

Apportionment Interpretation 2012

Revised August 2011

By vote of the 229th Annual Conference Session, the apportionments for 2012 were reorganized to group apportionments into the following three categories:

1. Conference Apportionments #401-#406
2. Clergy Benefit Apportionments #407-#409
3. General & Jurisdictional Apportionments #410-#416

Significant efforts were made to reduce Conference Apportionments by at least 5% with consideration of the increased Pension Liability Assessment – Pre 82 obligation.

Two changes were approved by Annual Conference vote affecting the calculation of the apportionments.

The **first change** is to use only the most recent year's net operating expenses as reported from Table II of the Eagle Statistical System to calculate each church's decimal, instead of using the three year average of net operating expenses. Therefore the 2010 statistics were used to calculate each church's 2012 apportionments.

The apportionment formula follows:

$$\frac{\text{Table II lines 51-62 (Net Operating Expenses for your church)}}{\text{Table II lines 51-62 (Net Operating Expenses for ALL Va Conference Churches)}} = \text{Your Church Decimal}$$

Your Church Decimal is multiplied by the approved Annual Conference Budget to determine your church's contribution. As you can see, it is very important that accurate information is entered by each church in the Eagle Statistical System. Note that the Table II lines 51-62 of the Eagle Statistical System does not include benevolences, mortgage principal or interest, or capital improvements.

The **second change** approved by Annual Conference vote applies only to the calculation for the Active Clergy Health Apportionment #407. A two tiered calculation is be used to calculate this apportionment.

1. The first tier allocates a flat \$5,000 per clergy that is eligible for the Conference Health Care Plan per charge based upon July 2012 appointments.
2. The remaining active clergy health care apportionment costs are apportioned based upon the total clergy compensation at your church including accountable reimbursement divided into the total clergy compensation including accountable reimbursement for ALL Virginia Conference Churches.

Churches with part-time pastors will not be apportioned the \$5,000 but will participate in the apportionment through the decimal of clergy salaries.

A multi-point charge that has a pastor eligible for the health care plan will share the \$5,000 tier and will also participate in the apportionment through the decimal of clergy salaries.

All churches with one full time appointed pastor, the church will pay the first tier \$5,000 and the decimal of clergy salaries. The higher the salary, the higher the apportionment.

Multi-clergy staff churches will be apportioned \$5,000 for each of the full time clergy eligible for the Conference Health Care Plan and will also be apportioned on the decimal of clergy salaries.

Included in this document is:

- the Approved 2012 Annual Conference Budget
- examples of church apportionments calculation
- and a description of each apportionment

Council on Finance and Administration

The 229th Session of The Annual Conferenc of the United Methodist Church voted in favor of the 2012 Budget below as presented by CF&A.

SECTION I - Summary of Conference Budget for 2012

	Sch.	2011	2012	% of Budget	Inc.\(Dec.)	% Chg.
Conference Apportionments						
401 - Conference Mission & Ministries	A	3,824,922	3,565,000	10.96%	(259,922)	-6.80%
402 - Conference Services	B	2,019,246	1,897,000	5.83%	(122,246)	-6.05%
403 - District Superintendents Fund	C	2,540,000	2,150,000	6.61%	(390,000)	-15.35%
404 - Equitable Compensation		500,000	550,000	1.69%	50,000	10.00%
405 - Church Extension & Development		812,500	812,500	2.50%	-	0.00%
406 - Virginia Education Fund		1,072,500	1,018,875	3.13%	(53,625)	-5.00%
Total Conference Apportionments		10,769,168	9,993,375	30.72%	(775,793)	-7.20%
Clergy Benefits Apportionments						
407 - Active Clergy Health		8,451,813	8,713,713	26.78%	261,900	3.10%
408 - Retired Clergy Health		5,434,412	5,434,412	16.71%	-	0.00%
409 - Pension Liability Assessment - Pre 82		563,500	2,010,310	6.18%	1,446,810	256.75%
Total Clergy Benefit Apportionments		14,449,725	16,158,435	49.67%	1,708,710	11.83%
General & Jurisdictional Apportionments						
410 - Episcopal Fund		911,326	962,717	2.96%	51,391	5.64%
411 - World Service		3,247,078	3,160,556	9.71%	(86,522)	-2.66%
412 - General & Jurisdictional Connectional Fund		604,805	611,450	1.88%	6,645	1.10%
413 - Ministerial Education		1,096,942	1,048,613	3.22%	(48,329)	-4.41%
414 - Black College Fund		437,551	418,244	1.29%	(19,307)	-4.41%
415 - Africa University Fund		97,927	93,606	0.29%	(4,321)	-4.41%
416 - Interdenominational Cooperation Fund		85,478	83,004	0.26%	(2,474)	-2.89%
Total General & Jurisdictional Apportionments		6,481,107	6,378,190	19.61%	(102,917)	-1.59%
Total Apportionments		31,700,000	32,530,000	100.00%	830,000	2.62%

