

September 29, 2014

Leaf River United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P.O. Box 126
Leaf River, IL 61047

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 # 60031	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$2,952	\$246
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,184	\$182
Strengthening the Connection:	\$396	\$33
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$5,532	\$461

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 Leaf River Church # 60031

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> 2013: 18,767 2012: 19,432 2011: 21,549 2010: 21,334 2009: 20,012	Ave. Clergy Costs	19,404	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	3,105	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	26 (11,430) -149	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	2,955	-3 = 2,952
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 15,078 2012: 15,282 2011: 16,384 2010: 17,239 2009: 17,821	Ave. Church Operation Costs	15,581	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,181	+3 = 2,184
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 37,387 2012: 37,808 2011: 42,160 2010: 44,301 2009: 34,730	Ave. Grand Total Spending	39,118	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	391	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
	Connectional Apportionment	391	+5 = 396
	Calculated Apportionment	5,528	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+4 = 5,532
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	5,436 +2%	