Celebrate the Connection!

THE COSTS & BENEFITS OF UNITED METHODIST GIVING

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT
In 2011, United Methodists gave –

- $6.2 billion dollars
  - An average of $121 million each week
  - $12,000 every minute 24/7/365

- Approximately 13% goes to pay apportionments
### Shift Away From Missions

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<th>Year</th>
<th>% of Local Church Budget</th>
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| 1968 | 44% for mission (including 26% apportionment)  
     | 24% for salaries and administration  
     | 19% for building and maintenance (including debt on building)  
     | 13% program and ministry |
| 2008 | 39% building and maintenance (including debt on building)  
     | 37% for salaries and administration  
     | 15% for mission (including 13% apportionment)  
     | 8% program and ministry |
In the Wisconsin Conference –

- Apportionments cost $1.78 per member per week
- This amounts to less than $100 a year ($92.56)

What do we get for our buck seventy-eight?
GLOBAL BENEFITS

- 100+ UM-related community centers
- More than 2,000 Advance/Advance special projects
- 113 UM colleges, universities & seminaries
- 16 ministries for persons with disabilities
GLOBAL BENEFITS

- UM mission work supported in 125 countries
- 800 missionaries serving in 65 countries (Wisconsin supports 11)
- 12,000 participants in Volunteers in Mission projects
GLOBAL BENEFITS

- 52 hospitals and health care facilities
- 157 retirement homes, assisted living & long-term care facilities
- 63 children, youth and/or family service facilities
- 171 domestic abuse ministries
GLOBAL BENEFITS

- 15 orphanages
- 54 substance abuse recovery centers/programs
- 279 prison ministries, including re-entry programs
- 17,000 + food pantries, soup kitchens, feeding programs
2 Camps – Camp & Retreat ministries at Pine Lake and Lake Lucerne

15 health & welfare ministries, including –
- Northcott Neighborhood House
- Harbor House
- United Methodist Children’s Services of Milwaukee
- Hmong House of Good News
WISCONSIN BENEFITS

- 5 retirement, assisted living, geriatric care ministries
- 21 ministries to the poor, hungry, homeless and mentally handicapped
- 3 hospice/end-of-life care ministries
WISCONSIN BENEFITS

- 2 prison ministries & ministry to children and families of the incarcerated
- National & International Volunteers in Mission
- Global partnerships in East Angola, Korea, and with three Native American tribes
9 campus ministries
Disaster response, flood recovery, emergency relief
Hunger Task Force
Immigration Task Force
Domestic abuse & human trafficking ministries
Substance abuse ministry
WISCONSIN BENEFITS

- New ministry starts – Anglo, Hispanic/Latino, Hmong, & Multicultural faith communities
- Continuing education and credentialing for clergy and laity
- Archives and history – preservation of Wisconsin’s EUB/UM heritage and history
- Specialized ministry support for racial and ethnic congregations
- Local church resourcing in –
  - Evangelism
  - Spiritual Formation
  - Leadership Development
  - Congregational Planning
  - Stewardship
  - Lifelong learning
Conflict transformation, mediation, and consultation

Ministry with young people – youth and young adults
## APPORTIONMENT BREAKDOWN

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<td>7%</td>
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So, of your $1.78 a week –

- .12 Administration (materials, communication, equipment, etc.)
- .53 Salaries (including Conference staff, DSs = 27 people)
- .75 Wisconsin Conference missions, ministries and programs
- .16 Denominational Ministries (Boards, Agencies, Bishops)
- .22 Global Ministries (including missionaries)
For less than the cost of a cup of coffee ($1.87 for a large), one gallon of gas ($3.59 recently), a Big Mac ($3.29), or a subscription to Netflix ($7.99 a month) –

You support over 400 ministries that save lives & souls, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, protect the innocent, give hope to the hopeless, provide skills and training to those in need, house the homeless, heal the sick, comfort the grief-stricken, educate young people, build global relationships, spread the gospel, and witness to the unconditional and complete love of God as the body of Christ empowered by the Holy Spirit.