

Similarities and Differences Between Christian Protestant Churches and Catholic Churches on

Saipan

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Author's note:

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In the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands there are various religious church groups. Majority of the religious church groups are under christianity. The student writer has experienced bring taught in four different church schools on Saipan and has experiences that the protestant teaching and catholic teaching are similar, but different with their life styles, worships and beliefs. Because religion seems to play a big role in the lives of the people on Saipan as part of their culture, ethics, and life style. The research essay will be informative about the different religion and their similarities.

### Literature Review

The student writer has used google to look for information on churches and their differences and has found 15,900,000 hits on the topic. From the google search the student writer has found two articles about the differences between catholic and protestant churches. One of the articles that was found stated the differences of the behavior of people from the churches, and the other article states the differences in beliefs of the churches.

After finding those articles the student researcher has narrowed her research and found two studies in regards to comparing catholic and protestant religion. One of the studies gave information about the relationship between religion and faith comparing six different christian denominations. As for the other study, it gave information of data that was collected from Springfield Ohio, comparing religious attitudes and behavior between catholics and protestants.

The student has also found information from the Northern Marianas College library, in regards to her topic. The data that was found will be used because the information from the book collected data about different religions that stated their response to a topic towards another religion.

Methodology

For this essay the information that will be used would be collected by using the following methods, interviewing pastors and priests of the catholic and protestant churches, and using extensive literature. The research student has gone to a couple of different churches and has gotten to experience how is it like to be apart of the religion. With that experience, the student researcher, has a connection to the priests and pastors of the churches. Since the priests and pastors are the ones who shares the “Word of God” such authority should be able to answer the interview questions in regards to their religion.

Primary/ secondary question

- Is there a difference between the churches on Saipan?
  - Are the christian churches on Saipan really different? If so, what are the differences between the churches in regards to their beliefs, lifestyle and worship?

Tentative Research Schedule Table

<b>Primary research</b>	
Approve Interview Questions for Research:	Jul 9, 2014
Call churches for pastors and priests to set interview schedule	Jul 16, 2014
Interview priest and pastors	July 16-18
Interview SDA pastor	Jul 21, 2014
Analyze data	Jul 22, 2014

<b>Secondary research (Literature collection and drafts):</b>	
Library book search and studies search	Jul 9, 2014
Introduction and background	Jul 12, 2014
methodology	Jul 16, 2014
Draft (meet with instructor)	Jul 17, 2014
Add literature review	Jul 19, 2014
Redraft( meet with instructor)	Jul 20, 2014
Conclusion and Reference	Jul 23, 2014
draft (meet with instructor)	Jul 28, 2014

In conclusion, the student write is proposing that the project is doable with the information that has been collected from the sources that were found, also the data collected from the interviews of the pastors and priests of the churches. The research essay will be successfully completed by July 30, 2014.

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