

October 4, 2013

Cosmopolitan United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1112 N. 9th Avenue
Melrose Park, IL 60160

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 # 20073	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$8,160	\$680
Mission & Evangelism:	\$5,064	\$422
Strengthening the Connection:	\$984	\$82
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$14,208	\$1,184

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 Melrose Park: Cosmopolitan Church # 20073

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	52,002	
2012: 57,204	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 49,315	Sub-total	8,320	
2010: 49,487	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 26,070	Average Weekly Attendance	60	
2008: 57,611	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(319)	
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	8,320	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -160 = 8,160
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	36,895	
2012: 35,220	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 28,039	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	5,165	-101 = 5,064
2010: 38,542			
2009: 36,922			
2008: 39,010			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	88,249	
2012: 96,266	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 85,853	Sub-total	882	
2010: 82,626	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+122	
2009: 65,015	Connectional Apportionment	1,005	-21 = 984
2008: 96,621	Calculated Apportionment	14,490	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-282 = 14,220
	2013 Apportionment:	13,056	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	

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