Part Time Pastor Church

2010 Church Statistics - Table II from Eagle

Line 51 - Clergy Pension	-
Line 52 - Clergy Health	-
Line 53 - Pastor Salary	26,426
Line 54 - Associate Pastor Salary	-
Line 55 - Pastor/Assoc Housing/Utilities	-
Line 56 - Pastor/Assoc Acct Reimbursement	2,500
Line 57 - Pastor/Assoc Cash Allow (Non-Acctable)	-
Line 58 - Deacon Salary/Benefits	-
Line 59 - Diaconal Minister Salary/Benefits	-
Line 60 - Salary/Benefits Church Staff	2,000
Line 61 - Program Expenses	8,680
Line 62 - Operating Expenses	16,386
Your Church's Net Operating Expenses	55,992
ALL Va Conf Churches Net Operating Expenses	156,500,125
* Your Church's Operating Expenses Decimal	0.0003578
Number of Health Care Eligible Clergy for your Charge	-
Number of Churches in your Charge	1
** Your Church's Tier 1 - Health Care Apportionment	0
Your Church's Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	28,926
Tier 2 Decimal for All Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	0.111862
** Your Church's Tier 2 - Health Care Apportionment	3,236

2012 Apportionments	Your Church	Conference
* 401-Conference Mission and Ministries	1,275	3,565,000
* 402-Conference Services	679	1,897,000
* 403-District Superintendents Fund	769	2,150,000
* 404-Equitable Compensation	197	550,000
* 405-Church Extension and Development	291	812,500
* 406-Vriginia Education Fund	365	1,018,875
** 407-Active Clergy Health	3,236	8,713,713
* 408-Retired Clergy Health	1,944	5,434,412
* 409-Pension Liability Assessment - Pre 82	719	2,010,310
* 410-Episcopal Fund	344	962,717
* 411-World Service	1,131	3,160,556
* 412-General and Jurisdictional Connectional Fund	219	611,450
* 413-Ministerial Education	375	1,048,613
* 414-Black College Fund	150	418,244
* 415-Africa University Fund	33	93,606
* 416-Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	30	83,004
Total 2012 Apportionments for your Church	11,757	32,530,000

Multi-Point Charge Church

2010 Church Statistics - Table II from Eagle

Line 51 - Clergy Pension	3,724
Line 52 - Clergy Health	-
Line 53 - Pastor Salary	18,166
Line 54 - Associate Pastor Salary	-
Line 55 - Pastor/Assoc Housing/Utilities	2,987
Line 56 - Pastor/Assoc Acct Reimbursement	3,471
Line 57 - Pastor/Assoc Cash Allow (Non-Acctable)	350
Line 58 - Deacon Salary/Benefits	-
Line 59 - Diaconal Minister Salary/Benefits	-
Line 60 - Salary/Benefits Church Staff	7,176
Line 61 - Program Expenses	2,031
Line 62 - Operating Expenses	18,388
Your Church's Net Operating Expenses	56,293
ALL Va Conf Churches Net Operating Expenses	156,500,125
* Your Church's Operating Expenses Decimal	0.0003597
Number of Health Care Eligible Clergy for your Charge	1
Number of Churches in your Charge	2
** Your Church's Tier 1 - Health Care Apportionment	2,500
Your Church's Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	21,637
Tier 2 Decimal for All Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	0.111862
** Your Church's Tier 2 - Health Care Apportionment	2,420

