

**SUMMARY OF FORCED TERMINATION STATISTICS  
1996-2001**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Full-Time Pastors</b>	<b>Bivocational Pastors</b>	<b>Full-Time Staff</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>Number of States</b>
<b>1996</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>441</b>		<b>1259</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>1997</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>1192</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>1998</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>1174</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>1071</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>2000</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>18</b>

The five leading causes in descending order are:

1. Control issues-Who will control the church?
2. Poor people skills on the part of the pastor.
3. Pastor's leadership style is too strong.
4. Church is resistant to change.
5. Prior unresolved church conflict-Church was already conflicted when the pastor arrived.