

October 4, 2013

Serena United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1635 N 4012th Rd
Earlville, IL 60518-6120

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 # 40061	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,732	\$311
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,424	\$202
Strengthening the Connection:	\$420	\$35
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$6,576	\$548

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 Serena Church # 40061

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	27,425	
2012: 29,784	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 31,467	Sub-total	4,388	
2010: 28,349	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 24,142	Average Weekly Attendance	35	
2008: 21,968	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(18,693)	
	Change to apportionment	-653	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	3,735	-3 = 3,732
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	17,317	
2012: 16,334	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 16,100	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,424	0 = 2,424
2010: 18,927			
2009: 17,461			
2008: 18,157			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	42,357	
2012: 42,056	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 43,521	Sub-total	424	
2010: 42,218	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+1	
2009: 42,796	Connectional Apportionment	425	-5 = 420
2008: 40,524	Calculated Apportionment	6,584	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-8 = 6,588
	2013 Apportionment:	6,732	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-2%	

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