<u>2012 Apportionments</u>	<u>Your Church</u>	<u>Conference</u>
* 401-Conference Mission and Ministries	1,282	3,565,000
* 402-Conference Services	682	1,897,000
* 403-District Superintendents Fund	773	2,150,000
* 404-Equitable Compensation	198	550,000
* 405-Church Extension and Development	292	812,500
* 406-Vriginia Education Fund	366	1,018,875
** 407-Active Clergy Health	4,920	8,713,713
* 408-Retired Clergy Health	1,955	5,434,412
* 409-Pension Liability Assessment - Pre 82	723	2,010,310
* 410-Episcopal Fund	346	962,717
* 411-World Service	1,137	3,160,556
* 412-General and Jurisdictional Connectional Fund	220	611,450
* 413-Ministerial Education	377	1,048,613
* 414-Black College Fund	150	418,244
* 415-Africa University Fund	34	93,606
* 416-Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	30	83,004
Total 2012 Apportionments for your Church	13,487	32,530,000

Single Pastor Church

2010 Church Statistics - Table II from Eagle

Line 51 - Clergy Pension	7,448
Line 52 - Clergy Health	-
Line 53 - Pastor Salary	44,464
Line 54 - Associate Pastor Salary	-
Line 55 - Pastor/Assoc Housing/Utilities	16,029
Line 56 - Pastor/Assoc Acct Reimbursement	950
Line 57 - Pastor/Assoc Cash Allow (Non-Acctable)	-
Line 58 - Deacon Salary/Benefits	-
Line 59 - Diaconal Minister Salary/Benefits	-
Line 60 - Salary/Benefits Church Staff	48,408
Line 61 - Program Expenses	5,988
Line 62 - Operating Expenses	39,169
Your Church's Net Operating Expenses	162,456
ALL Va Conf Churches Net Operating Expenses	156,500,125
* Your Church's Operating Expenses Decimal	0.0010381
Number of Health Care Eligible Clergy for your Charge	1
Number of Churches in your Charge	1
** Your Church's Tier 1 - Health Care Apportionment	5,000
Your Church's Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	45,414
Tier 2 Decimal for All Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	0.111862
** Your Church's Tier 2 - Health Care Apportionment	5,080

<u>2012 Apportionments</u>	<u>Your Church</u>	<u>Conference</u>
* 401-Conference Mission and Ministries	3,701	3,565,000
* 402-Conference Services	1,969	1,897,000
* 403-District Superintendents Fund	2,232	2,150,000
* 404-Equitable Compensation	571	550,000
* 405-Church Extension and Development	843	812,500
* 406-Vriginia Education Fund	1,058	1,018,875
** 407-Active Clergy Health	10,080	8,713,713
* 408-Retired Clergy Health	5,641	5,434,412
* 409-Pension Liability Assessment - Pre 82	2,087	2,010,310
* 410-Episcopal Fund	999	962,717
* 411-World Service	3,281	3,160,556
* 412-General and Jurisdictional Connectional Fund	635	611,450
* 413-Ministerial Education	1,089	1,048,613
* 414-Black College Fund	434	418,244
* 415-Africa University Fund	97	93,606
* 416-Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	86	83,004
Total 2012 Apportionments for your Church	34,803	32,530,000

Multi Pastor Church

2010 Church Statistics - Table II from Eagle

Line 51 - Clergy Pension	33,064
Line 52 - Clergy Health	-
Line 53 - Pastor Salary	97,023
Line 54 - Associate Pastor Salary	30,418
Line 55 - Pastor/Assoc Housing/Utilities	16,499
Line 56 - Pastor/Assoc Acct Reimbursement	6,362
Line 57 - Pastor/Assoc Cash Allow (Non-Acctable)	-
Line 58 - Deacon Salary/Benefits	-
Line 59 - Diaconal Minister Salary/Benefits	-
Line 60 - Salary/Benefits Church Staff	383,204
Line 61 - Program Expenses	80,902
Line 62 - Operating Expenses	114,713
Your Church's Net Operating Expenses	762,185
ALL Va Conf Churches Net Operating Expenses	156,500,125
* Your Church's Operating Expenses Decimal	0.0048702
Number of Health Care Eligible Clergy for your Charge	2
Number of Churches in your Charge	1
** Your Church's Tier 1 - Health Care Apportionment	10,000
Your Church's Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	133,803
Tier 2 Decimal for All Clergy Salary & Accountable Reimbursement	0.111862
** Your Church's Tier 2 - Health Care Apportionment	14,967

