

October 4, 2013

Epworth United Methodist Church  
Attn: Finance Committee  
623 Mason St  
Ottawa, IL 61350-4045

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 # 40046	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$9,792	\$816
Mission & Evangelism:	\$8,052	\$671
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,380	\$115
<b>Total 2014 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$19,224</b>	<b>\$1,602</b>

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](http://www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php) or contact me at [mbunt@umcnic.org](mailto: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 Ottawa: Epworth Church # 40046

Please refer to the following page titled "About the 2014 Apportionment" for an explanation of the Apportionment formula.

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	61,239	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2012: 64,079	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 65,426	Sub-total	9,798	
2010: 58,139	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 61,500	Average Weekly Attendance	90	
2008: 57,751	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(4,300)	
	Change to apportionment	-8	
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	9,790	+2 = <b>9,792</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	57,461	+7 = <b>8,052</b>
2012: 50,721	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 62,809	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	8,045	
2010: 62,782			
2009: 58,879			
2008: 63,951			
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	114,061	-4 = <b>1,380</b>
2012: 107,950	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 121,635	Sub-total	1,141	
2010: 112,598	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+243	
2009: 147,958	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	1,384	
2008: 147,530	Calculated Apportionment	19,219	+5 = <b>19,224</b>
	<b>Total 2014 Apportionment</b>		
	2013 Apportionment:	20,076	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-4%	

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.