

October 4, 2013

Bethany United Methodist Church/Jesus, El Buen Pastor
Attn: Finance Committee
3900 N Albany
Chicago, IL 60618-3402

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 2014.

Your 2014 Apportionment Summary

Church # 20004	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$0	\$0
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,252	\$271
Strengthening the Connection:	\$360	\$30
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$3,612	\$301

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. Please refer to the enclosed resource guide and for more information visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php 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

2014 Apportionment Calculation for Chicago: Bethany/Jesus, El Buen Pastor Church # 20004

Please refer to the following page titled "About the 2014 Apportionment" for an explanation of the Apportionment formula.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	7,800	
2012: 5,900	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 5,000	Sub-total	1,248	
2010: 8,500	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 9,000	Average Weekly Attendance	120	
2008: 42,000	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	(73,335) -21,600	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	0	0 = 0
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	23,167	
2012: 22,550	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 26,550	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,243	+9 = 3,252
2010: 32,750			
2009: 17,973			
2008: 20,400			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	35,983	
2012: 30,450	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 33,750	Sub-total	360	
2010: 43,750	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2009: 45,350	Connectional Apportionment	360	0 = 360
2008: 70,900	Calculated Apportionment	3,603	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		+9 = 3,612
	2013 Apportionment:	3,972	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-9%	

Remember: We averaged the three middle years after discarding the highest and lowest years.

**When 2012 was the lowest year of the 5 year data set, we averaged the three lowest years.