<u>2012 Apportionments</u>	<u>Your Church</u>	<u>Conference</u>
* 401-Conference Mission and Ministries	17,362	3,565,000
* 402-Conference Services	9,239	1,897,000
* 403-District Superintendents Fund	10,471	2,150,000
* 404-Equitable Compensation	2,679	550,000
* 405-Church Extension and Development	3,957	812,500
* 406-Vriginia Education Fund	4,962	1,018,875
** 407-Active Clergy Health	24,967	8,713,713
* 408-Retired Clergy Health	26,467	5,434,412
* 409-Pension Liability Assessment - Pre 82	9,791	2,010,310
* 410-Episcopal Fund	4,689	962,717
* 411-World Service	15,393	3,160,556
* 412-General and Jurisdictional Connectional Fund	2,978	611,450
* 413-Ministerial Education	5,107	1,048,613
* 414-Black College Fund	2,037	418,244
* 415-Africa University Fund	456	93,606
* 416-Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	404	83,004
Total 2012 Apportionments for your Church	140,957	32,530,000

CONFERENCE MISSION & MINISTRIES APPORTIONMENT #401

The Conference Mission & Ministries Apportionment connects the 1,179 churches of the Virginia Conference toward a goal of fruitfulness and multiplication. Guided by a focus on leadership development, this apportionment provides a holistic approach to ministries that seek to disciple people in the Christian faith through existing congregations, new faith communities, and ministries that reach beyond the local church. Funding for the Mission & Ministries Apportionment includes support for ministries in Virginia and around the world that disciple children, youth, and adults, funding for campus ministries, disaster response, prison chaplain ministries, a unified response to natural disasters, and ministries with persons from all walks of life.

2010 Apportionment	\$3,390,385
2010 Received from Churches	\$2,794,556
2010 % Received	82.52%
2011 Apportionment	\$3,824,922
2012 Apportionment	\$3,565,000

CONFERENCE SERVICES FUND APPORTIONMENT #402

The Conference Services Apportionments supports the administrative work that is not included in the Conference Mission & Ministries Apportionment and includes:

Conference Treasurer's Office (\$352,000) - Includes the processing and distribution of approximately \$30 million received from local churches for apportionments and second-mile giving,, collection, verification, and oversees membership and financial statistics submitted from all the local churches, insurance administration for the Conference, and serving as resource for local churches in the areas of finance, stewardship, administration, and insurance.

Board of Ordained Ministry (\$275,940) – Includes the administrative and staff support for Ministerial Services as well as the financial support for the Clergy Support (Candidate Evaluations, Minister’s Family Counseling, Sexual Ethics Response Team, and Clergy Families in Transition).

Annual Conference Session (\$210,000) - Provides funding for rent of meeting facilities, printing of *Book of Reports* and other program materials, audio recordings, honoraria and travel for speakers and approximately \$40,000 per diem expenses for retired pastors.

Bishop’s Assistant (\$155,000) – Provides the cost the expenses of the office of the Bishop’s assistant including salary, benefits, travel, secretarial support, and office expenses.

Conference-Provided Publications (\$7,500) – These funds were significantly reduced from \$20,000 in 2011. The *Journal of the Annual Conference* will be printed in hard copy for conference staff, district offices and those other groups designated by *The Book of Discipline 2008*. Local churches can access the *Journal* on the conference website. A CD or hard copy can be purchased through the Communications Department at the Conference Office by order no later than Aug 15th.

Computer Services (\$80,000) Provides support for Conference computer services including maintenance and purchase of hardware and software for information technology and website.

Wesley Foundation Maintenance (\$50,000) – Provides for major repair and renovation for Conference-owned Wesley Foundation properties.

800 Telephone Number (\$20,000) - Pays for the 1-800-768-6040 number coming into the Conference.

Mortgage – VA. United Methodist Center (\$265,000) – Mortgage payment on the unpaid balance of approximately \$2,000,000 on the Virginia United Methodist Center.

Additional funds are used for administrative expenses for such groups as Conference Trustees, CFA, and the Conference Historical Society as well as providing the Insurance needed to cover the Conference Office and Boards.

