

Webinar on

**GENEROSITY**

**Survey 2020**

# CONTEXT

## Survey 2020

**Context:** This survey was given to the representatives of more than 50 Christian organizations in Latin America who participated in two sessions of the virtual seminar "Generosity, A study of the Old Testament" conducted through the ZOOM video conference platform on March 24 and May 5, 2020.

The objective of carrying out this survey is to know the current situation on the subject of Generosity Observing the result generated within organizations by this topic's instruction in the attendees, we hope that these results produce new tools that will help to continue to articulate a vision that will guide the practices of Generosity from a biblical perspective in the context of the mission of God.

The survey was conducted in two stages, in the first 98 people participated and the second had 40.



**55**

**ORGANIZATIONS  
REPRESENTED**

**20**

**DIFFERENT  
COUNTRIES**

- Germany
- Argentina
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Ecuador
- USA
- El Salvador
- Spain
- Guatemala
- Ecuatorial Guinea
- Italy
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Dominican Republic
- Venezuela



GERMANY - ARGENTINA - BOLIVIA - BRAZIL - COLOMBIA - COSTA RICA -  
ECUADOR - USA - EL SALVADOR - SPAIN - GUATEMALA - ECUATORIAL GUINEA -  
ITALY - MEXICO - NICARAGUA - PANAMA - PARAGUAY - PERU - DOMINICAN  
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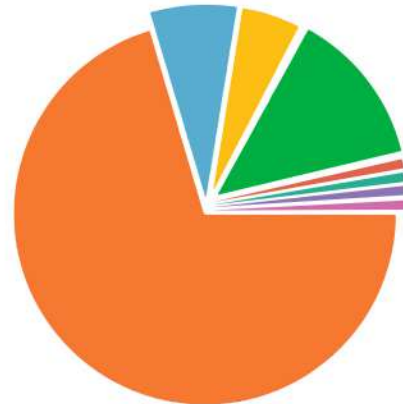
# GENERAL PANORAMA

## GRAPHICS



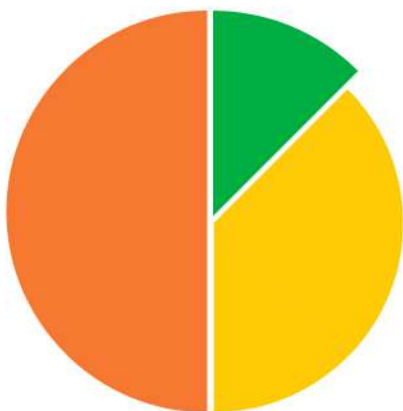
**PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION  
GENEROSITY WORKSHOP**

- This year 15.3%
- Over 4 months ago 13.3%
- Over 12 months ago 36.7%
- Never 34.7%



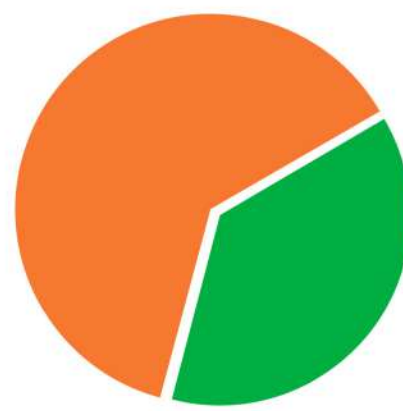
**WHAT ASPECTS STAND OUT  
MOST FROM THIS WEBINAR?**

- Biblical reflection 70.4%
- Free training 13.3%
- Available resources 13.3%
- Intercultural exchange 13.3%
- Everything. learning in different ways 13.3%
- I didn't remember the schedule 13.3%
- I didn't attend (the 1<sup>st</sup>. session) 13.3%
- Not applicable 13.3%



**IS IT COMMON TO SPEAK OF  
GENEROSITY IN YOUR CHURCH**

- Yes 50%
- No 21.4%
- Almost never 32.7%



**ARE THERE GENEROSITY  
RESOURCES IN YOUR LANGUAGE**

- Yes 32.7%
- No 67.3%



# CONCLUSIONS

## Survey 2020

After the first part of the seminar, the attendees expressed different comments about what they learned, where they would like to concentrate more, and how a study like this contributes to their lives and organizations. In summary, we present the conclusions.



