they don't need the hands. That's also why the head cannot say it doesn't need the feet.

In fact, we cannot get along without the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest. We take special care to dress up some parts of our bodies. We are modest about our personal parts, but we don't have to be modest about other parts.

God put our bodies together in such a way that even the parts that seem the least important are valuable. He did this to make all parts of the body work together smoothly, with each part caring about the others. If one part of our body hurts, we hurt all over. If one part of our body is honoured, the whole body will be happy.



BUT WHY IS CHURCH (SOMETIMES) BORING?
CHRIS STILL HASN'T ANSWERED THE QUESTION!

WHAT ABOUT THE SURVEY?

Your question

Is church boring?



[Add a longer description](#)

Options ?



Pretty much always



Yes - often



I'm not sure (sometimes)



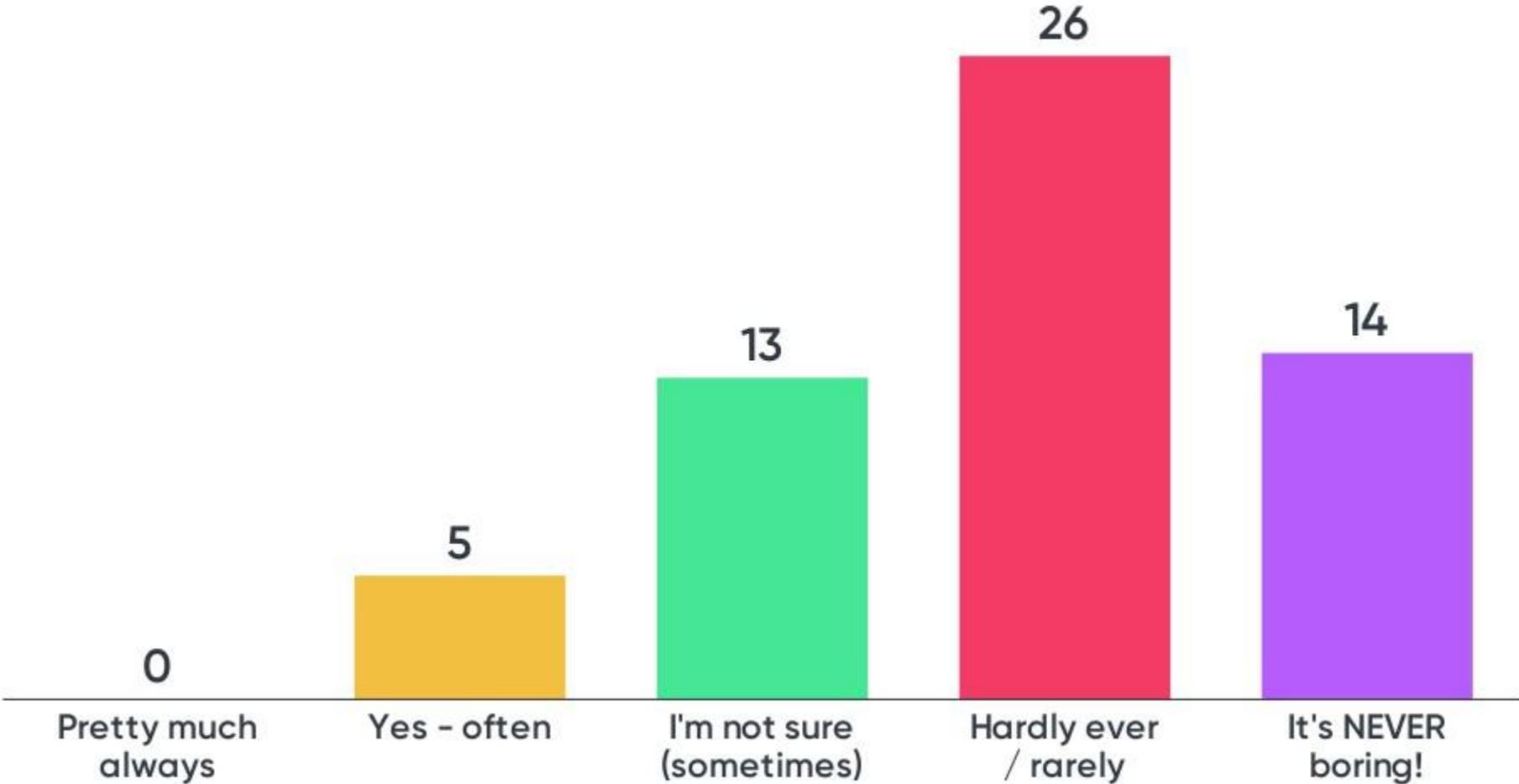
Hardly ever / rarely



It's NEVER boring!

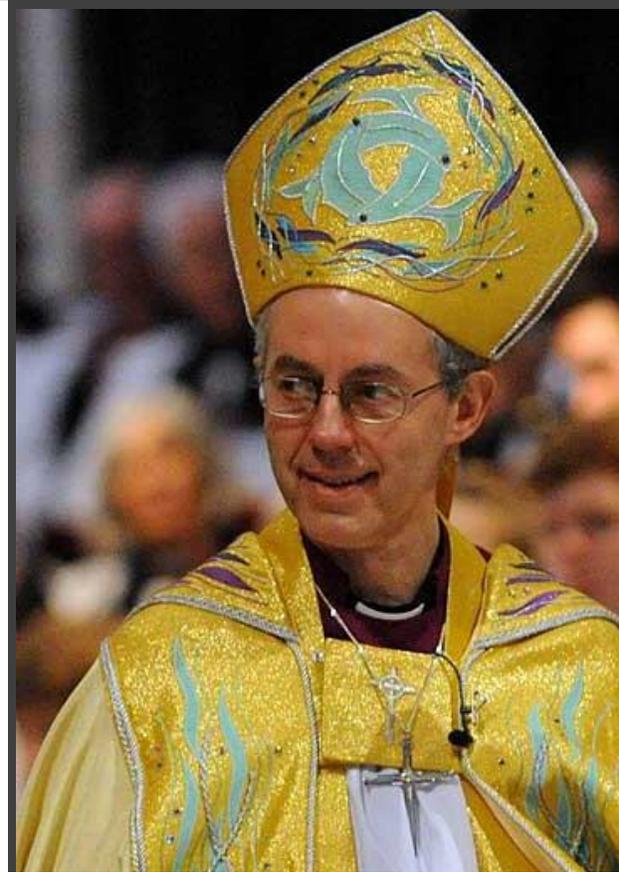


Is church boring?





Why is Church BORING?
(sometimes)



Who could we ask?



Why is Church BORING?
(sometimes)



**WE ARE
THE CHURCH.**



We have problems, we sometimes we get things wrong BUT
WE ARE THE CHURCH

DON'T GO TO CHURCH,



PRAYERS



We are the church - and the church is a body



We all have a part in this body

- God gives us different gifts ...
& we are in different seasons
- The less important roles ...
may be the most important
*... we cannot get along without the parts
of the body that seem the weakest
....even the parts that seem the least
important are valuable ...*
- Body parts – can ... change



This body is worldwide

- Different traditions, different backgrounds ... but we are all church
- Including sometimes people here who don't believe anything
- The world takes notice of a united church!



Our body should have no divisions

- We work hard to stay united – esp in a time of change
- No idle talk
- We learn to disagree well

And people will KNOW we are
God's church!



We are the church

– and church is a body

- We all have a part
- This body is global
- This body must have no divisions

JUST
DON'T GO TO CHURCH;
BE THE CHURCH.

