

September 29, 2014

Red Oak United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
16961-2900 N Ave
Walnut, IL 61376

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 # 40055	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$4,164	\$347
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,364	\$197
Strengthening the Connection:	\$516	\$43
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$7,044	\$587

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 Red Oak (Bureau) Church # 40055

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	27,950	
2013: 25,947	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 30,906	Sub-total	4,472	
2011: 28,687	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 29,215	Average Weekly Attendance	42	
2009: 21,976	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(7,414)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-41	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	4,431	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -267 = 4,164
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	17,923	
2013: 17,701	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 17,701	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,509	-145 = 2,364
2011: 18,368			
2010: 16,090			
2009: 20,485			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	55,373	
2013: 67,079	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 56,683	Sub-total	554	
2011: 56,091	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 53,345	Connectional Apportionment	554	-38 = 516
2009: 39,578	Calculated Apportionment	7,494	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-450 = 7,044
	2014 Apportionment:	6,468	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	