

Church Leader Training

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE



FAMILY LEADERSHIP
INITIATIVE

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- 1 Understanding the importance of emergency preparedness.
- 2 Developing a church emergency response plan.
- 3 Testing and assessing a plan's effectiveness.
- 4 Preparing and responding to violence.



**For God hath not given us
the spirit of fear; but of power,
and of love, and of a sound mind.**

2 Timothy 1:7



Potential Hazards

NATURAL

Severe winter weather
(Temperature, snow, ice, blizzard)

Thunderstorm
(Hail, lightning, wind)

Tornado

Flooding

HUMAN

Arson

Bomb threat

Active shooter

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EMERGENCY CONTACTS

NAME	TITLE/ROLE	PHONE	MOBILE	EMAIL

GET READY!

KENT COUNTY

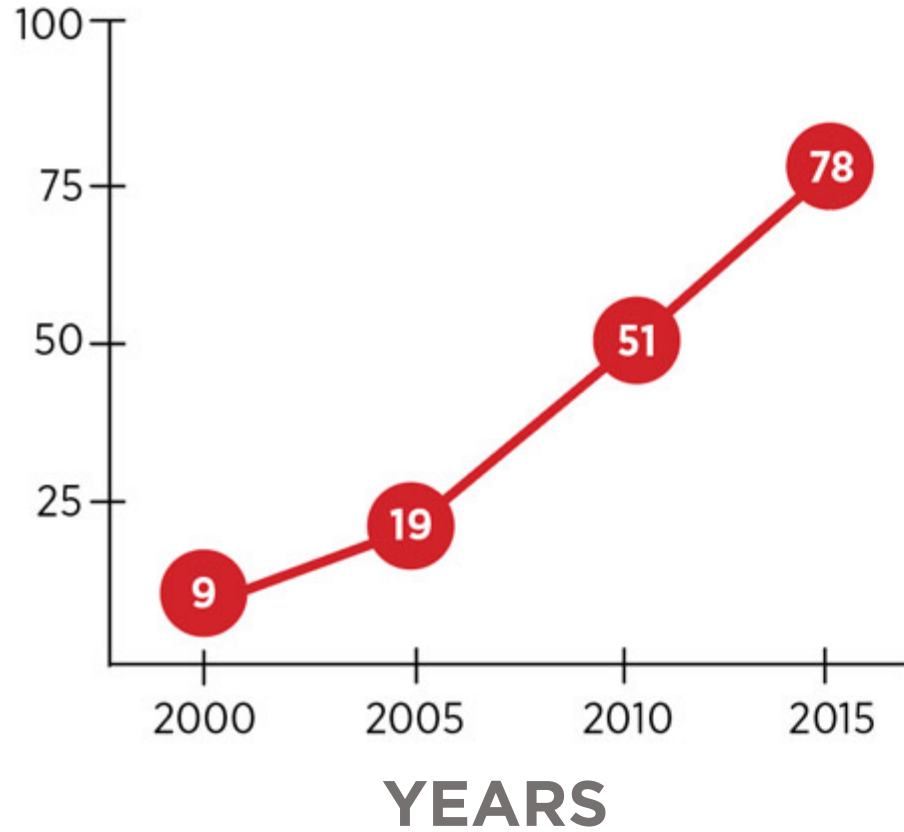
A 12-month Emergency Preparedness Program

Topics include:

