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Memo

To: Members of the CFA Committee
From: John Cardillo, Treasurer/DAS
Date: September 5, 2018
Subject: CFA 9/15/2018 meeting materials



Please find enclosed the CFA 9/15/18 agenda and supporting documents for your review.

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Council on Finance and Administration
September 15, 2018**

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**Council on Finance and Administration
United Methodists of Greater New Jersey
Minutes - May 12, 2018**

Present: Michael Ernst, Bob Dietz, Ruth London, Jack Scharf, Neill Tolboom, Vasanth Victor, Sang Hoon Choi, Brian Roberts, David Mertz, David Yamoah

Conference Bridge: Bishop John Schol, Judy Colorado

Excused Absences: Janice Lynn, Mark Ale, Paquita Henderson

Prayer: Sang Hoon Choi opened with prayer.

Adoption of Agenda: Agenda adopted.

Approval of March 17, 2018 minutes: Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Dietz moved to approve. Vasanth Victor seconded. Report approved.

Concerns of the Bishop: Bishop Schol discussed the proposed legislation and then left the meeting to attend Drew University commencement.

Proposed Legislation: Council discussed the following motion and after deliberation Jack Scharf motioned to accept and support the following motion. Ruth London seconded.

***MOTION:** The Council on Finance and Administration of the United Methodist Church of Greater Jersey encourages and supports Bishop John Schol to join a lawsuit being filed by the Coalition of Diverse and Inclusive Schools that seeks to end segregation in New Jersey Public Schools on behalf of United Methodists of Greater New Jersey and that a formal vote be taken at the 2018 Annual Conference Session to ratify this action.*

Concerns of the Cabinet: Brian Roberts discussed Harvest Mission and Strategic Disciple Making Grant process and intended results. Appointments for 2018 conference year have been completed.

Subcommittee Reports:

Audit and Accounting Report: Audit report proposed management letter comments were discussed for 2017 and report will be approved in September 2018. Bob Dietz and Council thanked the staff for their incredible effort during the Audit.

Budget: Presentation at Annual Conference – Judy Colorado presenting.

Investments: Investment results as of May 11, 2018 is 2.3% YTD.

Local Church: Jack Scharf, sub-committee chair discussed the Group Purchasing initiative and the formation of a Local Church Financial Support Team.

Personnel: No report. Ruth London accepted to be chair of the sub-committee.

Shared Ministry and Accountability: David Yamoah, sub-committee chair discussed the pamphlet sent to all churches on Shared Ministry that was edited by Communications and Episcopal Office.

Review of Auditor's Comments: See Accounting and Auditing.

Stanhope UMC Request: Council discussed and recommended the ten year plan as presented. Motioned, David Mertz. Seconded Michael Ernst. Motion approved.

Neill Tolboom offered the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted - John F. Cardillo, Treasurer
For Janice Sutton Lynn, Secretary

2018 Receipts Comparison
Greater New Jersey Annual Conference

Fd #	Funds	2016			2017			2018		
		Budget	Aug YTD	%Budget	Budget	Aug YTD	%Budget	Budget	Aug YTD	%Budget
Shared Ministry Funds										
100	Clergy Support	5,319,436	2,514,804	47.28%	4,942,160	2,379,235	48.14%	4,643,201	2,198,293	47.34%
200	Administration	2,853,078	1,645,197	57.66%	3,263,083	1,846,344	56.58%	3,256,928	1,912,194	58.71%
300	WorldService/Conf.Ben.	3,765,928	1,710,619	45.42%	3,727,535	1,713,311	45.96%	3,469,096	1,639,764	47.27%
410	Black College	197,700	94,609	47.85%	199,222	100,286	50.34%	176,579	89,423	50.64%
420	Africa University	44,256	22,142	50.03%	44,585	22,995	51.57%	39,517	24,626	62.32%
430	Ministerial Education	495,598	229,969	46.40%	499,439	244,619	48.98%	393,973	195,896	49.72%
	Subtotal	12,675,996	6,217,340	49.05%	12,676,024	6,306,789	49.75%	11,979,294	6,060,195	50.59%
	Prior Yr. Shared Ministry		9,879			5,232			96,752	
Billing Funds										
	CRSP	2,565,097	1,396,346	54.44%	2,530,577	1,395,802	55.16%	2,579,671	1,351,043	52.37%
	2017/Prior Year CRSP	201,461	40,582		183,195	18,002		230,497	33,360	
	Prior Years CRSP	1,806,657	10,581		1,912,748	14,298		2,017,054	84,003	
	Total CRSP	4,573,215	1,447,508	31.65%	4,626,519	1,428,102	30.87%	4,827,222	1,468,405	30.42%
	Comp. Protection Plan	579,599	325,205	56.11%	538,248	300,760	55.88%	545,517	287,897	52.78%
	2017/Prior Year CPP	49,906	9,108		41,680	5,774		46,455	8,521	
	Prior Years CPP	384,986	2,607		412,767	3,923		433,701	23,710	
	Total CPP	1,014,491	336,920	33.21%	992,695	310,458	31.27%	1,025,673	320,128	31.21%
	Property/Liab. Insurance	3,272,586	1,747,969	53.41%	3,502,838	1,905,033	54.39%	3,468,921	1,840,133	53.05%
	2017/Prior Year P/L	285,459	50,639		249,262	50,149		352,261	48,035	
	Prior Years P/L Insurance	1,836,095	76,201		1,955,452	27,803		2,072,854	86,573	
	Total P/L Ins.	5,394,140	1,874,810	34.76%	5,707,552	1,982,985	34.74%	5,894,037	1,974,741	33.50%
	Health Insurance	3,896,133	2,258,950	57.98%	3,766,883	2,130,862	56.57%	3,956,680	2,160,379	54.60%
	2017/Prior Yr Health Ins	352,028	55,329		266,389	28,941		320,293	54,041	
	P/Ys Health Insurance	2,827,528	5,891		3,046,376	22,514		3,195,653	152,018	
	Total Health Ins.	7,075,689	2,320,170	32.79%	7,079,647	2,182,316	30.83%	7,472,625	2,366,438	31.67%
	Workers Comp Ins	618,746	561,142	90.69%	609,143	552,945	90.77%	624,587	559,283	89.54%
	2017 Workers Comp	32,162	18,293		24,922	10,176		19,724	4,568	
	Prior Years Workers Comp	104,178	4,639		114,121	1,736		127,935	5,610	
	Total Workers Comp Ins	755,086	584,074	77.35%	748,186	564,858	75.50%	772,245	569,461	73.74%
	Total Shared Min. & Billing	31,488,618	12,790,700	40.62%	31,830,623	12,780,739	40.15%	31,971,096	12,856,120	40.21%
	Special Giving	0	482,611		0	324,036		0	398,860	
	GRAND TOTAL	31,488,618	13,273,311		31,830,623	13,104,775		31,971,096	13,254,980	

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GNJAC
Analysis of Shared Ministry Giving Rate
As of 08/31/18

<u>Shared Ministry 2018 vs. 2017</u>								
	Budget 2018	Actual 2018 YTD	% Collected YTD	Budget 2017	Actual 2017 YTD	% Collected YTD	Collections Variance Over/(Under)	% Variance Over/(Under)
Clergy Support Administration	\$4,543,201.00	\$2,246,098.84	49.44%	\$4,842,160.00	\$2,298,042.75	47.46%	(\$1,943.91)	1.98%
World Service/Conference Benevolences	\$2,453,928.00	\$1,204,187.87	49.07%	\$2,665,601.00	\$1,218,540.60	45.71%	(\$14,352.73)	3.36%
Black College	\$3,469,096.00	\$1,680,111.20	48.43%	\$3,727,535.00	\$1,674,592.88	44.92%	\$5,518.32	3.51%
Africa University	\$176,579.00	\$89,589.32	50.74%	\$199,222.00	\$97,829.15	49.11%	(\$8,239.83)	1.63%
Ministerial Education	\$39,517.00	\$24,530.34	62.08%	\$44,585.00	\$22,463.05	50.38%	\$2,067.29	11.69%
	\$393,973.00	\$196,268.91	49.82%	\$499,439.00	\$239,312.64	47.92%	(\$43,043.73)	1.90%
Total	\$11,076,294.00	\$5,440,786.48	49.12%	\$11,978,542.00	\$5,550,781.07	46.34%	(\$109,994.59)	2.78%

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**GREATER NJ ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
August 31, 2018**

ASSETS	TREASURERS		TRUSTEES		ED SOCIETY		CONSOLIDATED	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,190,524	\$ 1,317,094					\$ 1,190,524	\$ 1,317,094
Accounts Receivable	1,002,633	1,047,944					1,002,633	1,047,944
Loans receivable net allowance	642,113	590,191	666,281	727,541	78,511	73,811	1,386,905	1,391,543
Pledge Receivable	736,213	450,520					736,213	450,520
Prepaid Expenses	62,163	29,030	197,826	145,652			259,989	174,682
General Board of Pensions	929,241	340,374					929,241	340,374
Investments	11,774,897	10,579,011	7,448,413	5,527,150	77,632	77,632	19,300,942	16,183,793
Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trusts			354,288	299,105			354,288	299,105
Property and Equipment			8,800,288	9,403,584			8,800,288	9,403,584
Total Assets	\$ 16,337,784	\$ 14,354,164	\$ 17,467,096	\$ 16,103,032	\$ 156,143	\$ 151,443	\$ 33,961,023	\$ 30,608,639

