



Embracing a New Critical Juncture

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Median Age of Religious Institutes

550 Institutes as of 12/31/2012

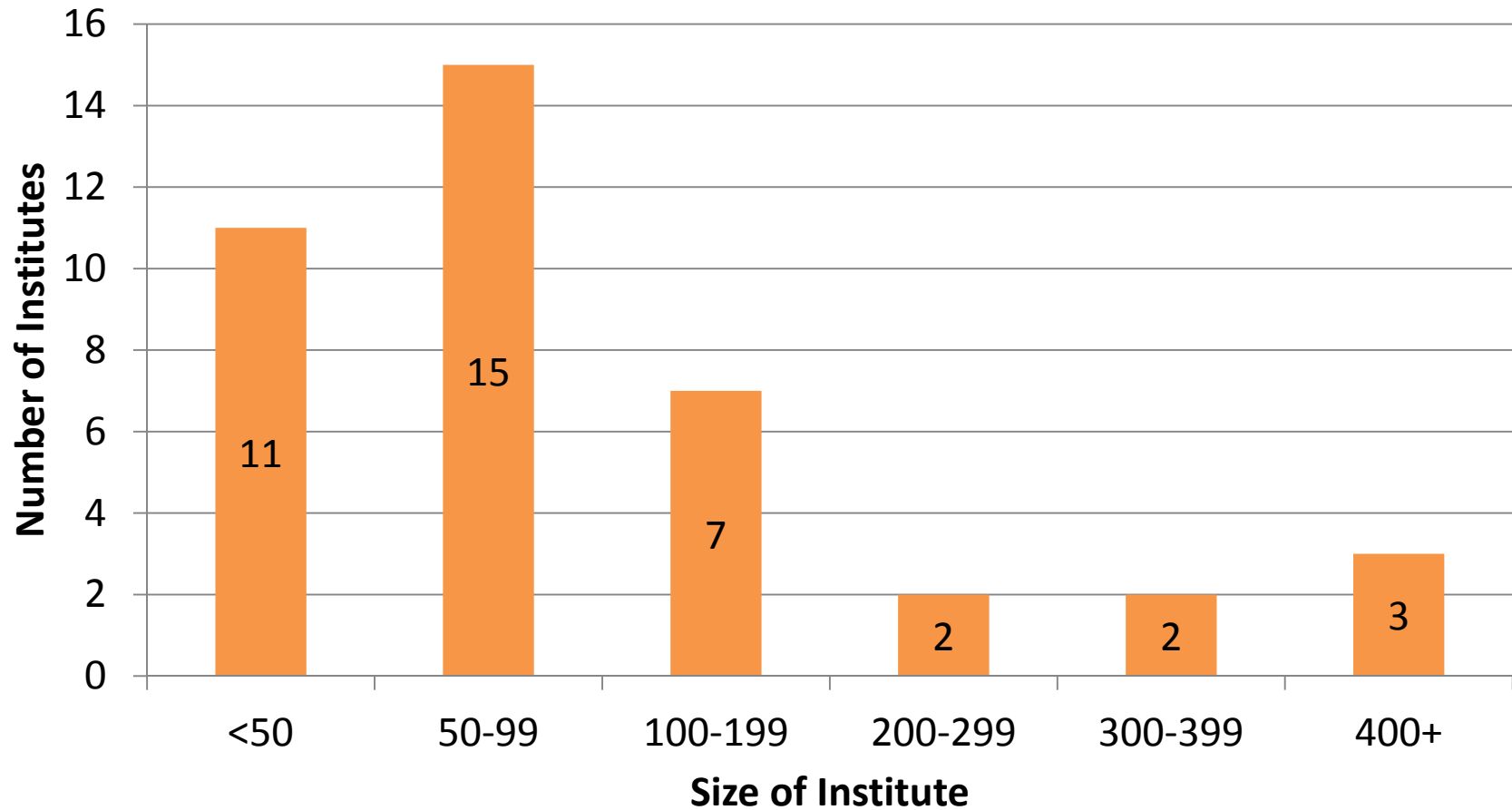
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70-79	307	56%	254	61%	218	73%
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SIZE OF LCWR INSTITUTES

WITH MEDIAN AGE OF 80+

(40 Institutes as of 12/31/2012)