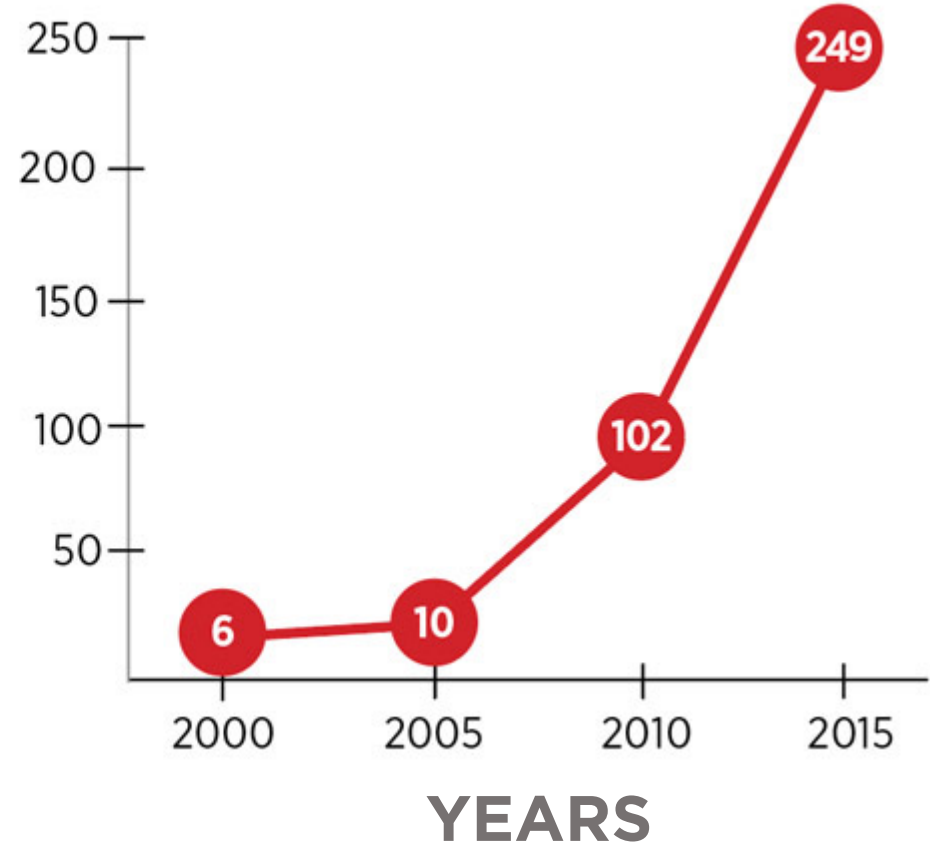
- Sheltering vs. evacuation
- Recovering after disaster
- Life without power
- Hazard awareness