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 3,136,159	\$ 1,662,306	2,250	2,250			\$ 3,138,409	\$ 1,664,556
Grants Payable	0	0					0	0
Post-retirement employee benefit obligation	58,018,509	65,699,205					58,018,509	65,699,205
Due to Educational Society	26,339	23,269			(26,339)	(23,269)	0	0
Due to Trustees	(35,368)	(160,603)	35,368	160,603			0	0
Due to Camps	326,690	746,690					326,690	746,690
Total Liabilities	61,472,329	67,970,867	37,618	162,853	(26,339)	(23,269)	61,483,608	68,110,451
Net Assets:								
Unrestricted	\$ (46,298,143)	\$ (54,571,064)	16,215,943	14,998,341			\$ (30,082,200)	\$ (39,572,723)
Temporarily restricted	1,163,598	954,361	525,168	306,655	182,482	174,712	1,871,248	1,435,728
Permanently restricted	0	0	688,367	635,183	0	0	688,367	635,183
Total Net Assets	(45,134,545)	(53,616,703)	17,429,478	15,940,179	182,482	174,712	(27,522,585)	(37,501,812)
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 16,337,784	\$ 14,354,164	\$ 17,467,096	\$ 16,103,032	\$ 156,143	\$ 151,443	\$ 33,961,023	\$ 30,608,639

Budget vs Actual
as of August 31,2018

<u>INCOME:</u>		2018 Budget	Expected Budget	YTD		Variance
				Trended Budget	August 2018 Actual	
Fund 100 Remittance	DO ,Clergy Support	4,543,201	4,095,817	2,389,227	2,246,098	143,129
	Centenary Fund Current Year	100,000	100,000	0	0	0
Fund 200 Remittance	Administration	2,453,928	2,208,535	1,288,312	1,204,188	84,124
Fund 300 Remittance	World Service/Conference Benevolences	3,469,096	3,122,186	1,821,275	1,680,111	141,164
Fund 410	Black College	176,579	158,921	92,704	89,589	3,115
Fund 420	Africa University	39,517	35,565	20,746	24,530	(3,784)
Fund 430	Ministerial Education	393,973	354,576	206,836	196,269	10,567
Fund 901	Budget Reserve	803,000	1,184,935	0	0	0
Total Budget Income (I,II,III, IV)		11,979,294	11,260,536	5,819,100	5,440,785	378,315
<u>EXPENSE:</u>						
I. CLERGY SUPPORT						
A.	District Superintendents Salary, Benefits & Office Exp.	1,815,384	1,706,461	1,137,641	1,086,715	50,926
B.	Episcopal Fund	423,919	398,484	265,656	265,656	(0)
C.	Conference Share of Bishop's Housing	29,931	28,135	18,757	18,757	(0)
D.	Annuitants Health Insurance & Benefits	2,315,201	2,176,289	1,450,859	1,450,859	0
E.	Equitable Compensation	175,532	165,000	110,000	65,277	44,723
F.	Conference Board of Ordained Ministry admin expenses	45,615	42,878	28,585	28,585	0
G.	Bridge Fund	38,298	36,000	24,000	3,856	20,144
Sub-total for CLERGY SUPPORT		4,843,880	4,553,247	3,035,498	2,919,705	115,793
II. ADMINISTRATION						
A.	Conference Council on Finance and Administration expenses	4,255	4,000	2,666	743	1,923
B.	Director of Administrative Services expenses	182,959	171,981	114,654	66,652	48,002
C.	Director of Communication and Development	182,959	171,981	114,654	106,027	8,627
D.	Other conference administrative agencies' expenses	1,637,986	1,539,707	1,026,471	843,329	183,142
E.	Conf. Sessions	256,905	241,491	241,491	239,592	1,899
F.	Episcopal Area Office Supplement	156,253	146,878	97,919	97,919	(0)
G.	Bishop's Discretionary Fund	10,638	10,000	6,666	6,666	0
H.	Jurisdictional conference administrative apport & related exp.	40,426	38,000	25,334	25,334	(0)
I.	General Administration Fund	169,976	159,777	106,518	106,518	0
J.	Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	37,812	35,543	23,696	23,696	(0)
Sub-total for ADMINISTRATION		2,680,169	2,519,359	1,760,069	1,516,476	243,593
CLERGY SUPPORT/ADMINISTRATION (fund 100 & 200)		7,524,049	7,072,606	4,795,568	4,436,181	359,387
III. WORLD SERVICE AND CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES						
A.	World Service Fund	1,431,479	1,345,590	897,060	897,060	0
B.	Director of Connectional Ministry	160,612	150,975	100,650	100,305	345
C.	Non-Cabinet Staff (6)	888,932	835,596	557,064	512,998	44,066
D.	Administrative expenses - directly related to the above III.B,C,	218,085	205,000	136,667	135,215	1,452
E.	Connectional Table Budget	940,886	884,433	589,622	532,837	56,785
F.	Supplemental Strategic Salary Support	148,936	140,000	93,333	92,333	1,000
Sub-total for WORLD SERVICE/CONF.BEN. (fund 300)		3,788,930	3,561,594	2,374,396	2,270,748	103,648
IV. OTHER APPORTIONED FUNDS						
A.	Black College Fund (fund 410)	192,859	181,287	120,858	120,858	0
B.	Africa University Fund (fund 420)	43,161	40,571	27,048	27,048	(0)
C.	Ministerial Education Fund (fund 430)	430,295	404,477	269,652	269,652	(0)
Sub-total for OTHER FUNDS		666,315	626,336	417,557	417,558	(1)
TOTAL EXPENSE (I,II,III, IV)		11,979,294	11,260,536	7,587,521	7,124,487	463,034
Net Budgeted Actual				(1,768,421)	(1,683,702)	84,719
Non-Budget Income				9,932,776		
Non-Budget Expense				10,292,605		
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)				(2,043,531)		

Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
Non-Budgeted Funds Summary as of August 31, 2018 YTD

Description	Beginning Balance	Credits	Debits	Net	Ending Balance
Unrestricted/Designated					
124 Health Ins-Nonannuitants Reserve	63,551.71	3,636,126.31	4,168,590.00	(532,463.69)	(468,911.98)
125 Dental Insurance Reserve	50,265.82	82,612.72	116,135.55	(33,522.83)	16,742.99
127 Post Retiree Health Insurance Reserve	7,741,352.19	500,000.00	407,697.37	92,302.63	7,833,654.82
500 General Church Advance Specials	-	87,107.18	83,120.70	3,986.48	3,986.48
515 Conference Advance Specials	-	16,701.26	7,847.26	8,854.00	8,854.00
520 Special Giving Fund	-	61,561.91	53,644.41	7,917.50	7,917.50
600 World Service Specials	-	-	-	-	-
604 Ignite Weekend Reserve	4,113.89	73,315.00	14,943.61	58,371.39	62,485.28
605 Youth Service Fund	3,675.14	-	-	-	3,675.14
609 Peace with Justice Reserve	5,957.05	9,011.00	2,004.00	7,007.00	12,964.05
610 UM Student Day Reserve	-	1,565.00	1,343.00	222.00	222.00
612 Christian Ed. Sunday Reserve	18,326.27	30.00	-	30.00	18,356.27
615 Disability Awareness Sunday	1,074.00	-	-	-	1,074.00
680 Misc. Benevolence Reserve	2,302.34	61,995.96	61,515.36	480.60	2,782.94
681 Hope School Israel	9,736.00	-	9,736.00	(9,736.00)	-
683 Wesley Foundation- Rutgers	65,598.00	-	10,462.58	(10,462.58)	55,135.42
687 Global Aids Fund (GCFA)	11,803.61	150.00	-	150.00	11,953.61
706 Conam	60,751.67	10,207.08	4,810.37	5,396.71	66,148.38
707 Next Generation Ministries	195,582.43	4,876.00	81,688.08	(76,812.08)	118,770.35
708 GNJ Korean Partners in Ministry	-	43,091.00	-	43,091.00	43,091.00
710 Church/Kingdom Builder Reserve	5,743.32	-	-	-	5,743.32
732 Bishop's Convocation	10,650.87	15,600.00	5,000.00	10,600.00	21,250.87
765 Maker's Place	-	18,625.40	13,987.29	4,638.11	4,638.11
771 Lay Servant Ministry	25,415.51	7,015.00	6,964.99	50.01	25,465.52
781 Permanent Loan Fund Reserve	319,741.51	-	-	-	319,741.51
790 Mosaic UMC	14,255.49	22,400.00	26,510.88	(4,110.88)	10,144.61
791 Team Vital	177.82	10,500.00	9,900.00	600.00	777.82
873 Tumethca Investment Reserve	499,694.79	-	72,051.17	(72,051.17)	427,643.62
874 Capital Maint. Investment Reserve	297,628.58	-	47,628.58	(47,628.58)	250,000.00
892 Sustentation Fund Reserve	14,946.33	-	-	-	14,946.33
901 Budget Reserve	1,300,891.80	25,364.58	5,600.69	19,763.89	1,320,655.69
916 Post Retirement Fund Reserve	(65,699,205.00)	-	-	-	(65,699,205.00)
950 Property Ins./Claims Account Reserve	610,336.02	2,544,201.76	2,816,677.44	(272,475.68)	337,860.34
952 Pension General Fund Reserve	2,880,184.51	373,174.91	339,672.13	33,502.78	2,913,687.29
954 Pension Current Service Fund Reserve	(659,107.40)	1,688,533.10	2,178,169.62	(489,636.52)	(1,148,743.92)
Temporarily Restricted					
625 GNJ Sandy Relief Fund	-	-	-	-	-
636 Miracles Everywhere Campaign	3,000.00	529,246.36	35,057.03	494,189.33	497,189.33
638 A Future with Hope Mission Fund	40,969.00	39,067.42	36,585.07	2,482.35	43,451.35
688 National Hispanic Plan	106,831.99	-	-	-	106,831.99
763 Yobel Korean UMC Fund	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	(2,500.00)	-
802 Skylands District Union	-	375.00	-	375.00	375.00
803 Palisades District Union	154.37	10,124.00	1,000.00	9,124.00	9,278.37
804 Northern Shore District Union	1,557.87	-	-	-	1,557.87
805 Capital District Union	1,100.00	-	-	-	1,100.00
806 Raritan Valley District Union	8,588.35	198.00	1,500.00	(1,302.00)	7,286.35
807 Cape Atlantic District Union	4,032.98	-	-	-	4,032.98
808 Delaware Bay District Union	200.00	-	-	-	200.00
809 Gateway North District Union	21,094.91	-	700.00	(700.00)	20,394.91
810 Raritan Valley District Union-Youth / Young Adults	1,159.00	-	-	-	1,159.00
848 GBGM Carry-Over 09/11	7,703.80	-	-	-	7,703.80
870 Conference Grant Refunds	50,492.18	60,000.00	18,553.26	41,446.74	91,938.92
879 Friends of Old Estellville Methodist Church	42,872.52	-	42,872.52	(42,872.52)	-
905 Interest Reserve	-	-	-	-	-

