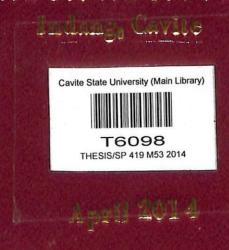
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ABSTRACT

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The study was conducted from November 2013 to March 2014 in the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC), to: determine the participants' level of awareness with Filipino Sign Language; find out the perception of the participants in the level of effectiveness of Filipino Sign Language in terms of a.) comprehension b.) usefulness and, to; identify the barriers in communicating encountered by the Feast PICC deaf attendees.

Survey questionnaire was used to gather information. The ministry had a total population of 16 regular deaf attendees. Everyone was included as participants in the study. Results revealed that majority of the participants strongly agree on all indicators of awareness to Filipino Sign Language. This implies that the participants are highly aware of FSL.

Results for the perception of the participants on the level of effectiveness of Filipino Sign Language in terms of comprehension are mostly strongly agree. This shows that participants are not only aware with Filipino Sign Language but they agreed that they also understand the message using FSL.

Results for the perception of the participants on the level of effectiveness of Filipino Sign Language in terms of usefulness are also strongly agree. This shows that the

participants are not just aware and do not just easily understand the message but they also perceive FSL as a useful tool for communication.

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INTRODUCTION

In the society today, communication plays an important role in different situations. Whether we are talking with a friend, crossing the street, reading a newspaper, smiling with a stranger or even doing sign languages for deaf persons, communication is already taking place.

Like normal people, deaf persons can also communicate. It does not follow that because they are persons with disabilities (PWD's), they are mentally disabled. In fact, according to studies, deaf individuals communicate visually and physically rather than audibly.

At the Feast, a weekly Catholic prayer meeting held at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC), deaf persons are also attending. Because of this, the management sensed a need to put up a ministry which will accommodate the deaf