

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

This study wants to explore the stories De Chavez siblings.

Specifically, this study will answer the following questions:

1. What are the experiences of de Chavez siblings?
2. How does having a big family affects personal, social, emotional and financial aspects of life?
3. What are the challenges encountered by the family?
4. What are the lessons learned from experiences and challenges?

CHAPTER 1

BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

INTRODUCTION

One of the problems of our country is overpopulation. Overpopulation is an undesirable condition where the number of existing human population exceeds the carrying capacity of earth. Overpopulation is caused by number of factors: reduce mortality, better medical facilities, depletion of precious resources are few of the causes which results in overpopulation. It is possible for a sparsely populated area to become densely populated if it is not able to sustain life (Rinkesh,2009).

The Philippines is a country in Southeast Asia with fastest growing populations. From having fifty million inhabitants in 1980 the Philippines today is home to around ninty million people with 11 million living in Manila only (Mads Nissen,ND) it rapidly increased this 2016 to an estimated 101,498,763 people. This increase is 1.58% (1,579,720 people) when compared to population of the year before of 99,919,043 at 2015. During 2016 Philippines population is projected to increase by 1,604,695 people and reach 103,103,458 in the beginning of 2017. In the Philippines, there are families that have more than 3 siblings. (Anonymous,2016)

One example of a family with numerous siblings is the De Chavez. The De Chavez sibling is composed of 10 children, 3 girls and 7 boys. Three of them are presently studying at Gen. E. Aguinaldo National High School (GEANHS)-Bailen.

This study wants to narrate the stories of De Chavez siblings focusing on their challenges and coping up with these.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STUDY

The result of this study will benefit the following sectors:

To the Teachers. They will be able to recognize the personal experiences of students who have many siblings and might give them an advice if problem arises or if necessary.

To the Guidance Counselor. He/She will be able add this kind of information to student's anecdotal records for future reference or if problem arises.

To the School Administrator. If profiled completely, the school head can identify students with many siblings who need assistance such as financial or socio-emotional help.

To the Learners. The students will understand the life of students from a big family.

To the Parents. They can understand the situation of such family and might reflect on their own.