Lena United Methodist Church Attn: Finance Committee P.O. Box 336 Lena, IL 61048

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 # 60032	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$7,512	\$626
Mission & Evangelism:	\$7,476	\$623
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,188	\$99
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$16,176	\$1,348

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,

Apportionments Administrator, Northern Illinois Conference

Merrie Bunt

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Lena Church # 60032

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	47,007	
2013: 42,115	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 49,770	Sub-total	7,521	
2011: 67,843	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 49,135	Average Weekly Attendance	92	Final
2009: 54,183	Pastoral Residual: above (below)		Considerations:
	similar sized churches	(3,133)	(Round to 12 and
	Change to apportionment	-3	9% max increase
			or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership	7,518	-6 = 7,512
	Apportionment		
Mission & Evangelism			
Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	53,424	
2013: 54,779	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 36,421	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	7,479	-3 = 7,476
2011: 52,773			
2010: 57,429			
2009: 52,721			
Strengthening the			
Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	114,352	
2013: 110,655	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 110,909	Sub-total	1,144	
2011: 131,031	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	47	
2010: 121,492	Connectional Apportionment	1,191	-3 = 1,188
2009: 97,015	Calculated Apportionment	16,188	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-12 = 16,188
	2014 Apportionment:	16,872	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-4%	