

September 29, 2014

Elkhorn United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
158 Deerwood Ct
Byron, IL 61010

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 # 40016	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$660	\$55
Mission & Evangelism:	\$744	\$62
Strengthening the Connection:	\$108	\$9
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$1,512	\$126

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 Elkhorn Church # 40016

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	6,451	
2013: 6,375	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 6,525	Sub-total	1,032	
2011: 6,452	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 7,165	Average Weekly Attendance	10	
2009: 7,080	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(12,630)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-201	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	831	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -171 = 660
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	6,667	
2013: 6,201	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 5,875	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	933	-189 = 744
2011: 6,288			
2010: 7,511			
2009: 12,329			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	13,859	
2013: 13,076	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 12,995	Sub-total	139	
2011: 13,219	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 15,281	Connectional Apportionment	139	-31 = 108
2009: 19,959	Calculated Apportionment	1,903	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-391 = 1,512
	2014 Apportionment:	1,392	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	