Some results of the generosity study are:



Participants were challenged **to see the subject in a different way.**



Participants understood that generosity includes not only finances and stewardship, **but also possessions, friendship, spiritual gifts and time resources.**



Participants were encouraged to create their **own materials and studies on the subject.**



Some needs  
recognized are:



A space (way)  
**to share  
experiences**



Find and learn  
about examples  
of Generosity  
practices **within  
the local context  
of each person**



Gain theological  
**depth on the  
subject**



Promote safe  
spaces **to share  
doubts and  
insecurities**



Gain depth on  
the relation  
between  
**Missions and  
Generosity**



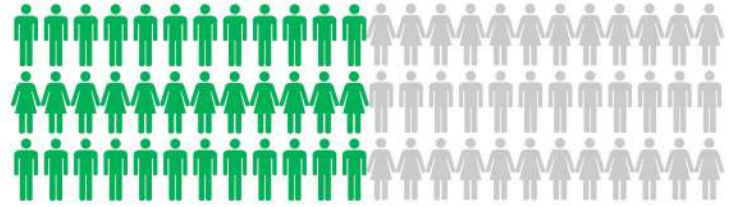
More training on  
the principles of  
**administration  
within the  
local church**

# PRACTICING GENEROSITY

## IN ORGANIZATIONS

50% of those surveyed didn't have a manual of financial policies but they would like to have help in this.

50%



### SOME WAYS THAT THE ORGANIZATIONS PRACTICE STEWARDSHIP AND TRANSPARENCY

- External administration
- A team of accountants
- Work in their profession/job and donate time to other ministries
- Monthly reports
- Periodic meetings
- (But) there were members who didn't know if a designated method existed in their organization

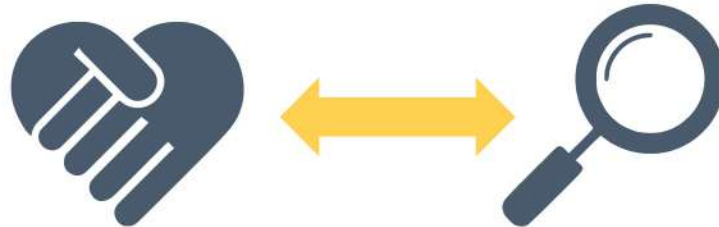


### HOW TO PRACTICE GENEROSITY AMONG MINISTRIES/THE NEEDY WITHIN THE WYCLIFFE GLOBAL ALLIANCE COMMUNITY

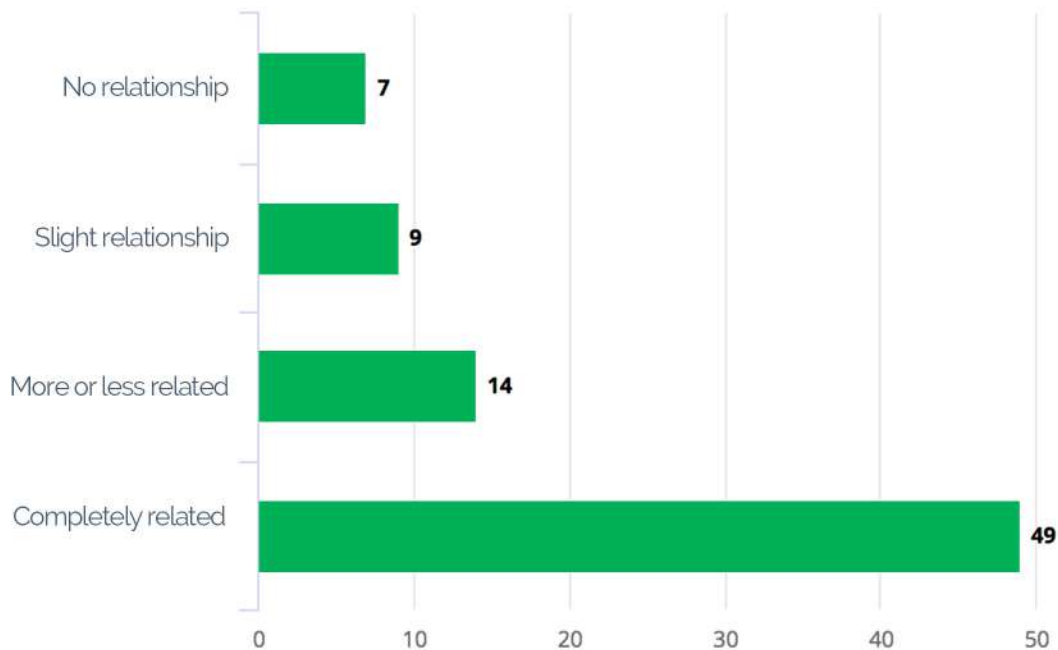
- Teaching Biblical principles of Generosity to other organizations
- Have information about projects, needs and opportunities within the organizations
- Sharing experiences
- Sharing resources, tools and training
- Walking together
- In prayer



# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GENEROSITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY



**According to the criteria,  
What is the relationship between  
generosity and accountability?**





# COMMUNICATION

## WITH DONORS



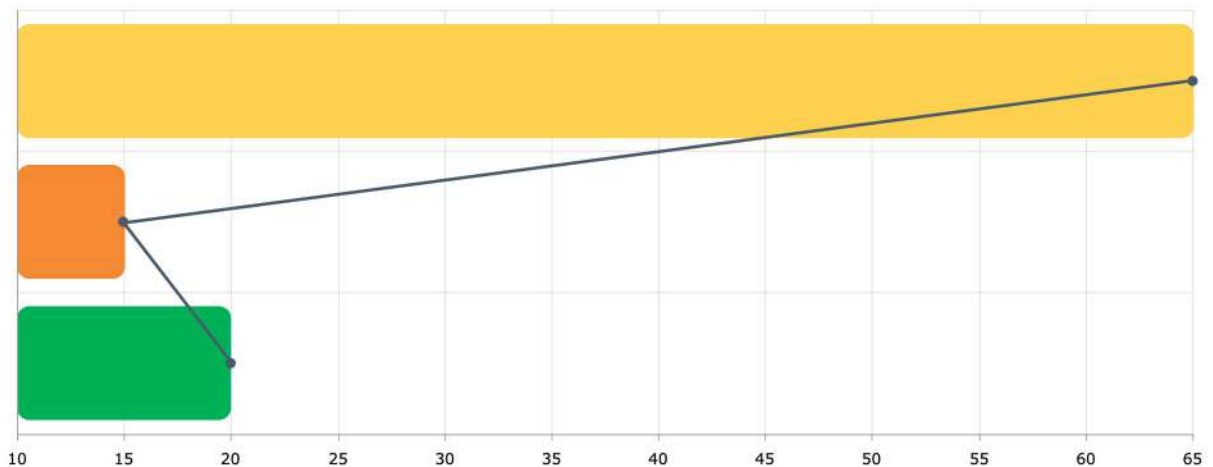
Produce an annual report for donors



Don't produce an annual report **but would like to get some help on that**



Don't produce an annual report **and aren't interested receiving help**

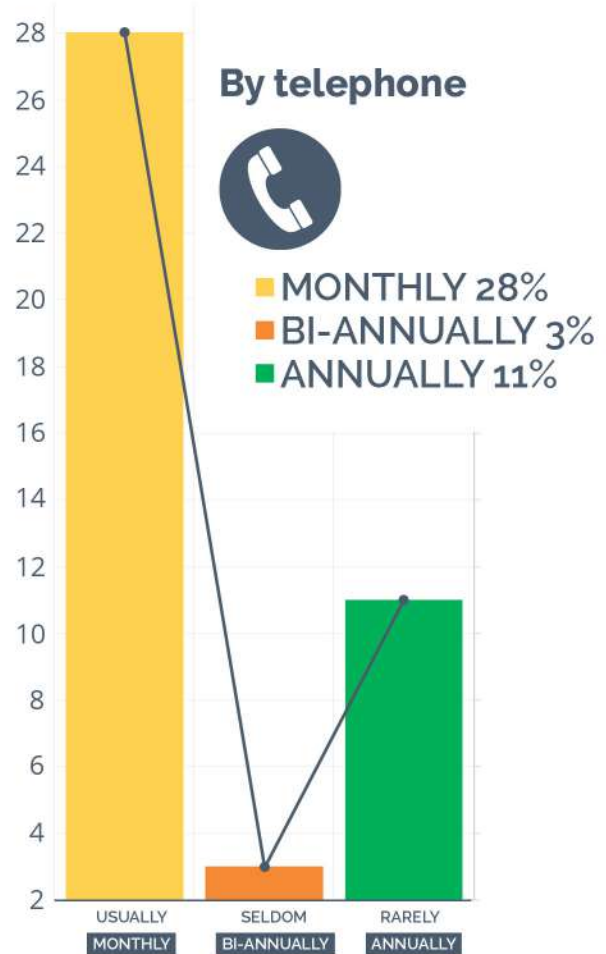
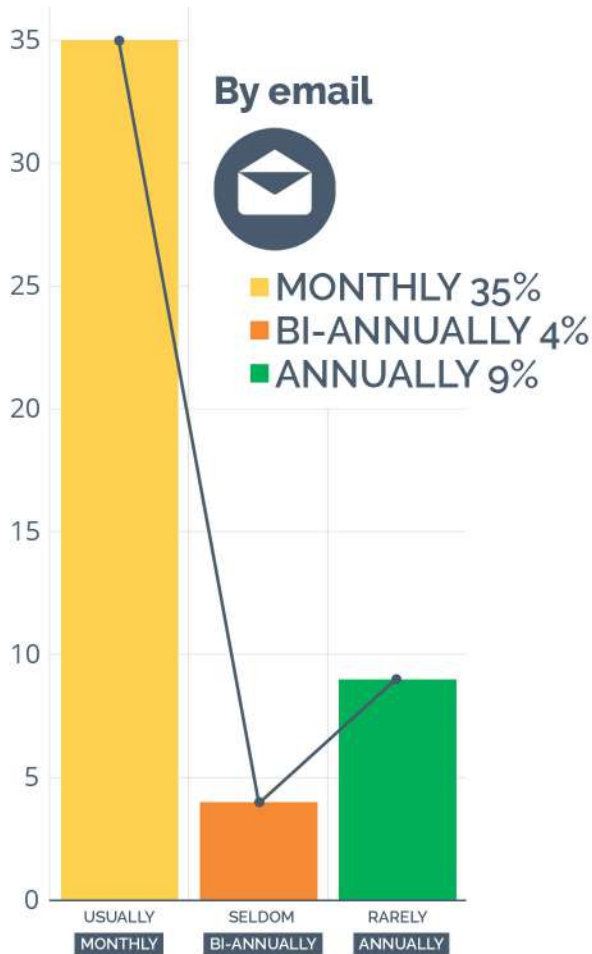


# COMMUNICATION

## WITH DONORS



The organizations communicate their appreciation to donors monthly, weekly and annually



## WHAT HAVE YOU APPRECIATED ABOUT

### THE STUDY ON GENEROSITY?

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#### ASPECTS THAT THE PARTICIPANTS MOST APPRECIATED IN THIS GENEROSITY STUDY:

- Biblical basis
- Biblical reflection
- Timely examples in Biblical history
- The subject of transparency and accountability
- Biblical foundation
- Holiness in the administration of the offerings
- Talents and other ways of contribution
- Biblical administration

## WHAT THEMES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THAT

### WE COULD GIVE IN A FUTURE WEBINAR?



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ELABORATION  
OF FINANCIAL  
POLICIES AND  
GUIDES



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STEWARDSHIP



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TRANSPARENCY  
IN COMMUNICATION  
WITH DONORS



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HOW TO WRITE  
STORIES OF  
GENEROSITY?



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BIBLICAL STUDIES  
WITH SIMILAR  
GENEROSITY THEMES





## **WHAT CONSEQUENCES AND LESSONS HAVE BEEN LEARNED BY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19?**

- **There is a greater awareness of God's care.**
- **Appreciation has increased for the faithful who continue to support the organizations with their donations.**
- **Communication with Christian donors has been strengthened.**
- **Greater opportunity to express generosity and some have done that.**
- **Some have had a greater opportunity to express generosity despite the circumstances, others have experienced the opposite.**
- **Ways need to be found to keep communication with donors alive.**
- **There is an opportunity for creativity.**
- **Experimentation in new technologies is encouraged.**
- **The importance of saving... to have an emergency fund.**
- **Creative ways to raise funds are explored.**
- **Increased trust in the Lord.**