

October 4, 2013

Wesley United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
2200 16th Ave
Sterling, IL 61081-1460

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 # 40065	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$11,052	\$921
Mission & Evangelism:	\$11,940	\$995
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,980	\$165
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$24,972	\$2,081

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 Sterling: Wesley Church # 40065

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	68,845	
2012: 83,303	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 74,356	Sub-total	11,015	
2010: 74,222	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 57,956	Average Weekly Attendance	111	
2008: 57,831	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	7,325	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+39	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	11,054	
			Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
			-2 = 11,052
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	85,301	
2012: 69,597	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 76,149	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	11,942	
2010: 66,529			-2 = 11,940
2009: 110,159			
2008: 113,155			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	161,079	
2012: 149,458	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 151,279	Sub-total	1,611	
2010: 125,611	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+365	
2009: 190,812	Connectional Apportionment	1,975	
2008: 182,499	Calculated Apportionment	24,971	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		+5 = 1,980
			+1 = 24,972
	2013 Apportionment:	26,352	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-5%	

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