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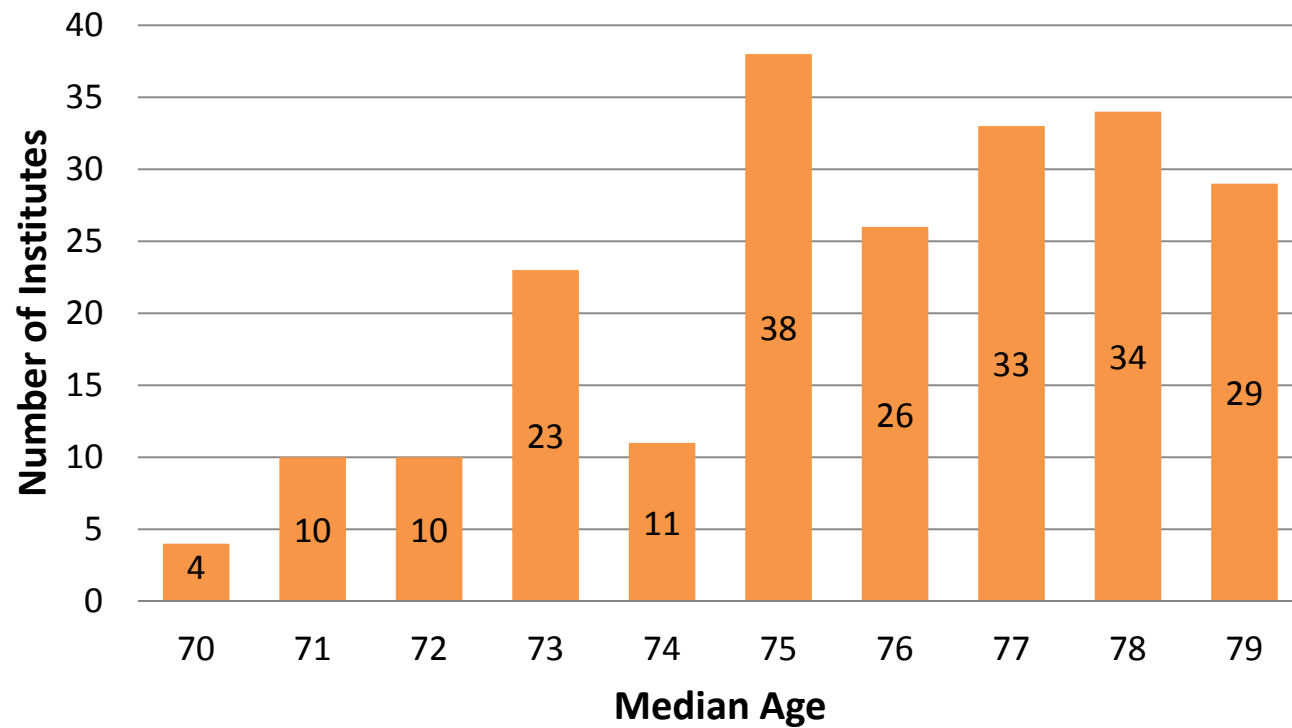
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LCWR INSTITUTES WITH MEDIAN AGE OF 70-79

218 Institutes with Median Age in the 70's





Institutes with 80+ Median Age

Year	Total # of Institutes Reporting	# of Institutes with Median Age of 80+	% of Total Reporting Institutes
1985	455	0	0.00%
1997	705	8	1.13%
2007	677	26	3.84%
2013	550	48	8.73%

