

September 29, 2014

Wesley United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
6011 W. 36th St
Cicero, IL 60804

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 # 30051	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$4,704	\$392
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,348	\$279
Strengthening the Connection:	\$696	\$58
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$8,748	\$729

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 Cicero: Wesley Church # 30051

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	28,615	
2013: 27,766	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 30,242	Sub-total	4,578	
2011: 27,837	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 33,543	Average Weekly Attendance	25	
2009: 34,032	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	10,920	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+130	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	4,709	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
			-5 = 4,704
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	23,936	
2013: 25,010	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 22,781	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,351	-3 = 3,348
2011: 23,232			
2010: 23,566			
2009: 25,118			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	70,021	
2013: 64,689	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 73,534	Sub-total	700	
2011: 71,839	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 79,838	Connectional Apportionment	700	-4 = 696
2009: 62,804	Calculated Apportionment	8,760	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-12 = 8,760
	2014 Apportionment:	9,408	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-7%	