

September 29, 2014

Dakota Rock Grove United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P.O. Box 186
Dakota, IL 61018

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 # 60012	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$8,232	\$686
Mission & Evangelism:	\$4,260	\$355
Strengthening the Connection:	\$864	\$72
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$13,356	\$1,113

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 Dakota Rock Grove Church # 60012

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	51,500	
2013: 51,125	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 53,775	Sub-total	8,240	
2011: 53,250	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 50,125	Average Weekly Attendance	71	
2009: 48,975	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	118	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	8,240	-8 = 8,232
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	30,453	
2013: 23,500	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 23,280	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	4,263	-3 = 4,260
2011: 35,250			
2010: 34,950			
2009: 32,910			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	86,867	
2013: 81,255	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 84,185	Sub-total	869	
2011: 98,220	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	2	
2010: 95,161	Connectional Apportionment	870	-6 = 864
2009: 76,510	Calculated Apportionment	13,374	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-18 = 13,368
	2014 Apportionment:	12,984	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+3%	