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Compassion Fatigue Assessment Tool

Instructions:

- 1) For each question, check the box in the column that most applies.
- 2) Add up your column scores according to the point values indicated.
- 3) Add the column subtotals to get your total score.
- 4) Check your result using the score interpretation table.

#	QUESTION	Not at all	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very Often
		(1 Point)	(2 Points)	(3 Points)	(4 Points)	(5 Points)
1	Do you feel run down and drained of physical and					
	emotional energy or have difficulty concentrating?					
2	Do you find that you are prone to negative thinking about the leadership of your job or church?					
3	Do you feel that you have given too much and have become harder/less sympathetic with people than perhaps they deserve?					
4	Do you find yourself getting easily irritated by small problems or by your committee members/ team?					
5	Do you mask feelings by overworking, overspending, overeating, gambling (i.e., the lottery, Bingo), sexting, watching excessive TV, Blackberry, Angry Bird, websurfing, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc. Or, other substances: marijuana, alcohol, drugs (prescriptions too).					
6	Do you suffer from bottled up emotions or feel isolated because you have no one you can be really honest with?					
7	Do you have a growing feeling that your efforts are pointless because improvement is impossible?					
8	Are you unable to complete tasks or meet deadlines?					
9	Do you feel apathy, sadness or no longer find formerly treasured activities pleasurable?					
10	Do you feel that you are in the wrong church or the wrong profession yet have a strong reluctance to make changes?					
11	Are you becoming frustrated with your teammates or committee members?					
12	Do you feel that organizational or church politics or bureaucracy frustrate your ability to do a good job?					
13	Do you feel that there is more work to do than you practically have the ability to do and you lack the support you need?					
14	Do you suffer from lack of self-care? Do you fail to get proper health care, eat right, exercise, laugh, or get sufficient sleep?					
15	Do you suffer from physical ailments such as ulcers, gastrointestinal problems and recurrent colds?					
	COLUMN SUBTOTALS					

Add column subtotals to find your total score. TOTAL SCORE:

SCORE INTERPRETATION TABLE

SCORE	COMMENT
15-18	Little sign of compassion fatigue
19-32	Little sign of compassion fatigue, unless some factors are particularly severe
33-49	Be careful you may be at risk of compassion fatigue, particularly if several scores are high
50-59	You may be at severe risk of compassion fatigue do something about this urgently
60-75	You may be at very severe risk of compassion fatigue do something about this urgently