

October 4, 2013

Bethel United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
217 S. Hickory
Shannon, IL 61078-9018

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 # 60065	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$12,348	\$1,029
Mission & Evangelism:	\$14,544	\$1,212
Strengthening the Connection:	\$2,460	\$205
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$29,352	\$2,446

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 Shannon: Bethel Church # 60065

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> 2012: 79,954 2011: 81,046 2010: 80,243 2009: 65,792 2008: 71,329	Ave. Clergy Costs	77,175	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	12,348	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance	131	
	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(3,262)	
	Change to apportionment	-3	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	12,345	+3 = 12,348
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2012: 106,053 2011: 111,321 2010: 103,658 2009: 94,339 2008: 101,791	Ave. Church Operation Costs	103,834	+7 = 14,544
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	14,537	
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2012: 177,765 2011: 183,438 2010: 162,212 2009: 165,484 2008: 174,057	Ave. Grand Total Spending	172,436	-5 = 2,460
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	1,724	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+740	
	Connectional Apportionment	2,465	
	Calculated Apportionment	29,347	+5 = 29,352
	Total 2014 Apportionment		
	2013 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	28,656 +2%	

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