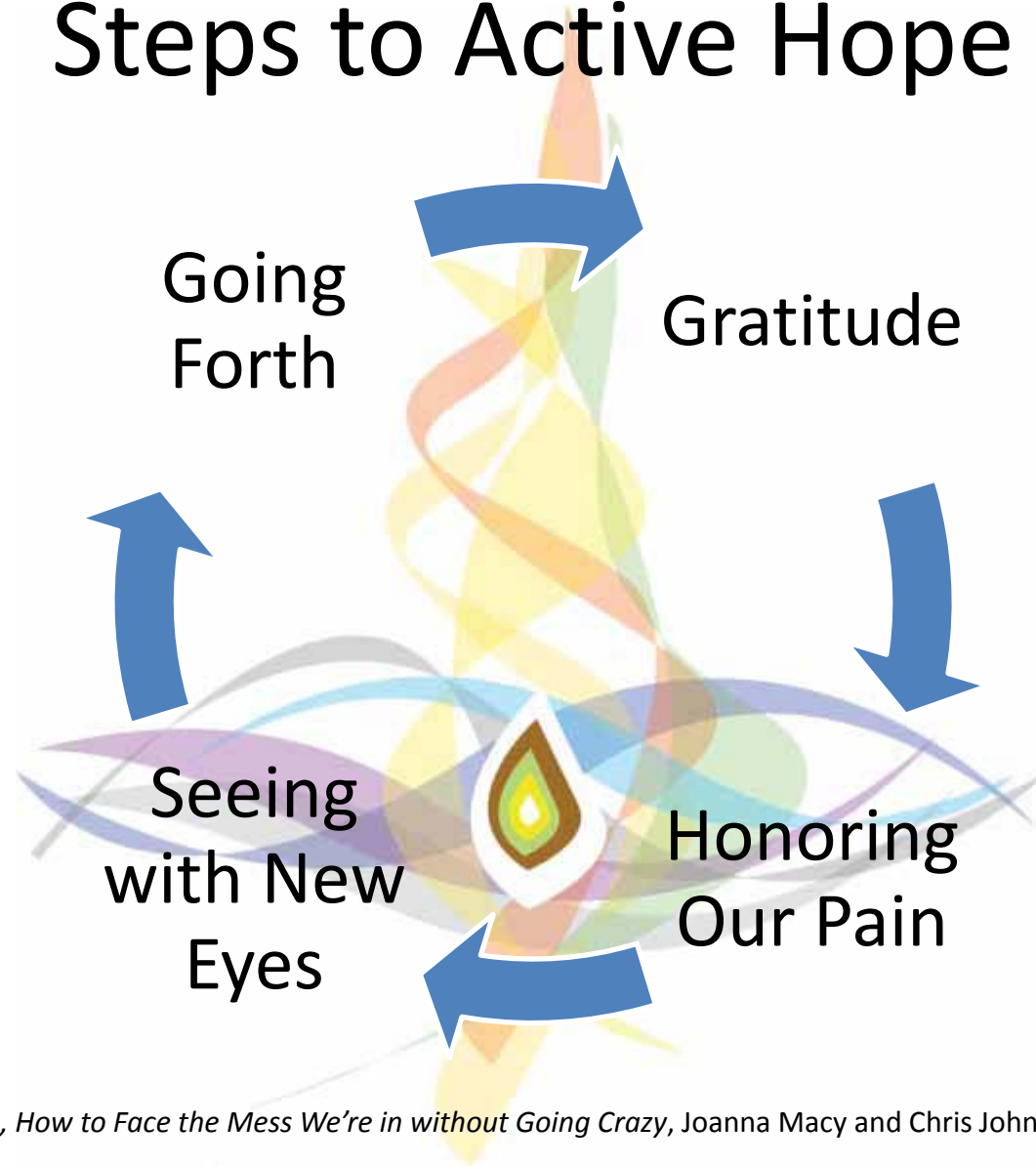
ACTIVE HOPE



- Take a clear view of reality
- Identify what we hope for in terms of direction
- Take steps to move ourselves in that direction

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Steps to Active Hope



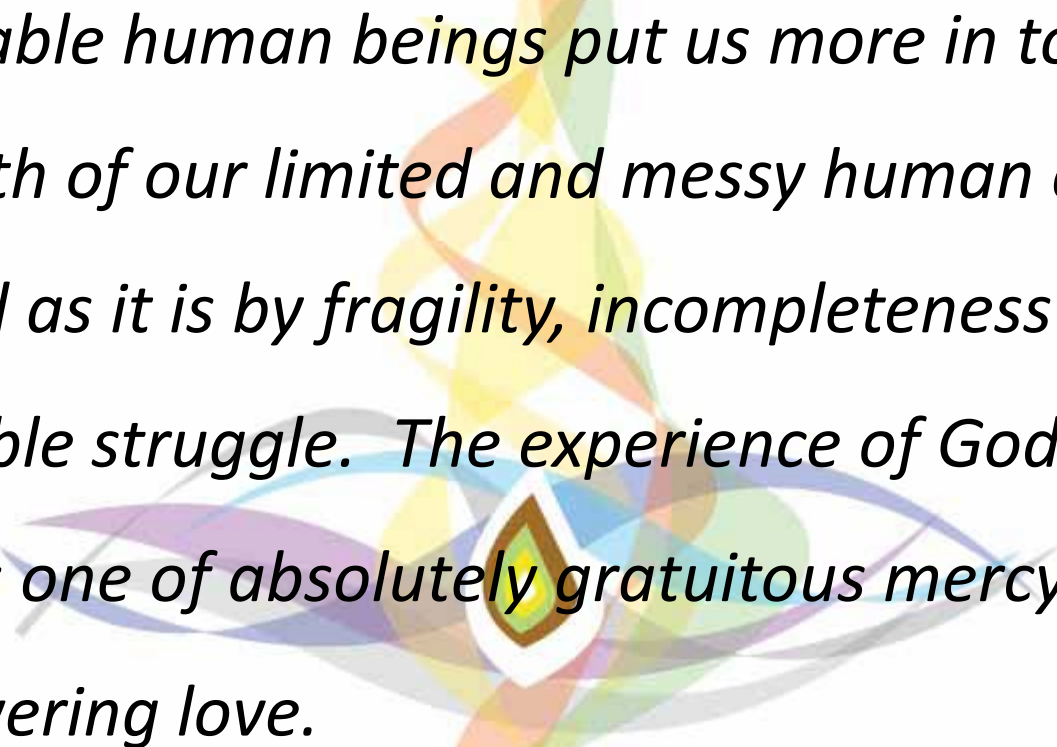
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Steps to Active Hope

- Gratitude
- Knowing our pain
- Seeing with new eyes
- Going forth

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Vulnerable human beings put us more in touch with the truth of our limited and messy human condition, marked as it is by fragility, incompleteness and inevitable struggle. The experience of God from that place is one of absolutely gratuitous mercy and empowering love.