2010 Apportionment	\$2,354,591
2010 Received from Churches	\$1,844,248
2010 % Received	78.33%
2011 Apportionment	\$2,019,246
2012 Apportionment	\$1,897,000

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS FUND
APPORTIONMENT #403**

The District Superintendents Apportionment provides for salaries, pensions, medical benefits, travel, workers compensation and continuing education for the 16 district superintendents of the Virginia United Methodist Conference. All other District Superintendent related costs such as housing, district office expenses and staff is paid at the district level.

2010 Apportionment	\$2,423,701
2010 Received from Churches	\$2,090,385
2010 % Received	86.25%
2011 Apportionment	\$2,540,000
2012 Apportionment	\$2,150,000

EQUITABLE COMPENSATION FUND APPORTIONMENT #404

The Equitable Compensation Fund provides financial assistance for churches within the Virginia Conference which are unable to meet the minimum compensation for their clergy. Full-time ministers are guaranteed a minimum level of compensation dependent upon their ordination status. The local church or charge is required to provide a minimum amount frequently referred to as the "floor" level of compensation. The minimum compensation and floor levels for 2012 are as follows:

	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>Floor</u>
Full Connection (Elders)	\$40,000	\$28,000
Probationers/Associate Members	\$36,500	\$25,600
Local Pastors	\$34,000	\$24,000

The primary obligation of the Equitable Compensation Commission is to make up the difference between the minimum compensation level and the floor for churches determined to be eligible. The Commission also pays the pro-rata portion of ministers' current pension plan.

In 2011, there are 41 charges receiving funds for compensation support throughout the Virginia Conference. Although your church may not currently benefit directly from this fund, we are part of a connectional system that was there to help many of our churches maintain their clergy salary in times of financial difficulty.

2010 Apportionment	\$1,144,000
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 973,410
2010 % Received	85.09%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 500,000
2012 Apportionment	\$ 550,000

CHURCH EXTENSION & DEVELOPMENT FUND APPORTIONMENT #405

The Church Extension & Development Fund (CEF) supports the Church Development Team with 65% of the amount received to support New Faith Communities in assistance for the first three years of inception. CEF also supports the Common Table Special and Sustaining Program Grants with 10% of the amount received to provide financial grants to outreach ministries throughout the Virginia Conference. The remaining 25% of the amount received is returned to the Districts to support their Church Extension and Board of Missions.

The effort to raise funds for new churches and church expansion has a long history in the Virginia Conference. In the mid-1950's the churches of the Conference began paying a Church Extension Tithe. This provided the primary Conference-level funding for church extension for over twenty years. The Annual Conference Session of 1981 approved an apportionment of \$450,000 for Church Extension and the Ministry in the Black Community and approved a name change from the Church Budget Tithe for Church Extension to the current title of Church Extension and Development Fund. The apportionment was raised to \$600,000 in 1982. Also, beginning in 1982 a New Church Development Sunday offering was received in April of each year with a goal of \$400,000. This offering continued through 1987 before it was discontinued at the onset of the Revealing Christ Campaign. In 1987, the combination of the Church Extension and Development Fund and the New Church Development Sunday raised a total of \$816,514. From 1988 to 1991, approximately \$12M was raised for a variety of church extension programs through the Revealing Christ Campaign.

All Things New Financial Campaign was approved by the 2009 Annual Conference to provide financial support in beginning 250 new faith communities in 30 years. Funds from this campaign will provide support for leadership needs of new faith communities that exceed the funding provided by the Church Extension and Development Fund.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 812,500
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 630,039
2010 % Received	77.54%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 812,500
2012 Apportionment	\$ 812,500

VIRGINIA EDUCATION FUND APPORTIONMENT #406

The Virginia Education Fund provides support to five Virginia Conference church-related colleges and universities and one preparatory school. These institutions are:

Ferrum College - Ferrum
Randolph-Macon College - Ashland
Randolph College - Lynchburg
Shenandoah University - Winchester
Virginia Wesleyan College - Norfolk-Virginia Beach
Randolph-Macon Academy - Front Royal

All of the institutions must use at least fifty percent of their share of these funds for student scholarships. The remainder of the funds is used for providing religious activities for the students on campus. All United Methodist students receive at least \$500 scholarship for attending a United Methodist affiliated institution. The apportionment will be distributed to the institutions on a pro-rata basis upon which they have agreed.

