

October 4, 2013

Church of the Good Shepherd
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 # 10047	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$14,268	\$1,189
Mission & Evangelism:	\$16,488	\$1,374
Strengthening the Connection:	\$3,432	\$286
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$34,188	\$2,849

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 Oswego: Good Shepherd Church # 10047

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	94,853	
2012: 90,984	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 102,357	Sub-total	15,176	
2010: 103,127	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 91,217	Average Weekly Attendance	210	
2008: 82,635	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(20,819)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-902	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	14,274	-6 = 14,268
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	117,796	
2012: 116,294	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 127,504	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	16,491	-3 = 16,488
2010: 157,366			
2009: 106,718			
2008: 109,589			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	234,361	
2012: 221,748	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 236,193	Sub-total	2,344	
2010: 250,571	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+1,085	
2009: 245,143	Connectional Apportionment	3,428	+4 = 3,432
2008: 203,642	Calculated Apportionment	34,193	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-5 = 34,188
	2013 Apportionment:	32,664	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+5%	

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