

Table 4: The Larger Church

Question	Percentage
Question 38: Have you ever heard of Mennonite World Conference?	
a. Yes	70.9
b. No	29.1
Question 39: As you think about the church in general, how strong is your personal commitment to each of the following bodies? (Check only one box for each category.)	Percent checked box "Very Strong"
a. My local congregation	83.0
b. Brethren in Christ Church in the U.S.	41.7
c. Mennonite World Conference	7.2
d. The broader global Christian church	40.1
Question 41: Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is a worldwide ministry of Anabaptist churches in North America. (Check all that apply.)	
a. I am aware of the work of MCC	84.6
b. MCC is a part of our congregation's ministry	61.6
c. MCC is present in our area but does not work with our congregation	12.4
d. MCC is not present where our churches are	5.3
Question 53: How important is it to you that your local congregation is part of the larger Brethren in Christ Church?	
a. Not important at all	3.1
b. Not very important	12.3
c. Fairly important	40.5
d. Very important	44.2
Question 54: Which statement below best represents the way you would like the Brethren in Christ denomination to relate to your local congregation?	
a. The denomination should have important oversight of local congregations including ownership of churches, credentialing, and placement of pastors	20.1

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b. The denomination should have oversight of local congregations including credentialing of pastors but not ownership of churches	31.5
c. The denomination should have an increasingly smaller role and more responsibility should be taken by local congregations and regional conferences, including credentialing of pastors and ownership of churches	13.9
d. The denomination should provide support to local congregations through sharing resources and cooperative ministries, but should give autonomy to churches in property ownership and selection of pastors	34.5