

WHAT ARE APPORTIONMENTS?

Apportionments are an expense The Well incurs per member from the Minnesota Annual Conference.

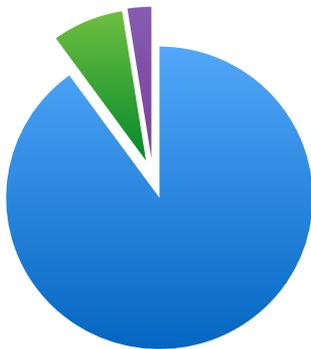
For 2021, the annual apportionment expense per member is \$150. (\$12.50/month)

A main way the ministries of the church are supported is through apportioned funds, a method of giving that proportionally allocates the global and Minnesota church budgets to local congregations. Each year, every local church is assigned “a portion meant for others.” Together, we accomplish what no single church, district, or annual conference ever could do alone. In this way, each individual, family, and congregation contributes to the church’s work. We combine our prayers, presence, gifts, and service to make a significant difference in the lives of God’s people. Apportionments started with John Wesley for just this reason.

APPORTIONED DOLLARS

Where Each Dollar Goes

- Local Church \$.90
- Annual Conference \$.075
- General Conference \$.025



NEW CHURCH STARTS

Launching new faith communities is one of the ways we fulfill the United Methodist mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world – and apportionments provide necessary funding for those new faith communities.

SUPPORTING GLOBAL EFFORTS

Important and life-changing ministries around the world are made possible thanks to apportionments. In addition to paying missionaries salaries, apportionment dollars fund the delivery vehicles that enable 100% of your donations to special offerings to go directly to the causes of your choosing.

Apportionments also support global efforts through these general funds within The United Methodist Church:

World Service Fund: Underwrites and supports Christian missions around the world.

Ministerial Education Fund: Prepares men and women for effective ministry by funding the 13 United Methodist seminaries in the USA. Additionally, 25% of the apportioned dollars that Minnesota churches provide to this fund are retained by the Minnesota Conference for clergy education.

General Administration Fund: Underwrites and finances general church activities that are administrative in nature.

Interdenominational Cooperation Fund: Supports global ecumenical efforts by partnering with Christian organizations to witness to a common Christian faith, meet human suffering, and advocate for peace and justice worldwide.

Episcopal Fund: Supports active bishops and many retired bishops and surviving spouses. Specifically, the fund pays for office operations, travel salaries, health insurance, pensions, and other expenses.

Black College Fund: Supports operations, programs and capital improvements at United Methodist-affiliated, historically black colleges across the United States, such as Rust College whose choir performed at The Well. The UMC supports 11 historically black colleges and universities, more than any other religious denomination.

Africa University Fund: Supports the only United Methodist-related, degree-granting university in Africa – serving students from all countries across the continent.

BENEFITS TO THE WELL

In addition to helping people in other countries, paying your apportionments also supports:

Pastors: Ongoing training and resources are provided to clergy and lay leaders.

Administering Pension & Health Insurance Plans for Pastors.

Grants from the conference to help churches grow in love of God and neighbor, reach new people and heal a broken world.

Minnesota Conference’s Camping Ministry which supports local church’s spiritual development efforts by providing time apart in God’s creation.

A wide variety of Christian education tools, Bible and adult small group studies, DVDs, curriculum, and other resources available to your church.

If you would like more specific information regarding apportionments, please contact Nancy in the church office at 651-423-2475 or nduren@thewellmn.church