GREATER NJ ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Educational Society Fund Balance
August 31, 2018

Balance Forward		175,483
Receipts:		
Investments		
Grants	15,000	
Contributions	152	
Investment Income	1,078	
Loan Interest Income	0	
	<u>16,230</u>	
Disbursements:		
Earned Scholarships	17,000	
Provision for Uncollectible Loans	0	
Management and Other Expense	0	
	<u>17,000</u>	
Change in Operation		<u>(770)</u>
Ending Balance 08/31/18		<u><u>174,713</u></u>

**TRUSTEE ACCOUNTS
YTD- OCTOBER 2018**

Acct	Description	Jan-18	Income / DR	Expense / CR	10/31/2018
ASSETS					
000/11500	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
000/11550	DUE FROM GREATER NJ ANNUAL CONF	(51,127.96)	1,400,000.00	1,509,475.43	(160,603.39)
000/11555	DUE FROM GREATER NJ ANNUAL CONF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
000/12000	PRE-PAID EXPENSES-FIRST UMC BELMAR	171,739.00	0.00	26,087.00	145,652.00
000/14110	WESPATH INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	5,332,569.87	0.00	1,400,000.00	3,932,569.87
000/14140	UM FOUNDATION	2,594,580.37	0.00	1,000,000.00	1,594,580.37
000/14150	UM FOUNDATION INVEST INCOME REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		8,047,761.28	1,400,000.00	3,935,562.43	5,512,198.85
000/15133	BRADLEY BEACH UMC	0.00	123,410.64	0.00	123,410.64
000/15134	RIVERSIDE UMC	20,200.00	0.00	13,200.00	7,000.00
000/15150	CARNEYS POINT UMC	114,090.72	0.00	9,067.66	105,023.06
000/15160	GOSHEN UMC	17,998.08	0.00	17,998.08	0.00
000/15170	COLLINGSWOOD UMC	307,052.62	0.00	7,020.92	300,031.70
000/15175	CAMP YDP	40,000.04	0.00	6,666.54	33,333.50
000/15180	RESPOND INC.	158,742.16	0.00	0.00	158,742.16
		658,083.62	123,410.64	53,953.20	727,541.06
000/17109	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	149,577.36	0.00	0.00	149,577.36
000/17110	CONFERENCE BUILDINGS	8,803,251.03	651,746.00	0.00	9,454,997.03
000/17115	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION-BUILDINGS	(2,005,724.54)	0.00	0.00	(2,005,724.54)
000/17130	CONFERENCE LAND	1,322,831.84	210,000.00	0.00	1,532,831.84
000/17140	FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT	226,854.51	0.00	0.00	226,854.51
000/17145	ACCUM DEPREC-FURNITURE, FIX, & EQUIP	(55,665.00)	0.00	0.00	(55,665.00)
000/17150	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE	154,644.08	13,910.00	0.00	168,554.08
000/17155	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION- COMPUTER	(67,840.91)	0.00	0.00	(67,840.91)
		8,527,928.37	875,656.00	0.00	9,403,584.37
000/18150	GOLDSMITH ESTATE BENEFICIAL INT 100%	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
000/18170	SLOCUM BENEFICIAL INT 100%	90,438.59	0.00	90,438.59	0.00
000/18180	DREW BENEFICIAL INT 100%	140,126.40	0.00	0.00	140,126.40
000/18300	BARD TRUST 33%	128,978.67	0.00	0.00	128,978.67
		389,543.66	0.00	90,438.59	299,105.07
	TOTAL ASSETS	17,623,316.93	2,399,066.64	4,079,954.22	15,942,429.35

**TRUSTEE ACCOUNTS
YTD- OCTOBER 2018**

Acct	Description	Jan-18	Income / DR	Expense / CR	10/31/2018
LIABILITIES					
000/21100	DEFERRED RENTAL INCOME	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
000/21125	SECURITY DEPOSIT WRIGHTSTOWN	2,250.00	0.00	0.00	2,250.00
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,250.00	0.00	0.00	2,250.00
NET ASSETS					
Unrestricted Net Assets					
000/30105	CONF BD. OF TRUSTEES FUND	21,684.93	178,895.00	245,030.70	(44,450.77)
000/30147	JERSEY CITY DEVELOPMENT	(100,393.31)	0.00	7,500.60	(107,893.91)
000/30187	CAPITAL MAINT. RESERVE FUND BALANCE	1,399,519.66	63,870.95	354,752.60	1,108,638.01
000/30191	INVESTED IN PLANT FUND BALANCE	4,591,425.40	0.00	26,087.00	4,565,338.40
000/30192	1ST UMC HIGHLANDS	(286,336.14)	0.00	8,670.16	(295,006.30)
000/30193	CADWALDER ASBURY UMC	(145,926.49)	39,998.25	25,445.41	(131,373.65)
000/30194	WRIGHTSTOWN	45,177.93	10,501.88	2,076.34	53,603.47
000/30195	AVON UMC	0.00	1,250,000.00	1,250,000.00	0.00
000/30196	TANNERY FALLS PROPERTY	(38,776.00)	41,285.68	2,509.68	0.00
000/30201	KENILWORTH/SPRINGFIELD UMC	0.00	0.00	175,202.07	(175,202.07)
000/30202	MT HERMON	4,911.10	0.00	0.00	4,911.10
000/30207	GARNERSVILLE	(2,368.43)	0.00	212,566.74	(214,935.17)
000/30209	BILLINGSPOUR UMC	0.00	0.00	4,011.41	(4,011.41)
000/30230	GBGM TRUST FOR LAKEWOOD UMC FUND BAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
000/30232	BROAD ST - MILLVILLE	219,558.19	10,764.05	13,842.96	216,479.28
000/30237	WEST PORTAL UMC	(36,138.64)	0.00	4,304.45	(40,443.09)
000/30239	GLADSTONE UMC	52,817.04	17,300.00	11,126.99	58,990.05
000/30240	WINDSOR UMC	(77,831.57)	0.00	24,751.64	(102,583.21)
000/30242	McCREA MEMORIAL UMC	52,573.48	3,900.00	18,359.82	38,113.66
000/30244	ANDERSON UMC	(65,443.78)	0.00	25,443.27	(90,887.05)
000/30247	ALPINE COMMUNITY UMC	(295,943.29)	7,500.00	128,228.51	(416,671.80)
000/30249	FIRST SALEM UMC	(69,478.62)	9,000.00	31,332.65	(91,811.27)
000/30250	CENTRE SQUARE UMC	(31,652.01)	0.00	4,941.28	(36,593.29)
000/30251	JOHNSONBURG UMC	(21,500.52)	0.00	1,802.88	(23,303.40)
000/30345	ARCHIVES & HISTORY	8,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
000/30895	MRC BUILDING	70,023.49	102,132.51	186,099.61	(13,943.61)
000/30898	INTEREST RESERVE	681,777.37	0.00	586,971.24	94,806.13
		5,975,679.79	1,736,148.32	3,351,058.01	4,360,770.10
Permanently Restricted - Held by Third Parties					
000/31117	GOLDSMITH - HELD BY THIRD PARTY	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
000/31224	ESTATE FUNDS-HELD BY THIRD PARTIES	142,657.57	0.00	0.00	142,657.57
000/31387	BARD TRUST-HELD BY THIRD PARTY	128,978.67	0.00	0.00	128,978.67
000/31314	SLOCUM TRUST HELD BY THIRD PARTY	90,438.59	0.00	90,438.59	0.00
		392,074.83	0.00	90,438.59	301,636.24
Permanently Restricted					
000/31180	DEACONESS ENDOW FUND BALANCE	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
000/31304	CONF SCHOLARSHIP RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	118,915.00	0.00	0.00	118,915.00
000/31306	GLADING RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
000/31312	SEESE RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	28,767.02	0.00	0.00	28,767.02
000/31318	GOORLEY RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
000/31320	URBAN SCHOLARSHIP RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
000/31322	KAPPLER RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00
000/31380	FULLMAN MEMORIAL RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	4,500.00
000/31382	AUGUSTIN-SMITH ENDOWMENT RESTRICTED	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
000/31384	NANCY BELSKY RESTRICTED	6,365.00	0.00	0.00	6,365.00
		333,547.02	0.00	0.00	333,547.02

