Appendix 2

Questionnaire Survey

1. Church: leadership/ Intervention

01. *Organizational caliber* of the Church leaders.

02. Approach of the Church towards *youth leaders* and her role in their growth.

03. The statement and approach of the Catholic leaders regarding the *self financing issue* is in conformity with the holy Bible.

04. Church authorities are zealous in finding, fostering and utilizing *Human resources*, recognizing the real caliber of the individual.

05. Church organize action plan to foster and *develop lay persons*.

06. Church must always recommend carrying out *the right to vote* according to one’s consciousness.

07. Church always attempt to explain her *Socio - political viewpoint* to the faithful.

08. The *circulars and Pastoral letters* distributed by the Church *during the recent parliamentary election* have influenced the faithful.

09. Church have cultivated *spokespersons/ or lay leaders* to interfere in the socio - cultural political field as and when necessary.

10. Church must interfere throughout the *fixation of the candidates* during the season of different elections to make certain the Catholic representation.

11. Church must oppose cohesively, the recommendations of the *law reforms commission*.

12. *Mercy killing* must not be legalized.
13. Candidates having aptitude to vocation must be trained soon after the S.S.L.C.

14. Abhaya case has declined the image and good will of the priests and nuns.

15. Authorities intervened appropriately during the controversies of Bishop John Thattumkals adoption issue

16. Dr. Jesme’s controversial autobiography, ‘Amen’, has affected the image of the Church in general.

17. ‘Liberation Struggle’s golden jubilee observances under the initiative of the Church were very relevant and timely.

18. Second ‘liberation Struggle’ is a need of the time.

19. Political parties and other religious sects have been tactically tarnishing the Church and her faithful as part of a hidden agenda.

2. Priests/ Sisters

1. There are anti - gospel proceedings and behaviors from the priests.

2. Those who preach the values of gospels to others succeed to practice those values in their own private life.

3. Worldliness and luxury has emerged greater than before among the priests and nuns.

4. Reading habits and ongoing formation has increased among the priests and nuns.

5. Sacristans, Sunday school leaders and accountants of the parish do lead a model life.

6. Sunday sermons are boring since they are not prepared.

7. There are timely biblical based extortions regarding values, morals and ethics.

8. Priests and nuns must spend more time on counseling and problem solving.
9. Priests have the competence of understanding current problems and to interpret them biblically.

10. Sisters are discarded in many things.

11. Presence of priests and nuns in the schools will give a face-lift in the teaching field.

12. I don’t believe that the directions from the Church centre are to be taken seriously.

13. Sisters and priests are capable of solving the day to day problems in the parish.

3. Church in the personal life

1. I always try to help the poor.

2. I feel distance towards the Church and authorities.

3. Different reasons of criticism against the Church:

4. Distinct reasons of relocation to Pentecostal movements from the Catholic Church.

5. Facilities to study Bible deeply do not exist in the Church.

6. Prayers, Sermons, and Holy Bible lend a hand for me to counteract bribery, malpractices and atrocities

7. I assist the marginalized people having no homes and property, in some way or other.

8. The Bible helps me to resolve the failures and sufferings in my personal life.

9. I couldn’t fully comprehend the principles of the beatitudes till now

10. I feel difficulty to apply the principles of beatitude in practical life
4. **Departments/ Organizations**

1. The different organization of the local Church helps the faithful to grow spiritually.

2. *Charitable institutions* of the Church are great success in imparting the gospel spirit.

3. The employees who serve the institutions of the diocese are dedicated and committed to those particular institutions.

4. Since the local *Church gives more attention to institutionalization* proper attention has not given to the pastoral and spiritual activities.

5. Generally, *i am satisfied with the communication strategies* of the diocesan departments.

6. The *formation in the Sunday schools* is out dated today.

7. *Pre - marriage courses* have been very helpful in my marital life.

8. *Nuns and laity* are not considered properly in our institutions.

9. *The department heads* are very efficient and competent.

10. *Basic Christian Communities* are very helpful in solving my social problems as well as personal problems.

5. **Communication style of the Church**

1. Catholic News papers, *weekly/magazines persuade my opinion* to a great extent.

2. Church must *launch TV channels, radio stations* to communicate the message towards peoples.

3. *Public Relation department's activities* of the Church are very efficient.

4. Most *popular services* of Church

5. Catholic *periodicals/magazines I read* regularly

6. The *spiritual Channels* and programs I observe regularly.
7. Today’s **Catholic literary figures** have no great influence in Kerala’s cultural scenario.

8. I try to read and understand **new apostolic letters and pastoral letters**.

9. The **appreciation of the Church depreciates** outside the Catholic circle since the faithful themselves speak perilously about the Church.

10. **Christians are at the back in the art and literature meadow** since they lack reading habit.

6. **Opinion about the Church in my viewpoint**

1. Attraction among **young generation towards the Church** seems to be diminishing.

2. Most of the people **participate in holy mass and other sacraments** out of compulsion.

3. Children are not very interested **to attend the Sunday school classes**.

4. Our institutions have succeed to **witness Christian values** such truth, love, and justice.

5. **Parish festivals** have been helpful in promoting communion and spirit than mere peripheral relationship.

6. **Youth are less interested** to different spiritual activities such as Holy mass, confession, evening prayer novena etc.

7. These are no provisions in the Church **to tackle the problems of family life**.

8. I feel that **donation is a great taxation**.

9. **Charismatic renewal movements** have revamped the Church and awakened the habit of reading Bible.

10. There is **no mistake in collecting money** meant for admission and appointment in the Educational institutions.

11. Some serious steps must be taken by the Church to **set free the faithful from the financial issues**.

12. Parish priests give **significance to the opinions of parishioners** while taking a decision about the Church.
13. Church is concerned much to treat the elderly and the diseased.

14. Violence and atrocities against the Catholics are not to be counter acted.

15. Church is being criticized by others in educational and other activities because they are jealous of her growth.

16. The official spokes persons of the Church responds appropriately.

17. The planned propaganda of media against the Church is a stumbling block to my faith.

18. The past liturgical controversies of the Church have not benefited her in any way.

19. The nuns and laity working in the institutions are not cared as needed.

20. It is very essential to react to the communist –atheist movements

21. Effectiveness of the panel discussions and debates by the official spokespersons of the Church.

22. Church is concerned about the spiritual needs of the Catholic NRIs’

7. Response to the Church communication techniques

1. Satisfying things about the Church

2. Dissatisfying things about the Church

3. The immediate changes to be implemented in the ministry of the Church based on the beatitudes

4. The main hindrances of Church’s’ ministries and activities at present.

8. The immediate communication techniques to be implemented in the local Church of Kanjirapally:

   A. Long term

   B. Short term