

October 4, 2013

Grace United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1718 Avalon Avenue
Joliet, IL 60435-5718

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 2014.

Your 2014 Apportionment Summary

Church # 10021	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$15,240	\$1,270
Mission & Evangelism:	\$36,228	\$3,019
Strengthening the Connection:	\$7,500	\$625
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$58,968	\$4,914

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. Please refer to the enclosed resource guide and for more information visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php 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

2014 Apportionment Calculation for Joliet: Grace Church # 10021

Please refer to the following page titled "About the 2014 Apportionment" for an explanation of the Apportionment formula.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	95,267	
2012: 106,833	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 100,949	Sub-total	15,243	
2010: 96,118	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 71,192	Average Weekly Attendance	206	
2008: 88,733	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(3,523)	
	Change to apportionment	-4	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	15,238	+2 = 15,240
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	258,711	
2012: 266,659	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 270,810	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	36,220	+8 = 36,228
2010: 270,488			
2009: 230,842			
2008: 238,988			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	352,756	
2012: 387,300	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 388,581	Sub-total	3,528	
2010: 341,155	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+3,977	
2009: 313,109	Connectional Apportionment	7,505	-5 = 7,500
2008: 329,814	Calculated Apportionment	58,963	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		+5 = 58,968
	2013 Apportionment:	56,784	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+4%	

Remember: We averaged the three middle years after discarding the highest and lowest years.