**TRUSTEE ACCOUNTS
YTD- OCTOBER 2018**

Acct	Description	Jan-18	Income / DR	Expense / CR	10/31/2018
Board Designated					
000/32100	HARVEST MISSION FUND CORPUS	9,931,299.01	11,351.29	0.00	9,942,650.30
000/32101	HARVEST MISSION FUND	4,423.57	461,228.14	309,420.00	156,231.71
000/32110	STRATEGIC DISCIPL E MAKING FUND	353,837.56	19,828.55	237,883.00	135,783.11
000/32896	EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE	93,523.13	309,382.48	0.00	402,905.61
		10,383,083.27	801,790.46	547,303.00	10,637,570.73
Temporarily Restricted					
000/33118	GOLDSMITH FUND BALANCE	5,551.56	0.00	0.00	5,551.56
000/33181	DEACONESS ACCUMULATED INCOME RESERVE	45,491.45	2,593.06	0.00	48,084.51
000/33225	ESTATE FUNDS-DREW /KIMBLE/ FREDRICH	117,594.06	3,575.00	121,169.06	0.00
000/33305	CONF. SCHOLARSHIP FUND BALANCE	2,324.05	5,945.75	8,200.00	69.80
000/33307	GLADING TRUST FUND BALANCE	4,983.41	700.16	0.00	5,683.57
000/33309	MADDOCK TRUST FUND BALANCE	147,465.21	6,890.90	0.00	154,356.11
000/33313	SEESE SCHOLARSHIP FUND BALANCE	815.71	1,401.06	0.00	2,216.77
000/33315	SLOCUM TRUST FUND BALANCE	105,714.77	0.00	105,714.77	0.00
000/33319	GOORLEY FUND BALANCE	5,769.38	503.24	0.00	6,272.62
000/33321	URBAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND BALANCE	16,614.55	2,178.25	0.00	18,792.80
000/33323	KAPPLER SCHOLARSHIP FUND BALANCE	407.30	1,000.00	1,000.00	407.30
000/33325	EMILY GARRISON NURSE SCHOLARSHIP	8,790.32	504.22	6,500.00	2,794.54
000/33330	ETHEL SNYDER/INEZ IRONS BOOK SCHOLARSHIP	4,715.49	500.72	5,175.00	41.21
000/33335	FRANCES NELSON SCHOLARSHIP	67,246.56	3,282.55	12,000.00	58,529.11
000/33338	STETSER SCHOLARSHIP	1,237.50	57.83	0.00	1,295.33
000/33381	FULLMAN MEMORIAL SUSTENTATION FUND	1,515.15	281.08	0.00	1,796.23
000/33383	AUGUSTIN-SMITH ENDOWMENT	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
000/33385	NANCY BELSKY	445.55	318.25	0.00	763.80
		536,682.02	34,732.07	0.00	306,655.26
Income Distribution					
900/41492	MISC INTEREST & DIVIDENDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
900/41493	UM FOUNDATION INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
900/41495	BOA / BANK OF NY EARNINGS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
900/41500	INCOME DISTRIBUTION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		17,623,316.93	2,572,670.85	3,988,799.60	15,942,429.35

Harvest Mission Fund Corpus
 Schedule of Additions
 01/01/06-Present

Description	Amount
Original Resolution-Consolidation of Funds	\$3,803,216.82
Church Sale of Trinity UMC-Clifton NJ	\$1,563,454.73
Church Sale of Westside UMC-Paterson NJ	\$699,082.49
Church Sale of St Pauls-Nyack NY	\$1,004,171.87
Church Sale of Friendship UMC-Landisville NJ	\$68,907.09
Applied Behavioral Legal Case-Nyack	\$187,567.36
Church Sale of Kinnelon UMC-Kinnelon NJ	\$774,164.13
Church Sale of Monroeville UMC-Monroeville NJ	\$150,640.31
Church Sale of Hilton UMC-Maplewood NJ	\$359,327.56
Church Sale of Highland Park UMC-Highland Park NJ	\$107,090.29
Church Sale of Finesville UMC	\$32,614.58
Church Sale of Conovertown UMC	\$48,735.53
Church Sale of Goshen UMC	\$21,054.80
Church Sale of Old Orchards UMC	(\$93,948.19)
Church Sale of Barnegat UMC	\$800,878.64
Church Sale of Frances Childs UMC	\$262,379.60
Church Sale of Carney's Point UMC	\$153,312.69
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Balance-08/31/18	<u>\$9,942,650.30</u>

**Harvest Mission Fund
Schedule of Expenses as of 08/18**

**Total Funds
Invested
As of 08/18**

**Total Funds
Expended
As of 08/18**

**Balance
As of
8/31/2018**

Grand Total

\$4,645,334.92

\$4,489,103.21

\$156,231.71

**Strategic Disciple Making Initiative Fund
Schedule of Expenses as of 08/18**

**Total Funds
Invested
As of 08/18**

**Total Funds
Expended
As of 08/18**

**Balance
As of
8/31/2018**

Grand Total

\$1,539,890.89

\$1,404,107.78

\$135,783.11

****Original Corpus
Cumulative Interest & Additions
Total**

\$800,000.00

\$739,890.89

\$1,539,890.89

Harvest Mission Fund
 Schedule of Expenditures
 As of 08/31/18

	Amount	
Cumulative Expenses- As of 12/31/17		\$4,179,683.21
Asbury UMC	\$20,000.00	
Bridgewater UMC	\$37,000.00	
Clair Memorial UMC	\$3,500.00	
Cranford UMC	\$6,200.00	
Ferry Ave. UMC	\$17,000.00	
First UMC Bridgeton	\$15,000.00	
First UMC Dover	\$5,000.00	
First UMC Mays Landing	\$5,000.00	
First UMC Millville	\$4,000.00	
First UMC Montclair	\$4,000.00	
First UMC Williamstown	\$5,000.00	
Franklin St. Johns UMC	\$7,500.00	
Grace Bethel UMC	\$4,000.00	
Kingston UMC	\$10,000.00	
Korean Community UMC	\$10,000.00	
Middletown UMC	\$14,500.00	
Midland Park UMC	\$2,400.00	
Ridgewood UMC	\$5,000.00	
St Marks UMC	\$26,000.00	
Thelms Garnerville UMC	\$2,000.00	
UMC of Franklin Lakes	\$4,320.00	
UMC of Red Bank	\$8,800.00	
Venice Park UMC	\$10,000.00	
Wesley UMC	\$20,000.00	
Green House Church	\$20,000.00	
Multiplication Cohort Funding	\$26,250.00	
Bethesda UMC	\$2,000.00	
Hillsdale UMC	\$8,950.00	
Mt Zion Wesley UMC	\$6,000.00	
Total Cumulative Expenses-2018	<hr/>	<u>\$309,420.00</u>
Grand Total		<u><u>\$4,489,103.21</u></u>

Strategic Disciple Making Initiative Fund
Schedule of Expenditures
As of 08/31/18

	Amount	
Cumulative Expenses- As of 12/31/17		\$1,166,224.78
Asbury UMC	\$1,350.00	
Browns Mill UMC	\$2,133.00	
First UMC Ridgefield Park	\$21,500.00	
Hamilton UMC	\$10,000.00	
Morristown UMC	\$11,500.00	
Porchtown Zion UMC	\$10,000.00	
St Pauls UMC	\$20,000.00	
UMC of Red Bank	\$1,200.00	
New Hope UMC Millville	\$5,200.00	
Hope UMC Vorrhes	\$70,000.00	
Clinton UMC	\$75,000.00	
First UMC Bridgeton	\$1,000.00	
John Wesley Bridgeton	\$1,000.00	
St Johns UMC Fordsville	\$2,000.00	
Trinity UMC Bridgeton	\$1,000.00	
Ridgewood UMC	\$5,000.00	
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Total Cumulative Expenses-2018		<u>\$237,883.00</u>
Grand Total		<u><u>\$1,404,107.78</u></u>

