

September 29, 2014

Cornerstone United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
41W170 Russell Rd
Elgin, IL 60124

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 # 50051	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$19,248	\$1,604
Mission & Evangelism:	\$31,248	\$2,604
Strengthening the Connection:	\$7,104	\$592
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$57,600	\$4,800

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 Elgin: Cornerstone Church # 50051

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	117,003	
2013: 100,664	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 99,040	Sub-total	18,720	
2011: 118,865	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 131,480	Average Weekly Attendance	190	
2009: 134,565	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	17,363	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+523	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	19,244	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +4 = 19,248
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	223,243	
2013: 233,896	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 229,228	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	31,254	-6 = 31,248
2011: 207,659			
2010: 173,905			
2009: 232,842			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	369,628	
2013: 368,001	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 372,400	Sub-total	3,696	
2011: 385,922	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	3,409	
2010: 368,484	Connectional Apportionment	7,105	-1 = 7,104
2009: 357,682	Calculated Apportionment	57,603	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-3 = 57,600
	2014 Apportionment:	54,852	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+5%	