

September 29, 2014

New Gresham United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
8700 S Emerald Ave
Chicago, IL 60620

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 # 30033	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,684	\$307
Mission & Evangelism:	\$8,424	\$702
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,044	\$87
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$13,152	\$1,096

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: New Gresham Church # 30033

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	24,291	
2013: 21,000	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 21,000	Sub-total	3,887	
2011: 30,872	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 36,605	Average Weekly Attendance	65	
2009: 41,905	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(11,382)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-147	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	3,739	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -55 = 3,684
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	61,137	
2013: 67,300	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 62,048	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	8,559	-135 = 8,424
2011: 64,805			
2010: 55,375			
2009: 56,560			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	101,942	
2013: 89,300	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 87,398	Sub-total	1,019	
2011: 107,513	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	40	
2010: 126,724	Connectional Apportionment	1,059	-15 = 1,044
2009: 109,015	Calculated Apportionment	13,358	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-206 = 13,152
	2014 Apportionment:	12,072	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	