**GNJAC
Wespath Investment Account
Balance-08/30/2018**

Balance-08/30/18 **\$15,047,464.00**

2018 Activity-

Balance-08/30/18	\$15,047,464.00
Deposits- 2018	(\$3,528,246.00)
Withdrawals-2018	\$5,700,000.00
Balance-01/01/18	(\$16,670,784.00)
Investment Income-2018	<u>\$548,434.00</u>

Balance-01/01/18 **\$16,670,784.00**

Investment Income-2018	<u>\$548,434.00</u>
Balance-01/01/18	\$16,670,784.00

3.2% Investment Return-2018

**GNJAC
Proposed Dobbins Memorial UMC Repayment Plan
9/15/2018**

Total Debt **\$29,920.00**

Monthly Payment **\$167.00**

Yearly Payment **\$2,004.00**

Year 1 **\$2,004.00**

Year 2 **\$2,004.00**

Year 3 **\$2,004.00**

Year 4 **\$2,004.00**

Year 5 **\$2,004.00**

Year 6 **\$2,004.00**

Year 7 **\$2,004.00**

Year 8 **\$2,004.00**

Year 9 **\$2,004.00**

Year 10 **\$2,004.00**

Total Yearly Payments **\$20,040.00**

Forgiveness-09/15/2028 **\$9,880.00**

John Cardillo

From: Gina Hendrickson
Sent: Wednesday, May 9, 2018 7:55 AM
To: John Cardillo
Cc: 'Chuck Mitchell'
Subject: DS Recommendation for Debt Forgiveness Consideration for Dobbins Memorial UMC

John,

I write to you as the covering DS for Capital District and the Dobbins Memorial UMC in Delanco, NJ. I have been in conversation with their current pastor, Rev. Chuck Mitchell and reviewed their financial and statistical history.

I would recommend CFA consider their request. They have a strong history of paying 100% of their shared ministry and benefits, with the exception of a few years. Their current leadership is strong, connectional and I have every confidence will keep growing the vitality of this congregation, including increased financial stability.

They will work a plan to repay any past debt, while maintaining 100%. I affirm their request and ask CFA to prayerfully consider their request.

Blessings,
Gina Hendrickson

Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson
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Dobbins Memorial United Methodist Church

330 UNION AVENUE
DELANCO, NEW JERSEY 08075

Dear Conference Treasurer,

Since my arrival at Dobbins Memorial United Methodist Church in 2015, we have returned to paying our shared ministries in full, and the check enclosed is for our billings in 2017.

First, let me extend my apologies for the late arrival of this check. Our previous treasurer was very guarded with our accounts. In other words, she did not pay bills on time, allowed bills to lapse into collections, and in turn brought the integrity of our church into question. In August 2017, we made a change in our treasurer's position, and now we have Karen Eder in this role who is more capable and better equipped to handle the demands of this very important role.

Secondly, with my transition into role as pastor at Dobbins Memorial UMC in 2015, I did not realize, and yes, I know that I receive the same email as the treasurer, that 2014 and 2015 were not paid. Please understand, that when I arrived at Dobbins, my predecessor, Rev. Don Knott left much our ministries and finances in a state of disrepair. I know that we have a covenant with our colleagues in ministry, but his lack of attention and leadership with our finances and ministries ensured that the billing, his health insurance and pension, were not paid. His lack of attention angers me; that he would leave this for the next clergy person to handle. Quite honestly, I believe that this is unfair. I believe that he should have taken care of this before his departure, since we have a covenantal connection with our clergy colleagues. Now, we have to take our offerings, tithe, and gifts that should go to shared ministries, ministry in our church and in our community of Delanco to pay down these billings.

I am asking you that these billings from 2014 and 2015 be forgiven, that we would be released from our debt of \$29,920.26 as a result of the ministry of Rev. Don Knott. His lack of attention and leadership in these matters will affect us negatively. Currently, we are moving forward, positively, and in the right direction with vision, ministry, and increased giving. The members and attenders at Dobbins Memorial UMC have a vision for the present and future of our church: connect to Jesus and one another, grow in their love for Jesus and one another, and serve our community in Jesus' name. They are trying to move forward despite the negative impact on our finances during Rev. Don Knott's ministry and leadership.

Please consider this so we can move forward in the presence of the Holy Spirit for the ministry that Jesus commissioned to provide: "to make disciples of all people."

Sincerely,
Rev. Charles R. Mitchell
330 Union Ave. Delanco, NJ 08075
(856) 461-0058

Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
 The United Methodist Church
 205 Jumping Brook Road
 Neptune NJ 07753

Statement Date: 12/31/2018

Due Date: 1/17/2017

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: ~~32,465.34~~

29920.98

Church Number: 6017

DOBBINS MEMORIAL UMC DELANCO
 330 UNION AVE
 DELANCO NJ 08075-4656

DOBBINS MEMORIAL UMC DELANCO
 330 UNION AVE
 DELANCO NJ 08075-4656

Date	Invoice #	Description	Monthly Amount Due	Invoice Balance
7/10/2014	225599	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
7/10/2014	226981	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
8/1/2014	227717	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
8/1/2014	229093	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
9/2/2014	229929	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
9/2/2014	231301	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
10/1/2014	232117	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
10/1/2014	233480	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
11/3/2014	234230	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
11/3/2014	234790	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
12/1/2014	236300	2014 Property Insurance	416.41	416.41
12/1/2014	237689	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,292.00	1,292.00
12/31/2014	237469	2014 CPP FT: Donald T Knott	901.86	901.86
12/31/2014	237470	2014 CLERGY PEN: Donald T Knott	3,757.80	3,757.80
1/31/2015	241535	2015 PropIns	467.00	467.00
2/3/2015	242092	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
2/4/2015	244113	2015 PropIns	467.00	467.00
2/4/2015	245453	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
3/2/2015	247624	2015 PropertyIns	467.00	467.00
3/2/2015	248988	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
4/1/2015	249713	2015 PropertyIns	467.00	467.00
4/1/2015	251079	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
5/1/2015	252504	2015 PropertyIns	467.00	467.00
5/1/2015	253865	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
6/1/2015	254890	2015 PropertyIns	467.00	467.00
6/1/2015	256246	2015 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - FAMILY: Donald T Knott	1,250.00	1,250.00
12/31/2015	256047	2015 CPP FT: Donald T Knott	911.28	911.28
12/31/2015	256048	2015 CRSP: Donald T Knott	3,796.86	3,796.86
2/1/2017	298711	2017 PropertyIns	575.53	<u><u>29920.98</u></u>
2/16/2018	ck# 5353	Payment--Thank You	-575.53	
2/1/2017	299337	2017 CRSP: Charles R Mitchell	609.97	
2/16/2018	ck# 5353	Payment--Thank You	-609.97	
2/1/2017	299338	2017 CPP FT: Charles R Mitchell	146.39	
2/16/2018	ck# 5353	Payment--Thank You	-146.39	
2/1/2017	300019	2017 Hlth Ins Non-Participation Fee Emplr. - NON P: Charles R Mitchell	1,166.67	

Income and Expense Statement						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Income:						
Local Church Income	172,125	162,871	228	134,552	145,037	160,193
Capital Campaigns/Bequests	-	36,430	-	-	23,947	16,048
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	172,125	199,301	228	134,552	168,984	176,241
Expenses:						
Shared Ministry Assessed	23,457	23,540	23,542	23,107	21,155	20,987
CRSP/CPP Assessed	11,123	11,123	9,319	8,953	8,502	9,076
Health Insurance Assessed *	19,494	15,996	15,504	15,000	14,000	14,000
Property & WC Assessed *	4,856	5,596	5,567	6,097	6,950	7,496
Other Benevolences	-	4,875	5,100	8,338	5,977	5,977
Pastor's Salary	48,100	48,100	48,100	46,211	45,262	46,846
Associate Pastor's Salary	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities and Housing	7,720	4,719	3,527	3,356	18,396	36,000
Acct Reimbursement	2,720	4,537	3,662	1,508	2,221	2,221
Cash Allowances	-	-	-	152	-	-
Salary & Benefits Deacons/Diaconal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staff Compensation	22,950	18,029	19,104	18,255	20,437	20,852
Program Expense	2,420	1,573	4,819	1,992	1,198	1,198
Operating Expenses	25,522	19,700	16,092	20,387	14,017	14,017
Principle and Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expense	4,219	34,680	22,490	4,723	42,177	42,177
Total Expenses	172,581	192,468	176,826	158,079	200,292	220,848
Gain(Loss)	(456)	6,833	(176,598)	(23,527)	(31,308)	(44,607)
Statistics						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Members	151	140	135	135	134	131
Average Attendance	96	90	82	76	90	94
Shared Min Assessed	23,457	23,540	23,542	23,107	21,155	20,987
Shared Ministry Paid	23,457	15,693	23,542	23,107	21,155	20,987
Shared Ministry % Paid	100.00%	66.67%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Pens/Hlth/Prop/WC Assessed *	35,473	32,715	30,390	30,050	29,452	30,573
Pens/Health/Prop/WC Paid	35,473	32,715	15,480	15,040	29,452	30,573
Pens/Health/Prop/WC % Paid *	100.00%	100.00%	50.94%	50.05%	100.00%	100.00%
Identified Givers	75	72	0	0	35	36
Net Assets						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Assets:						
Land, Building, Equipment	1,855,900	1,855,900	1,855,900	1,855,900	1,855,900	1,855,900
Other Assets	28,746	91,616	104,565	104,565	104,565	104,565
Total Assets	1,884,646	1,947,516	1,960,465	1,960,465	1,960,465	1,960,465
Liabilities:						
Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt to Conference	-	5,353	14,910	29,920	29,920	57,404
Total Liabilities	-	5,353	14,910	29,920	29,920	57,404
Net Assets	1,884,646	1,942,163	1,945,555	1,930,545	1,930,545	1,903,061

