

October 4, 2013

Lena United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
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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 # 60032	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$8,832	\$736
Mission & Evangelism:	\$6,840	\$570
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,200	\$100
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$16,872	\$1,406

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 Lena Church # 60032

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	55,688	
2012: 58,834	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 74,376	Sub-total	8,910	
2010: 49,135	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 51,889	Average Weekly Attendance	89	
2008: 56,339	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(9,183)	
	Change to apportionment	-77	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	8,833	-1 = 8,832
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	48,874	
2012: 36,421	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 52,773	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	6,842	-2 = 6,840
2010: 57,429			
2009: 59,140			
2008: 104,407			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	107,103	
2012: 102,065	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 122,883	Sub-total	1,071	
2010: 114,635	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+127	
2009: 104,610	Connectional Apportionment	1,198	+2 = 1,200
2008: 172,870	Calculated Apportionment	16,873	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-1 = 16,872
	2013 Apportionment:	18,156	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-7%	

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

**When 2012 was the lowest year of the 5 year data set, we averaged the three lowest years.