ABSTRACT

Previous studies examined the relationship between religion and wellbeing, but many studies focused on the effect of Christians group. This study aims to fill in the research gap, to include Buddhism under investigation as well. Christians, Buddhists and Non-religious groups' mental well-being, personality and social variables were measured; a total of 87 responses were collected. Consistent with previous literature, results showed that the type of belief will affect mental well-being and social variables are positively correlated with mental well-being. Even with the type of belief controlled, social variables can explain extra variance of mental well-being. However, contrary to previous findings in religious groups, extraversion is not correlated with mental wellbeing, and the certainty of belief does not have positive correlation with mental well-being.