**GNJAC
Proposed Faith Community UMC Repayment Plan
9/15/2018**

Total Debt **\$34,196.00**

Monthly Payment **\$190.00**

Yearly Payment **\$2,280.00**

Year 1	\$2,280.00	
Year 2	\$2,280.00	
Year 3	\$2,280.00	
Year 4	\$2,280.00	
Year 5	\$2,280.00	
Year 6	\$2,280.00	
Year 7	\$2,280.00	
Year 8	\$2,280.00	
Year 9	\$2,280.00	
Year 10	\$2,280.00	
Total Yearly Payments	\$22,800.00	
Forgiveness-09/15/2028		\$11,396.00

John Cardillo

From: Gina Hendrickson
Sent: Wednesday, May 9, 2018 8:30 AM
To: John Cardillo
Cc: bbw; peaceonearthpilgrim@yahoo.com; Deborah Sidorakis
Subject: DS Recommendation for Debt Forgiveness Consideration for Faith Community UMC of Bayville
Attachments: 2018-05-01 Letter-Debt Forgiveness.pdf

John,

I write to you as the DS for the Faith Community UMC in Bayville, NJ on the Northern Shore District. Since serving as Superintendent over the past four years, I have been in conversation with their pastor, Rev. Rene Pak, and various leaders through their active engagement in Team Vital. Reviewing their financial and statistical history, their leadership's commitment to the connection and their potential for growth and vitality, I would recommend CFA consider their request.

They will work a plan to repay any past debt, while strategically getting to 100% of Shared Ministries. I affirm their request and ask CFA to prayerfully consider it. I believe this will help move this congregation forward as they make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Blessings,
Gina Hendrickson

Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson

District Superintendent, Northern Shore
Covering for Capital District Superintendent Frank Davis
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FAITH COMMUNITY, A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
526 US Route 9
Bayville, New Jersey
COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

May 8, 2018

Attn: Mr. John Carrillo
Conference Treasurer & Director of Administrative Service
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, New Jersey 07753
e-mail: treasurer@gnjumc.org

RE: 100% Debt Forgiveness: for the Years 2012,2013,2014
Faith Community, a United Methodist Church, Bayville, NJ

Dear Mr. Carrillo,

We are writing as a follow up to a meeting Pastor Rene Pak had with you on March 14, 2018. Our Pastor indicated that to have the Past Debts of Faith Community, a United Methodist Church-Bayville (FCUMC) removed, that a letter shall be written to you making such a request. This letter is our request for 100% Debt Forgiveness/Removal for FCUMC-Bayville, for the years: 2012,2013,2014.

The reason this follow up on Debt Removal is coming up at this particular time, is that it has now been 3 years since Pastor Rene Pak first reported to us, as the Council and Finance Committee, about having Debt Removal for FCUMC.

3 years ago, Pastor Rene Pak reported a discussion she had with our District Superintendent (DS) Gina Hendrickson, regarding our Past Billings. In the report given to the Council & Finance Committee, by Pastor Rene Pak, we were advised, as a result of her conversation with the DS, that FCUMC-Bayville should work out an inspirational and motivational plan, to move forward in a positive direction. This specifically to the goal of paying Billings 100% in full for 3 years in a row, being the years 2015, 2016, 2017. In addition, to work towards an attempt to also begin paying towards Shared Ministries. We were led to believe that if we succeeded in paying Billings 100% for 3 years in a row, and started paying towards Shared Ministries, we would be forgiven all Past Billings for the years 2012, 2013 & 2014.

I, as Council Chair, do recall our DS Gina Hendrickson saying that in regards to paying towards the Shared Ministries portion, she would consider such efforts successful if, a positive upward trend was realized, and continued on an upward trend. A trend of working towards increased giving would be great. We at FCUMC welcomed this insight from the DS, and this was certainly a positive factor in aiding our continued efforts and resulting signs of success.

In response, the Council, Finance Committee and Stewardship Committee of FCUMC rolled up their sleeves to proceed with this positive plan of action. The overall Congregation was also brought in to the greater positive forward outlook, and with a clean slate of understanding, and renewed motivation, worked towards better times ahead. The Congregation was positively responsive in the financial vision plan as presented to them, and as was understood through our Pastor.

In our view of where we as a Local Church have progressed, in our 3 year plan, our efforts have been tremendously successful! To illustrate, the following chart is provided indicating trends in: Plate/Offering Gifts received.

FAITH COMMUNITY, A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - BAYVILLE, NJ

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PASTOR</u>	<u>PLATE/OFFERING GIFTS RECEIVED</u>
2006	Charles Soper	\$137,367.53
2007	Charles Soper	\$131,190.56
2008	Charles Soper	\$134,111.76
2009	Charles Soper	\$143,205.39
2010	Charles Soper / Doug Rea	\$124,276.46
2011	Doug Rea	\$109,351.23
2012	Doug Rea	\$96,184.76
2013	Doug Rea	\$81,131.90
2014	Doug Rea / Rene Pak	\$76,170.42
2015	Rene Pak	\$80,669.54
2016	Rene Pak	\$84,819.21
2017	Rene Pak	\$94,847.27

As can be seen, our normal yearly Plate Receipts, went through a period of decreased giving, particularly during the years 2011 to 2014.

To be in open discussion about it, this period of decreased giving, as we at the Local Church (FCUMC) know it to be, was a result of, and what developed into, FCUMC not having the best fit Pastor. The financial results of this, are manifested in the trend from year to year in the amount of Plate Giving: before, during and after, this period (2011-2014).

Please know, we were during that period, in continual discussion with our District Superintendent at that time (Fran Knoll) in regard to both of our concerns for the overall health, both spiritual and financial, of our Long Standing Church. Following much discussion and meetings with the DS, we were given a pastoral change, having Pastor Rene Pak appointed in

2014 . In furtherance of this appointment change, Conference decided to put FCUMC on a 2 point charge with Cedar Grove UMC.

At this time, what we most desirously want you to know, is that whatever may have happened in the past, our ministry here today at Faith Community is vibrant, exciting and going well. It is our deepest desire to continue to plan and go forward in such a positive direction, and fulfill our role as part of the Greater New Jersey Conference.

Pastor Rene Pak is, and has been since her appointment with us, one of the important factors in our current upward trend. We are blessed by her pastoring to us.

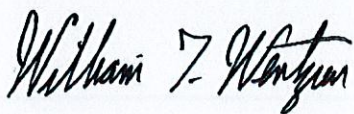
We are engaged in very positive forward planning. Our program of increased giving towards Shared Ministries is presented to the Congregation, and indications are positive in response. We will be continuing in our discussions regarding plans to work towards 100% of Shared Ministries.

We note that the DS has made reference to what she understands as forgiving 1/3, with a 2/3 repayment plan. In all my years I cannot say that I have seen a written rule of this. This appears to be a 'general' understanding, or what just may have been done previously.

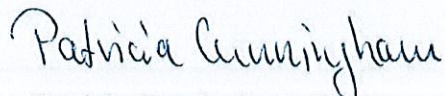
We believe a request for any Debt Forgiveness/Removal should be on a case-by-case basis. Our request for 100% Billings Forgiveness/Removal is based on our particular circumstance as outlined above for FCUMC-Bayville, and is not just a general request of this nature. We do not ask this of you lightly. It is only after much discussion and prayer. We are on a healthy track forward since the appointment of Pastor Rene Pak, and desire to continue in this direction, with maximum resources.

In light of all that we share with you in this letter, we again ask for 100% Debt Forgiveness/Removal for Faith Community, a United Methodist Church-Bayville, New Jersey, for the years: 2012,2013,2014.

