

September 29, 2014

Leon United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
2101 Washington Road
Prophetstown, IL 61277

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 # 40031	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$1,596	\$133
Mission & Evangelism:	\$1,872	\$156
Strengthening the Connection:	\$252	\$21
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$3,720	\$310

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 Leon Church # 40031

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	10,209	
2013: 6,688	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 18,862	Sub-total	1,634	
2011: 18,073	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 9,483	Average Weekly Attendance	42	
2009: 14,458	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(6,631)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-29	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	1,604	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -8 = 1,596
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	13,424	
2013: 7,652	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 18,293	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	1,879	-7 = 1,872
2011: 15,921			
2010: 19,577			
2009: 16,700			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	25,378	
2013: 15,520	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 37,827	Sub-total	254	
2011: 34,623	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 29,877	Connectional Apportionment	254	-2 = 252
2009: 30,736	Calculated Apportionment	3,738	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-18 = 3,732
	2014 Apportionment:	3,756	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-1%	