

October 4, 2013

Epworth United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
5253 N Kenmore Ave
Chicago, IL 60640

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 # 20016	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$6,936	\$578
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,120	\$260
Strengthening the Connection:	\$672	\$56
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$10,728	\$894

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: Epworth Church # 20016

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**	43,968	
2012: 41,545	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 48,057	Sub-total	7,035	
2010: 55,291	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 42,633	Average Weekly Attendance	43	
2008: 47,726	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(9,827)	
	Change to apportionment	-95	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	6,940	-4 = 6,936
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	22,303	
2012: 21,102	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 21,607	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,122	-2 = 3,120
2010: 24,199			
2009: 25,020			
2008: 21,100			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	64,142	
2012: 58,143	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 66,194	Sub-total	641	
2010: 68,090	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+28	
2009: 69,589	Connectional Apportionment	669	+3 = 672
2008: 68,826	Calculated Apportionment	10,731	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-3 = 10,728
	2013 Apportionment:	11,472	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-6%	

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.