

September 29, 2014

Cortland United Methodist Church  
Attn: Finance Committee  
P.O. Box 165  
Cortland, IL 60112

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 # 40008	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$4,020	\$335
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,124	\$177
Strengthening the Connection:	\$504	\$42
<b>Total 2015 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$6,648</b>	<b>\$554</b>

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/](http://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 Cortland Church # 40008

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.

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	25,105	
2013: 13,355	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 24,536	Sub-total	4,017	
2011: 37,424	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 48,043	Average Weekly Attendance	40	
2009: 63,965	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	-	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	4,017	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +3 = <b>4,020</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	15,199	
2013: 11,253	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 21,335	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	2,128	-4 = <b>2,124</b>
2011: 14,292			
2010: 20,940			
2009: 20,051			
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	50,602	
2013: 27,991	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 46,317	Sub-total	506	
2011: 77,497	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 96,317	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	506	-2 = <b>504</b>
2009: 84,036	Calculated Apportionment	6,651	
	<b>Total 2015 Apportionment</b>		-3 = <b>6,648</b>
	2014 Apportionment:	7,548	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-12%	