

# Forgiveness Education in Belfast, Northern Ireland: Teacher Evaluations

2011 - 2012  
Executive Summary

At the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the International Forgiveness Institute sent year-end evaluation forms to five teachers who were involved in forgiveness education in Belfast, Northern Ireland. All five teachers completed the forms. Below is a summary of the findings.

## *Highlights of the evaluation:*

- **100%** of the teachers found the forgiveness curriculum materials easy to use.
- **80%** of the teachers observed that, as a whole, the students decreased in anger as a result of learning about forgiveness.
- **100%** of the teachers observed that the students increased in cooperation as a result of learning about forgiveness.
- **80%** of the teachers observed that, as a whole, the students improved in their academic achievement as a result of learning about forgiveness.
- **80%** of the teachers thought that they became a better overall instructor as a result of teaching the forgiveness curriculum.
- **80%** of the teachers thought that they became a better person as a result of teaching the forgiveness curriculum.
- **80%** of the teachers thought that their classrooms as a whole began to function better as a result of the forgiveness curriculum.
- **60%** of the teachers thought that the school as a whole began to show improvement because of the forgiveness education program.