In 2012, this apportionment was reduced by 5% to stay within the overall goal of reducing all Conference Apportionments by at least 5%.

2010 Apportionment	\$1,072,500
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 819,256
2010 % Received	76.39%
2011 Apportionment	\$1,072,500
2012 Apportionment	\$1,018,875

ACTIVE CLERGY HEALTH APPORTIONMENT #407

The Active Clergy Health Apportionment provides health care benefits for approximately 800 active clergy, incapacitated clergy, and widows of active clergy and their families. Each clergy contributes the “employee contribution” amount billed monthly from VUMPI, which the church should deduct from their paycheck. The remaining Active Clergy Health expenses are apportioned to all local churches according to the Active Clergy Health Two-tiered apportionment as described at the beginning of this document.

2010 Apportionment	\$8,205,644
2010 Received from Churches	\$7,230,785
2010 % Received	88.12%
2011 Apportionment	\$8,451,813
2012 Apportionment	\$8,713,713

RETIRED CLERGY HEALTH APPORTIONMENT #408

The Retired Clergy Health Apportionment provides Medicare supplemental insurance benefits for approximately 600 retired clergy. Each retired clergy receives a monthly bill from VUMPI for the “employee contribution” and the remaining cost is apportioned to the local churches based upon the decimal of operating expenses.

2010 Apportionment	\$5,276,128
2010 Received from Churches	\$4,649,305
2010 % Received	88.12%
2011 Apportionment	\$5,434,412
2012 Apportionment	\$5,434,412

PENSION LIABILITY ASSESSMENT – PRE 82 APPORTIONMENT #409

Active and retired clergy are provided a defined pension benefit for years of ministerial service they accumulated prior to 1982 (referred to as the “Pre-82” benefit or the “Ministers’ Reserve Pension Fund” MRPF benefit). In 2012, each clergy person in retirement status with Pre-82 service will receive at least \$560 for each year of Pre-82 service, for the remainder of their life. Surviving spouses of said clergy will receive 70% of this amount for the remainder of their lives.

Ever since the Pre-82 was frozen on December 31, 1981, the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits (GBPHB) has calculated the annual contribution required of each annual conference to sustain the Pre-82 benefit for current and future eligible retirees. For 2011, the GBPHB calculated an annual contribution that is noticeably higher than in previous years for the Virginia Conference. The cost to the Virginia Conference had been \$563,500 for more than 10 years and increased in 2011 to \$2,010,310. In 2011 the Virginia United Methodist Pensions Inc. (VUMPI) was able to offset this increase by the release of funds from the Pension, Health & Welfare Reserve Fund (PHWRF). The purpose of this fund is to supplement the cost of pension and benefits plans made available to our clergy, and as in this case, to also stabilize wide fluctuations in the costs of pension and benefit plans year-over-year.

In 2012, the Pre-82 Pension Liability Assessment obligation will be passed on to the local churches to fund totaling \$2,010,310.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 563,106
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 496,207
2010 % Received	88.12%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 563,500
2012 Apportionment	\$2,010,310

EPISCOPAL FUND APPORTIONMENT #410

The Episcopal Fund was one of three general apportioned funds which were a part of the financial plan of the Methodist Church from the time of its unification in 1939. It continued as the source of funding for the office of the episcopacy with the unification that created the United Methodist Church in 1968. The revenue from the Episcopal Fund apportionment:

Pays salaries of bishops

Pays \$10,000 toward the costs for the Episcopal residence

Pays moving expenses for bishops

Provides pension and medical insurance coverage for bishops and their spouses and disability coverage for bishops

Covers costs of bishops' professional travel

Pays Episcopal office expenses, subject to approval by the General Council on Finance and Administration

All funds collected for the Episcopal Fund are sent by the Conference Treasurer's Office to the General Council on Finance and Administration on a monthly basis and are then distributed back to our Bishop's Office on a regular basis. All active bishops are paid the same salary based on General Conference action each quadrennium. Each bishop is allocated up to \$77,300 for office expenses which includes secretarial salary and benefits along with all other office expenses.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 890,987
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 776,169
2010 % Received	87.11%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 911,326
2012 Apportionment	\$ 926,717

WORLD SERVICE APPORTIONMENT #411

According to *The Book of Discipline 2008* ¶812, “The World Service Fund is basic in the financial program of The United Methodist Church. World Service on apportionment represents the minimum needs of the general agencies of the Church. Payment in full of these apportionments by local churches and annual conferences is the first benevolent responsibility of the Church.”

