

October 4, 2013

Steward United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P O Box 80
Steward, IL 60553-0080

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 # 40066	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$5,976	\$498
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,556	\$213
Strengthening the Connection:	\$588	\$49
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$9,120	\$760

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 Steward Church # 40066

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	37,364	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2012: 48,891	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 34,978	Sub-total	5,978	
2010: 38,351	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 30,303	Average Weekly Attendance	35	
2008: 38,763	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	414	
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	5,978	-2 = 5,976
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	18,251	+1 = 2,556
2012: 17,013	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 18,410	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,555	
2010: 21,369			
2009: 19,329			
2008: 21,035			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	56,475	+2 = 588
2012: 64,941	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 51,147	Sub-total	565	
2010: 52,867	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+21	
2009: 54,116	Connectional Apportionment	586	
2008: 62,442	Calculated Apportionment	9,119	+1 = 9,120
	Total 2014 Apportionment		
	2013 Apportionment:	9,276	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-2%	

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.