

September 29, 2014

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 2015.

Your 2015 Apportionment Summary

Church # 20016	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$5,748	\$479
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,276	\$273
Strengthening the Connection:	\$744	\$62
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$9,768	\$814

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 Chicago: Epworth Church # 20016

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> 2013: 33,153 2012: 34,257 2011: 36,825 2010: 47,757 2009: 42,633	Ave. Clergy Costs	34,745	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	5,559	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance	49	
	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	8,619	
	Change to apportionment	+64	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	5,623	+125 = 5,748
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 22,938 2012: 21,102 2011: 21,607 2010: 24,199 2009: 26,656	Ave. Church Operation Costs	22,915	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,208	+68 = 3,276
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 70,465 2012: 67,893 2011: 79,194 2010: 81,920 2009: 69,589	Ave. Grand Total Spending	73,082	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	731	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
	Connectional Apportionment	731	+13 = 744
	Calculated Apportionment	9,562	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+206 = 9,768
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	10,728 -9%	