

## 7. APPENDICES

### 7.1 Informed Questionnaire

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**TOPIC: The challenges to Pastoral Caregivers in the even of sudden and accidental death.**

1. **Purpose:** The study is intended to educate and empower young and up-coming ministers to deal appropriately with the stresses that are yielded by sudden death in the families and members of the church. It will further be an instrument through which the participating persons shall use to externalise their pain through this subject and so become open to healing. They shall subsequent to all that be of help to the church and fellow congregants who are struck by this kind of death and possibly any kind of death.
2. **Procedures:** The participants will be interviewed through the questions as set in the questionnaire. They will also be given liberty to share more light and their experiences at any point where they feel like into the subject. They shall be given space and time to respond as far as they are comfortable and where they need assistance, they shall so indicate and they shall be assisted.
3. **Risks and Discomforts:** there is no obvious risk to the exercise, but at any point where the participant shall feel uncomfortable they shall indicate and appropriate response will be given.
4. **Benefits:** The benefit will be of the entire church and society in that they all shall be better equipped to deal with the subject of sudden death and the depressions that it yields to the society.
5. **Rights:** Participation is completely voluntary and all participants remain with their full right of withdrawing from their participation in the study at any time. This will have no negative consequences to them in anyway. They are all assured of absolute confidentiality of all the information they shall give. The research will not mention anybody throughout, only pseudo name shall be used.
6. **Access:** The participants shall clarify the way and means of his/her access to the researcher.

I .....the undersigned, am aware of the research being done as stipulated above.

I hereby acknowledge my volition to participate after my consent was duly sort.

I am accessible to the researcher in the following times and days of the week:

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SIGNED: ..... Date.....

Contact No. ....

Researcher: ..... Date.....

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**Research Questionnaire**

**Name:**.....

1. Is there anything like sudden death? What is the best way of giving or receiving the news about this death? What would you compare that situation with in general life?

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2. During this most hurting period, what do you remember that was done by the Church that was very meaningful to you? In what way do you think this can be improved?

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3. In what way did you either change or remain unchanged in your view of death? Why?

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4. Was the funeral what you wished it to be? Why?

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5. How can you be of help to anybody who is stricken by sudden death today?

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6. Do you view your lost loved one's funeral as more traditional or more religious or vice versa? Why?

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7. Did you freely do what you planned to do to close the deceased's chapter of life? What were the obstacles?

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8. In this hurting time, did you feel ill? Have you by anyway consulted the medical doctor? What was your complaint?

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9. How did the doctor go about treating you? Did it really help in your own view?

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10. What advice can you give to the Church in addressing this problem in the families during these current times?

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11. How would you define your life and condition during that time of bereavement?

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