

September 29, 2014

Wesley United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
14 N. May St.
Aurora, IL 60506

Greetings in Christ,

Please find the enclosed information including a detailed explanation of the apportionment formula and how your church's apportionment was calculated for 2015.

Your 2015 Apportionment Summary

Church # 10005	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$11,952	\$996
Mission & Evangelism:	\$31,248	\$2,604
Strengthening the Connection:	\$6,648	\$554
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$49,848	\$4,154

Apportionments are one of the most significant ways in which we as United Methodists stay connected to each other and to the shared mission of the United Methodist Church. Through apportionment giving, United Methodists are able to do together what no individual, church, cluster, district, or conference could possibly do on their own.

There are many resources available to help you further interpret apportionments in your local church setting. For more information, please visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/leadership-resources/apportionments/ or contact me at mbunt@umcnic.org or (312) 346-9766 x741.

Thanks for your continued support of our United Methodist connectional giving,

Merrie Bunt

Apportionments Administrator,
Northern Illinois Conference

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Aurora: Wesley Church # 10005

Please refer to the subsequent document titled "About the 2015 Apportionment" for an explanation of the revised Apportionment formula, approved at the 2014 session of the Northern Illinois Annual Conference.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	74,702	
2013: 74,657	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 74,657	Sub-total	11,952	
2011: 74,792	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 80,372	Average Weekly Attendance	136	
2009: 80,372	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(378)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	11,952	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) 0 = 11,952
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	223,194	
2013: 243,021	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 227,542	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	31,247	+1 = 31,248
2011: 223,167			
2010: 190,107			
2009: 218,871			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	332,347	
2013: 364,188	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 346,574	Sub-total	3,323	
2011: 342,153	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	3,320	
2010: 308,312	Connectional Apportionment	6,643	+5 = 6,648
2009: 304,196	Calculated Apportionment	49,843	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+5 = 49,848
	2014 Apportionment:	51,516	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-3%	