

Elderly, widows lead U.S. churchgoers

Catholics, blacks, persons over 65 and widows are the best churchgoers, according to a Princeton Religion Research Center poll.

White and black men attended with equal frequency, but white women attended less often than black women.

Whites in the South and outside the South had a similar attendance record in 1982, but blacks in the South attended more often than blacks outside the South.

Persons with a college background — and especially those who completed college — go to church more often than persons with less

formal education.

The rate of church attendance increases with age, with 31 percent of persons 18 to 24 years old attending in a typical week compared to half of persons 65 and older.

Midwesterners had the highest rate of attendance, westerners the lowest.

Catholics are better attenders than Protestants and both groups attend services more often than Jews.

One of the highest church attendance rates is recorded for persons who are widowed.

The analysis is based on personal

interviews with 10,813 adults, 18 years and older, conducted in seven selected weeks in scientifically selected localities across the nation. The question was asked: "Did you, yourself, happen to attend church or synagogue in the last seven days?"

Forty-one percent of those interviewed said they had attended church or synagogue that week. This is a decline from 49 percent in 1958. The decline in attendance by Catholics has been 23 percentage points, compared to 3 points by Protestants. By

age, the drop has been 17 points among persons under 30, 12 among persons 30 to 49, and one among persons 50 and over.

The highly committed groups include a high proportion of "downscale groups," those with less income, less education and less prestigious employment. Yet, the highly committed express general happiness and satisfaction in family life, relationship to others and manner of living to a degree far above the average.

An Evening of Harpsichord Music — Fellowship Unlimited of St. Stephen's Episcopal Parish, 1432 S.W. 13th Ave. presents Terry Nelson in an evening of Baroque harpsichord music. Mr. Nelson plays keyboard masterpieces of Johann Sebastian Bach and Francois Couperin on Friday, May 20, at 8:00 p.m. Donation, \$4, more info. 223-6424.

The Salvation Army's second annual Portland-area Rose Sale is going on now through May 27. Boxed, long-stemmed red roses will be sold by Salvation Army officers and volunteers for just \$12 per dozen. Proceeds will help benefit needy kids attending the organization's summer camps. The group hopes to earn \$5,000 through the sale — nearly doubling last year's intake. Roses sold will be available for pick-up by the buyers on Friday, June 3 at Salvation Army Headquarters, 1785 N.E. Sandy Blvd. in Portland. The flowers are being supplied through Hill Florist in Hillsboro. For info 234-0825.

Bethel AME Church Missionary Society will hold its annual "Victory for Christ Tea" on May 29, 1983, from 3 til 5:30 p.m. In addition to the food and fellowship, a special treat is planned. Miss Wanda Thompson, Portland's own soon to be recording gospel singer, will be featured in concert. Her first performance will begin at 3:30 p.m. and the second at 4:30 p.m. There is a \$5.00 donation for the tea and concert. Tickets can be purchased at Stevens and Son, G.I. Joe's, Meier and Frank and Bethel AME Church. For more information call Cal Williams, chairperson, 287-3483.

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