Violence in Faith-Based Institutions

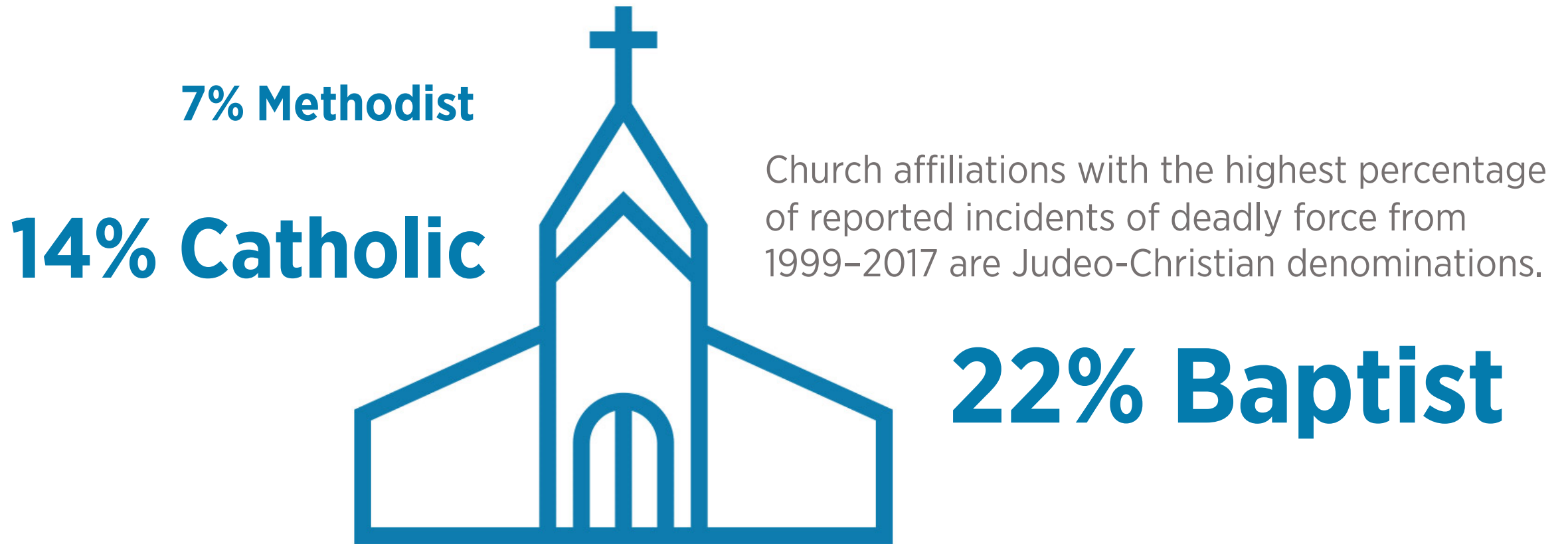
NON-ACCIDENTAL DEATHS



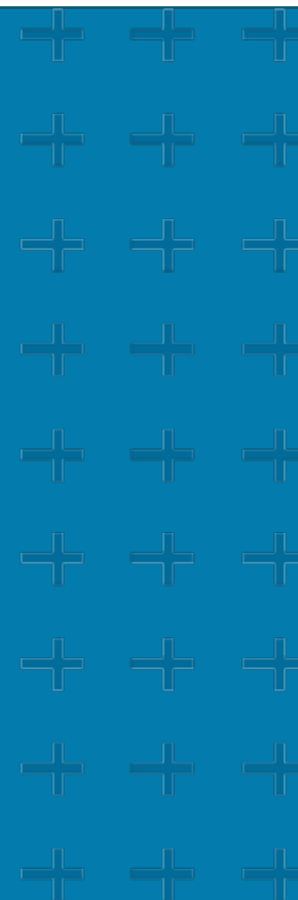
INCIDENTS



CHURCH AFFILIATIONS



**No profile exists
for an active shooter.**





EMOTIONAL INDICATORS

- Anger or rage.
- Crying.
- Unusual laughter.
- Nervousness or evasiveness.
- Fear or panic.
- Out-of-control or wild-eyed.
- An unusual absence of any emotion.

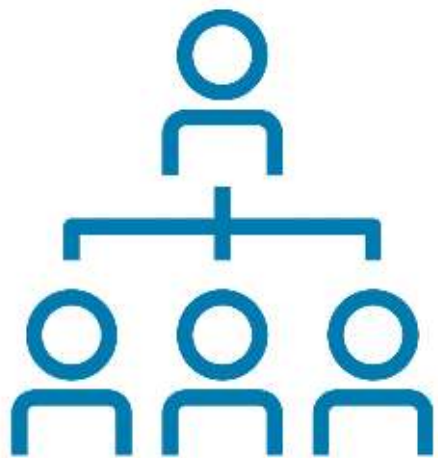


Use Reasonable Judgement

Occasionally, a person's emotions, behavior, or appearance will be a cause for concern. Usually, there is no harm in finding out more about the person. Your effort to establish a positive relationship may change the mind of someone who was going to create a problem.

THE BEST RESULT IS YOUR EXTRA OBSERVATION ASSURES YOU THERE IS NO REASON FOR CONCERN.

BUT REMEMBER TO TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS. YOUR REASONABLE JUDGMENT IS USUALLY ENOUGH TO HELP YOU DECIDE WHETHER TO CALL 911 OR TAKE OTHER NECESSARY ACTIONS.



TEAM LEADER

Team leaders should be able to handle difficult situations. A Team Leader will:

- Know the location of all restrooms.
- Know the location of all exits, emergency and otherwise.
- Know all evacuation routes and designated gathering locations.
- Know where all fire extinguishers and AEDs are located.
- Be able to give the church's street address to 911 operators from memory.
- Be able to initiate emergency communication procedures.
- Know designated shelter-in-place locations and have access to them. (Keys, etc.)

URGENT

Complete these tasks within the next 6 months.

CRITICAL

Complete these essential tasks immediately.

IMPORTANT

Complete these within the next year.

