

October 4, 2013

Sycamore United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
160 Johnson Ave
Sycamore, IL 60178-1650

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 # 40068	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$25,908	\$2,159
Mission & Evangelism:	\$40,548	\$3,379
Strengthening the Connection:	\$11,028	\$919
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$77,484	\$6,457

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 Sycamore Church # 40068

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: 170,322 2011: 168,691 2010: 196,487 2009: 125,828 2008: 146,654	Ave. Clergy Costs	161,889	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	25,902	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance	366	
	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	2,068	
	Change to apportionment	+1	
Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment		25,903	+5 = 25,908
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2012: 311,518 2011: 305,721 2010: 283,922 2009: 269,551 2008: 279,182	Ave. Church Operation Costs	289,608	+3 = 40,548
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	40,545	
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2012: 518,001 2011: 499,046 2010: 448,218 2009: 460,833 2008: 504,131	Ave. Grand Total Spending	488,003	+3 = 11,028
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	4,880	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+6,145	
	Connectional Apportionment	11,025	
	Calculated Apportionment	77,473	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		
2013 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	78,060 -1%		

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