

September 29, 2014

Blaine United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
7200 Blaine Rd
Poplar Grove, IL 61065

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 # 60005	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$624	\$52
Mission & Evangelism:	\$1,344	\$112
Strengthening the Connection:	\$180	\$15
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$2,148	\$179

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 Blaine Church # 60005

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	8,400	
2013: 8,400	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 8,400	Sub-total	1,344	
2011: 8,400	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 8,400	Average Weekly Attendance	35	
2009: 8,400	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(17,481)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-534	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	810	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
			-186 = 624
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	12,521	
2013: 11,886	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 13,910	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	1,753	-409 = 1,344
2011: 14,933			
2010: 11,768			
2009: 11,168			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	23,505	
2013: 23,686	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 24,503	Sub-total	235	
2011: 25,580	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 22,325	Connectional Apportionment	235	-55 = 180
2009: 22,087	Calculated Apportionment	2,798	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-650 = 2,136
	2014 Apportionment:	1,956	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	