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ABSTRACT

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The study was conducted to find out the social factor and emotional maturity of married teenager in selected barangays in Dasmariñas City, Cavite. Specifically, this study aimed to 1) describe the demographic profile in terms of a) age, b) gender, c) occupation and d) educational attainment; 2) determine the factors affecting early marriage in terms of a) mass media, b) family, c) church and d) peers; 3) determine the emotional maturity of married teenagers and 4) determine the relationship of social factor and emotional maturity of married teenager.

A descriptive-correlational design was used in this study wherein the variables were studied in a sample of 150 married teenagers in selected barangays in Dasmariñas City, Cavite from January 2012 to February 2012 using self-made and modified questionnaires. The questionnaire was divided into two (2) parts. The first part includes the profile of the respondents such as age, gender, occupation and educational attainment with 35 items to determine the social factors affecting early marriage. The second is to determine the emotional maturity of the respondents consisting 35 items.

The results revealed that the social factors really affect the teenager to marry at the very young age. It is also revealed that the emotional maturity of the teenager falls in average level

and it was found out that social factor and emotional maturity of married teenager were not significantly related.

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INTRODUCTION

Marriage for both the husband and wife is more of a partnership that they enjoined to do together. This partnership is of interweaving interest, and sacrifices will have to be made for the sake of both parties from which mutual understanding, concern, security and contentment in marriage can be established. There are no shortcuts to happiness in marriage. No two human beings can possibly live together in an intimate emotional relationship for a long period of time without having some misunderstanding or friction from time to time. Understanding and tolerance are required to overcome the feelings of jealousy, anger and suspicion. To think that