

September 29, 2014

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
751 W. Army Trail Rd
Bartlett, IL 60103

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 # 50009	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$9,804	\$817
Mission & Evangelism:	\$18,636	\$1,553
Strengthening the Connection:	\$3,276	\$273
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$31,716	\$2,643

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 Bartlett: Good Shepherd Church # 50009

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	65,994	
2013: 67,284	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 32,296	Sub-total	10,559	
2011: 66,706	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 65,568	Average Weekly Attendance	150	
2009: 65,709	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(18,256)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-608	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	9,951	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -147 = 9,804
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	135,163	
2013: 148,999	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 134,314	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	18,923	-287 = 18,636
2011: 134,314			
2010: 136,862			
2009: 99,449			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	209,978	
2013: 268,902	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 168,455	Sub-total	2,100	
2011: 231,617	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	1,221	
2010: 229,666	Connectional Apportionment	3,321	-45 = 3,276
2009: 168,652	Calculated Apportionment	32,194	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-478 = 31,704
	2014 Apportionment:	29,112	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	