We pray God's Blessing and Peace unto you,
FAITH COMMUNITY, A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH-BAYVILLE, NJ



William T. Wentzien, Chair
Council



Patricia Cunningham, Chair
Finance Committee

c. Pastor Rene Pak, Pastor Faith Community, a United Methodist Church
Gina Hendrickson, District Superintendent, Northern Shore District

Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
 The United Methodist Church
 205 Jumping Brook Road
 Neptune NJ 07753

Statement Date: 12/31/2018

Due Date: 1/17/2017

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: ~~36,422.41~~
 34,156.38

Church Number: 5009

FAITH COMMUNITY UMC BAYVILLE
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Date	Invoice #	Description	Monthly Amount Due	Invoice Balance
12/31/2012	179221	2012 Unpaid CRSP: Douglas E Rea	4,150.14	4,150.14
12/31/2012	179222	2012 Unpaid CPP: Douglas E Rea	803.28	803.28
12/31/2012	179883	2012 Unpaid Health Ins: Douglas E Rea	9,747.00	9,747.00
12/31/2013	207581	2013 Unpaid Property	1,647.96	1,647.96
12/31/2013	207957	2013 Unpaid CRSP: Douglas E Rea	4,409.28	4,409.28
12/31/2013	207958	2013 Unpaid CPP: Douglas E Rea	853.38	853.38
12/31/2013	208625	2013 Unpaid Health: Douglas E Rea	7,998.00	7,998.00
11/3/2014	234569	2014 Property Insurance	411.99	411.99
11/3/2014	234801	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - SINGLE: Rene Pak	1,292.00	1,292.00
11/3/2014	235654	2014 CPP FT: Rene Pak	114.13	114.13
11/3/2014	235656	CLERGY PENSION: Rene Pak	475.55	475.55
12/1/2014	236639	2014 Property Insurance	411.99	411.99
12/1/2014	237099	2014 CPP FT: Rene Pak	114.13	114.13
12/1/2014	237100	CLERGY PENSION: Rene Pak	475.55	475.55
12/1/2014	237700	2014 Health Insurance Church Pay Emplr. - SINGLE: Rene Pak	1,292.00	1,292.00
1/26/2018	324119	2018 PropertyIns	551.64	
2/2/2018	ck# 1998	Payment--Thank You	-551.64	
1/26/2018	324748	2018 Workers Comp Annual - Church	924.00	
2/2/2018	ck# 1998	Payment--Thank You	-924.00	
1/26/2018	325116	2018 CPP FT: Rene Pak	115.22	
2/2/2018	ck# 1998	Payment--Thank You	-115.22	
1/26/2018	325118	2018 CRSP: Rene Pak	480.09	
2/2/2018	ck# 1998	Payment--Thank You	-480.09	
1/26/2018	325736	2018 Hlth Ins Church Pay SINGLE: Rene Pak	1,079.08	
2/2/2018	ck# 1998	Payment--Thank You	-1,079.99	
2/13/2018	ck# 1999	Payment--Thank You	-.09	
2/2/2018	326854	2018 PropertyIns	551.64	
2/13/2018	ck# 1999	Payment--Thank You	-551.64	
2/2/2018	327229	2018 CPP FT: Rene Pak	115.22	
2/13/2018	ck# 1999	Payment--Thank You	-115.22	
2/2/2018	327231	2018 CRSP: Rene Pak	480.09	
2/13/2018	ck# 1999	Payment--Thank You	-480.09	
2/2/2018	327849	2018 Hlth Ins Church Pay Emplr. - SINGLE: Rene Pak	1,079.08	
2/13/2018	ck# 1999	Payment--Thank You	-1,079.08	
3/1/2018	328984	2018 PropertyIns	551.64	

34,156.38

5009 BAYVILLE FAITH COMMUNITY

Income and Expense Statement						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Income:						
Local Church Income	101,140	154,884	103,101	111,676	113,319	123,227
Capital Campaigns/Bequests	19,178	15,812	15,294	19,632	300,727	1,647
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	120,318	170,696	118,395	131,308	414,046	124,874
Expenses:						
Shared Ministry Assessed	21,726	21,726	23,500	21,972	20,767	20,458
CRSP/ CPP Assessed	9,907	10,525	8,016	7,134	7,057	7,100
Health Insurance Assessed *	19,494	15,996	15,504	15,000	12,500	12,500
Property & WC Assessed *	4,674	5,270	5,354	6,382	7,521	7,009
Other Benevolences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pastor's Salary	42,840	45,155	40,779	36,438	36,422	36,871
Associate Pastor's Salary	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities and Housing	5,002	5,328	5,995	3,622	3,643	4,074
Acct Reimbursement	2,250	1,393	1,047	375	1,057	1,875
Cash Allowances	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salary & Benefits Deacons/Diaconal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staff Compensation	14,854	14,442	16,815	21,104	25,771	26,590
Program Expense	2,480	951	1,019	1,725	2,220	886
Operating Expenses	42,970	28,596	28,863	26,911	21,694	29,091
Principle and Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expense	86,643	14,701	16,077	15,179	-	74,669
Total Expenses	252,840	164,083	162,969	155,842	138,652	221,123
Gain(Loss)	(132,522)	6,613	(44,574)	(24,534)	275,394	(96,249)
Statistics						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Members	211	207	189	195	204	213
Average Attendance	105	85	90	95	88	92
Shared Min Assessed	21,726	21,726	23,500	21,972	20,767	20,458
Shared Ministry Paid	-	-	19,739	0	1,454	3,300
Shared Ministry % Paid	0.00%	0.00%	84.00%	0.00%	7.00%	16.13%
Pens/Hlth/Prop/WC Assessed *	34,075	31,791	28,874	28,516	27,078	26,609
Pens/Health/Prop/WC Paid	19,374	16,883	24,286	28,516	27,078	26,609
Pens/Health/Prop/WC % Paid *	56.86%	53.10%	84.11%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Identified Givers	150	115	116	127	81	120
Net Assets						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Assets:						
Land, Building, Equipment	4,520,000	4,520,000	4,520,000	4,520,000	4,520,000	4,520,000
Other Assets	373,720	373,720	373,720	373,720	373,720	654,613
Total Assets	4,893,720	4,893,720	4,893,720	4,893,720	4,893,720	5,174,613
Liabilities:						
Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt to Conference	14,700	34,029	34,196	34,196	34,196	34,196
Total Liabilities	14,700	34,029	34,196	34,196	34,196	34,196
Net Assets	4,879,020	4,859,691	4,859,524	4,859,524	4,859,524	5,140,417

July 26, 2018

To the Council on Finance and Administration
Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the
United Methodist Church
Neptune, New Jersey

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (the Conference), for the year ended December 31, 2017 in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Conference's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conference's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Conference's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and, therefore, there can be no assurance that all such deficiencies have been identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the following deficiencies in the Conference's internal control to be significant deficiencies and were communicated in prior years::

Fraud Risk Assessment & Monitoring Program

With the current status in the accounting environment, there is a greater emphasis on implementing programs and controls to address fraud risk or otherwise help prevent, deter, and detect fraud, and how those programs and controls are monitored. We recommend that management implement a system for fraud risk assessment and monitoring. This system should include all facets of the Conference, from clerical staff to the audit committee and/or board of trustees of the organization in assessing the Conference's vulnerabilities to fraudulent activity and whether any of those exposures could result in material misstatement of the financial statements.

Administrative Capacity

The Conference Treasurer's office is now responsible for the accounting for six entities in addition to the Annual Conference (the Centenary fund, the United Methodist Foundation, A Future with Hope, the camps, the Episcopal Office and Lou Strugala LLC), administering the insurance and employee benefit programs of the Conference, managing the risks associated with the properties in the Conference (Approximately 500 churches buildings and their related parsonages) and overseeing the administration of the district superintendents. The Conference's property manager has over 1000 actively used buildings and approximately five unoccupied church properties to monitor at any point in time. In order to ensure that the finance and management staff has adequate time to

evaluate and review their work and to assess and address the risks faced by the organization we recommend the Conference evaluate job responsibilities and consider:

- 1) Soliciting volunteers to take on certain tasks. For example, an active Church's building committee could provide volunteers to walkthrough a local unoccupied church building and parsonage on a regular basis. This would reduce time spend by the Property Manager traveling to and monitoring the unoccupied buildings.
- 2) Hiring consultants for project management or a certain group of tasks.
- 3) Promoting from within to provide another person who could take greater responsibility for the day to day accounting. The cost to this approach is that additional staff or a consultant may be needed to take certain managerial tasks from the promoted personnel. The benefit is the provision of additional time for the Conference Treasurer to administer and manage other areas.
- 4) In consultation with management, design a new position that will take on certain administrative responsibilities and hire from outside the organization.

Other Matters

Recording Investment Activity

During the year ended December 31, 2017, the investment activity of the Conference was recorded at year end. In order to improve internal reporting and internal control over investments we recommend that all investment activity be recorded on a monthly basis, each brokerage account is reconciled on a monthly basis, and that reconciliations are reviewed by someone other than the person preparing the reconciliation each month.

In addition, we noted that investment income is allocated based on a flat 5% rate of return instead of the actual return on investments. Any excess investment earnings or losses are accounted through a reserve account in the unrestricted net assets. We recommend that management allocate investment earnings based on the actual return, especially as it relates to endowment and board designated funds such as funds set aside for post-retirement benefits.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Council on Finance and Administration, and others within the Organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Lambrides Arnold Moulthrop LLP

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July 26, 2018

To the Council on Finance and Administration
Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the
United Methodist Church
Neptune, NJ

We have audited the financial statements of Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (the Conference) for the year ended December 31, 2017, and have issued our report thereon dated July 26, 2018. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted audit standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated January 10, 2018. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following related to our audit work.