Not only does this apportionment provide for the administrative structure of our General Church, but the major thrust in mission giving in our Church also begins with the World Service Fund, enabling the United Methodist be in mission and ministry in 167 countries throughout the world. For instance, because of our contributions to World Service, every dollar that we contribute for the support of approximately 1,070 mission personnel goes directly to these people because overhead expenses are funded through World Service. When there are not enough funds available to provide salary support for these missionaries through our advance special giving, World Service funds are used to make up this shortfall.

It is really about the people in local congregations all across the Virginia Conference who live, work, and do ministry where they are - and have enough love and resources to reach out to the world beyond their door.

Acts 1:8 But the Holy Spirit will come upon you and give you power. Then you will tell everyone about me in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and everywhere in the world.”

2010 Apportionment	\$3,253,810
2010 Received from Churches	\$2,684,965
2010 % Received	82.52%
2011 Apportionment	\$3,247,078
2012 Apportionment	\$3,160,556

GENERAL & JURISDICTIONAL CONNECTIONAL FUND APPORTIONMENT #412

This fund is the combination of two apportioned items - the General Administration Fund from the General Church and the SEJ Mission & Ministry Fund from the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Both of these funds finance church activities that are administrative in nature plus the program ministries of the Jurisdiction.

The *General Administration Fund* was established as a part of the original financial plan of the Methodist Church at its unification in 1939. It was continued in the United Methodist Church as the source of funding for the session of the General Conference every four years, the Judicial Council, and other general church agencies deemed to be administrative in nature. Approximately twenty-four percent of this fund is budgeted for the 2012 General Conference. This is to cover the cost of transportation of the official delegates, a per diem for food and lodging, rental of meeting facilities, equipment and services, and the printing of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Other major recipients of this fund are the General Council on Finance and Administration (61 percent), General Commission on Archives and History (13 percent), and Judicial Council and Contingencies (3 percent).

The *Southeastern Jurisdictional Mission & Ministry Fund* provides administrative costs for Jurisdictional Council offices, program support for the Jurisdiction, and the costs of the SEJ Jurisdictional Conference each quadrennium. This fund provides per diem plus travel costs for almost 600 delegates to the four-day Jurisdictional Conference. One of the major responsibilities of these delegates is the election of bishops. But, the overwhelming majority of these funds are used in support of the SEJ Administrative Council and the programs it supports such as Hinton Rural Life Center, Gulf side Assembly, SEMAR, UMVIM and the Lay Ministry Training Center.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 601,458
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 457,811
2010 % Received	76.12%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 604,805
2012 Apportionment	\$ 611,450

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION APPORTIONMENT #413

The Ministerial Education Fund was established by action of the 1968 General Conference as a means of engaging the total membership of the church in an effort to equip annual conference, theological schools, and the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) to meet the need for increased resources for the recruitment and education of persons for ordained ministry. Since 1976, programs related to both diaconal and ordained ministry have been eligible for funding. And, since 1996, programs related to recruitment and education of both deacons and elders have received support.

The Virginia Conference retains twenty-five percent of all funds received for use as scholarships and loans to ministerial students. Over 150 persons in the Virginia Conference will receive grants for seminary study and continuing education in 2011.

The seventy-five percent that goes to the General Church is used primarily to support the following thirteen United Methodist theological schools and seminaries:

- Boston University School of Theology
- Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta
- Drew University Theological School, Madison, NJ
- Duke University Divinity School, Durham
- Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta
- Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, Illinois
- Iiff School of Theology, Denver
- Methodist Theological School in Delaware, Ohio
- Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas
- St. Paul School of Theology, Kansas City
- Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, California
- United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio
- Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC

The Ministerial Education Fund is essential to assure the tradition of well-educated clergy for The United Methodist Church.

2010 Apportionment	\$1,108,882
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 845,240
2010 % Received	76.22%
2011 Apportionment	\$1,096,942
2012 Apportionment	\$1,048,613

BLACK COLLEGE FUND APPORTIONMENT #414

Immediately following the Civil War, the Methodist Church was the first to recognize its moral responsibility to provide educational opportunities for gifted young newly-freed blacks. Schools and colleges supported by the church were developed throughout the southern part of the United States, mostly by the Methodist Freedmen's Aid Society.

Today, eleven of these schools remain and are supported by the United Methodist Church through the Black College Fund. These colleges are:

Bennett College	Greensboro, North Carolina
Bethune-Cookman College	Daytona Beach, Florida
Clafin College	Orangeburg, South Carolina
Clark Atlanta University	Atlanta, Georgia
Dillard University	New Orleans, Louisiana
Huston-Tillotson University	Austin, Texas
Meharry Medical College	Nashville, Tennessee
Paine College	Augusta, Georgia
Philander Smith College	Little Rock, Arkansas
Rust College	Holly Springs, Mississippi
Wiley College	Marshall, Texas

The Black College Fund was established in 1972 by the General Conference as an apportioned benevolence fund. The chief result of this 1972 action was the removal of these colleges from the occasional support system of a special appeal and offering, instead, regular and consistent support by apportionments. Five-sixths of funds raised are for current operations and the remaining one-sixth is designated for capital expenditures such as new buildings and major remodeling.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 442,376
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 337,850
2010 % Received	76.37%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 437,551
2012 Apportionment	\$ 418,244

AFRICA UNIVERSITY FUND APPORTIONMENT #415

The 1988 General Conference recognized the need for a university in Africa and committed \$20 to be raised in the 1989-1992 quadrennium - \$10M through apportionments and \$10M through World Service Special Gifts. The need for the university was obvious - by the year 2000, one-fifth of the world's population will live in Africa. The growth of the United Methodist Church on the African continent is equally dramatic. The phenomenal growth of Christians in Africa is illustrated by the following numerical estimates:

1950's	21 million
1960's	48 million
1986	230 million
2000	393 million

The Africa University is the United Methodist Church's response to this enormous growth and to the educational needs of the continent. A site for building the university was selected at Old Mutare in Zimbabwe, one of the most stable countries in Africa. On March 23, 1992, the College of Theology and the College of Agriculture and National Resources opened for 40 students from six African countries. A College of Management and Administration and a College of Education opened in 1996. The most recent discipline added is the College of Humanities and Social Studies. The student body has now reached almost 1300 which provides an economically sustainable enrollment base.

A university in Africa is exciting to Africans who want to study in Africa where the curriculum and instruction will emphasize African culture, perspectives, and concerns. Most Africans travel to Europe, Latin America, or the United States for college or university education. The cost and inconvenience are great. For example, to educate an African student in the United States costs approximately three times what it would cost to educate that same student in Africa. The Africa University provides the United Methodist Church with an unprecedented opportunity to be in ministry to millions of people on the African continent seeking to know more about Christ.

2010 Apportionment	\$ 99,007
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 77,485
2010 % Received	78.26%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 97,927
2012 Apportionment	\$ 93,606

INTERDENOMINATIONAL COOPERATION FUND APPORTIONMENT #416

The ICF provides basic support for the ecumenical agencies through which the United Methodist Church participates in God's mission in other Christian communions. Following are some of the major ministries funded through ICF:

World Council of Churches - Founded in 1948, the WCC is an exclusive expression of Christian unity - a world fellowship encompassing approximately 350 Christian groups representing 400M Christians in more than 120 countries. The United Methodist Church's forerunner denominations - Methodist and EUB - were charter members.

National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA - The NCCC is the preeminent expression of the movement of Christian unity in the United States. Formed in 1950, the NCCC includes 36 Protestant and Orthodox member communions with nearly 45M members. The NCCC serves as broker for such ministries as disaster relief and recovery, refugee assistance, mission education, and people in poverty.

Churches Uniting in Christ - Nine denominations are joined together in consultation to seek ways toward greater visible unity among themselves. These nine member denominations are:

African Methodist Episcopal Church
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
The Episcopal Church
International Council of Community Churches
Presbyterian Church (USA)
United Church of Christ
The United Methodist Church

2010 Apportionment	\$ 86,303
2010 Received from Churches	\$ 66,637
2010 % Received	77.21%
2011 Apportionment	\$ 85,478
2012 Apportionment	\$ 83,004