Significant Audit Findings:

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Conference are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. We noted no transactions entered into by the Conference during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

The allowance for uncollectible loans receivable is based on historical collection rates and an analysis of the collectability of individual promises.

The fair value of investments in debt and marketable securities is based on quotations obtained from national security exchanges.

The annual depreciation is based on the estimated useful life of assets.

The liability and related disclosure for post-retirement employee benefit obligation.

The allocation of functional expense is based on estimates of time spent by employees or percentage of use based on square footage of buildings.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were:

The disclosure of temporarily restricted net assets in Note 7, net assets released from restrictions in Note 6, and permanently restricted net assets in Note 8 detail donor restrictions on the assets of the Conference.

The disclosure of post-retirement benefit obligation in Note 12 to the financial statement provides detail of the obligation and actuarial assumptions utilized in the calculation of the liability.

The disclosure of defined benefit pension plans in Note 11 to the financial statement provides detail of the actuarial assumptions utilized in the calculation of the benefit cost.

The financial statements disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. The attached schedule summarizes uncorrected misstatements of the financial statements. Management has determined that their effects are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated July 26, 2018.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an

accounting principle to the Conference's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Conference's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This information is intended solely for the use of management and the Council on Finance and Administration of the Conference and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Lambrides Arnold Moulthrop LLP

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Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

SUMMARY OF AUDIT DIFFERENCES

Year Ended December 31, 2017

Statement of activities misstatements:	Current Year Over (Under) Statement
Unreimbursed pension and health insurance expense	(\$14,206)
Total expenses	<u>(\$14,206)</u>
 Statement of financial position misstatements:	
Assets	\$14,206
 Net assets:	
Ending	\$14,206

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For the Year Ended
December 31, 2017

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To the Council on Finance and Administration
Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
of the United Methodist Church
Neptune, New Jersey 07753

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying unconsolidated financial statements of the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (the Conference), a nonprofit organization, which comprise the unconsolidated statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017, and the related unconsolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the unconsolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these unconsolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these unconsolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the unconsolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the unconsolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the unconsolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the unconsolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the unconsolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the unconsolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church as of December 31, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Conference's 2016 unconsolidated financial statements, and our report dated May 30, 2017, expressed an unmodified opinion on those unconsolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited unconsolidated financial statements from which it has been derived.

Lambides Arnold Moulthrop LLP

July 26, 2018

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UNCONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,306,025	\$ 1,579,541
Investments (Note 3)	20,582,061	19,412,542
Accounts receivable	3,052,648	2,598,843
Pledges receivable	-	447,099
Loans receivable, net of allowance of \$176,749 - 2017 and \$177,229 - 2016	1,380,178	1,049,950
Interest receivable	2,010	2,010
Due from Bishop's Office (Note 18)	79,660	45,782
Prepaid expenses	238,966	287,313
Property and equipment (Note 5)	8,527,928	9,430,524
Beneficial interest in perpetual trust (Note 19)	389,543	354,288
Total assets	<u>\$ 35,559,019</u>	<u>\$ 35,207,892</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 3,503,139	\$ 1,975,091
Due to A Future with Hope (Note 18)	146,139	209,017
Security deposit	2,250	2,750
Post-retirement employee benefit obligation (Note 12)	65,699,205	58,018,509
Total liabilities	<u>69,350,733</u>	<u>60,205,367</u>
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted Net Assets	(35,535,110)	(27,910,341)
Temporarily restricted (Note 7)	1,017,775	2,227,000
Permanently restricted (Note 8)	725,621	685,866
Total net assets	<u>(33,791,714)</u>	<u>(24,997,475)</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 35,559,019</u>	<u>\$ 35,207,892</u>

See notes to the unconsolidated financial statements.

Exhibit A

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UNCONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>UNRESTRICTED</u>	<u>TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED</u>	<u>PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
				<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues, Gains, and Other Support:					
Disciplinary obligations	\$ 4,586,800			\$ 4,586,800	\$ 4,602,980
World service benevolences	3,179,028			3,179,028	3,138,617
Other apportioned	650,525			650,525	636,351
Non apportioned	186,013	\$ 203,768		389,781	548,751
Program revenue	415,425			415,425	501,677
Change in value of perpetual trusts			\$ 35,255	35,255	3,754
Investment income (Note 3)	3,252,618	53,017		3,305,635	1,112,301
Other revenue	1,330,996	513	4,500	1,336,009	4,134,123
Gain/loss on sale of real estate	1,716,004			1,716,004	(217,207)
Net assets released from restriction (Note 6)	<u>1,466,523</u>	<u>(1,466,523)</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenues, gains, and other support	<u>16,783,932</u>	<u>(1,209,225)</u>	<u>39,755</u>	<u>15,614,462</u>	<u>14,461,347</u>
Expenses and Losses:					
Clergy support	2,300,683			2,300,683	2,281,281
Administrative expense	3,634,340			3,634,340	4,360,298
World service programs	3,303,569			3,303,569	3,206,236
Other apportioned funds	671,794			671,794	642,702
Other disbursements	3,766,175			3,766,175	3,301,919
Unreimbursed pension & health health insurance (Note 14)	2,653,832			2,653,832	2,219,784
Depreciation	<u>397,612</u>			<u>397,612</u>	<u>277,907</u>
Total expenses and losses	<u>16,728,005</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,728,005</u>	<u>16,290,127</u>
Change in net assets before post- retirement benefit obligation gain (loss)	<u>55,927</u>	<u>(1,209,225)</u>	<u>39,755</u>	<u>(1,113,543)</u>	<u>(1,828,780)</u>
Post-retirement benefit obligation gain (Note 12)	<u>(7,680,696)</u>			<u>(7,680,696)</u>	<u>(8,463,398)</u>
Change in Net Assets	<u>(7,624,769)</u>	<u>(1,209,225)</u>	<u>39,755</u>	<u>(8,794,239)</u>	<u>(10,292,178)</u>
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>(27,910,341)</u>	<u>2,227,000</u>	<u>685,866</u>	<u>(24,997,475)</u>	<u>(14,705,297)</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	<u><u>\$(35,535,110)</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,017,775</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 725,621</u></u>	<u><u>\$(33,791,714)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(24,997,475)</u></u>

See notes to the unconsolidated financial statements.

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UNCONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ (8,794,239)	\$ (10,292,178)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	397,612	277,907
Realized gain on investments	(1,047,261)	(1,091,798)
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments	(2,307,585)	70,987
Change in value of perpetual trusts	(35,255)	(3,754)
(Gain) loss on disposal of fixed assets	(1,716,004)	217,207
Bad debt expense (Recovery of prior bad debt expense)	257,164	226,647
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	(453,805)	363,869
Allowance for uncollectible loans	5,133	14,000
Pledges receivable	189,935	456,755
Interest receivable	-	18,374
Due from Bishop's office	(33,878)	(15,655)
Prepaid expenses	48,347	553,610
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,528,048	(124,917)
Due to A Future with Hope	(62,878)	(18,953)
Security deposit	(500)	(2,250)
Post-retirement benefits liability	7,680,696	8,463,398
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>(4,344,470)</u>	<u>(886,751)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Increase in loans receivable	175,381	340,322
Repayments of loans receivable	(510,742)	(203,782)
Purchase of investments	(7,525,476)	(28,138,775)
Proceeds from the sale of investments	9,710,803	30,545,031
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	2,346,243	812,365
Purchase of fixed assets	(125,255)	(1,790,643)
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities	<u>4,070,954</u>	<u>1,564,518</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(273,516)	677,767
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	<u>1,579,541</u>	<u>901,774</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>\$ 1,306,025</u>	<u>\$ 1,579,541</u>
Supplemental disclosure:		
Non-cash investing activities		
Transfer of shares from Centenary Fund	<u>\$ 608,655</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See notes to the unconsolidated financial statements.

Exhibit C

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NOTES TO THE UNCONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Organization:

Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (the Conference) is an integral part of the General Conference of the United Methodist Church. Each member church in the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference supports the operating budget and, in addition, makes contributions or grants to the Conference's and General Conference's missions and programs. Investment revenue and program revenue also support the activities of the Conference.

The Conference is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

(a) *Basis of Accounting*

The financial statements of the Conference have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables and other liabilities.

(b) *Cash and Cash Equivalents*

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Conference considers all unrestricted highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

(c) *Investments*

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at fair values based on quoted prices in active markets (national security exchanges) for identical assets, with gains and losses included in the statement of activities. Donated investments are reflected as contributions at their fair values at date of receipt.

(d) *Accounts Receivable*

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a provision for bad debt expense and an adjustment to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to accounts receivable.

(e) *Firm Pledges*

Firm pledges are recognized as income in the year for which the pledge is made. Pledges that are expected to be received within one year are recorded at net realizable value. Pledges that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using risk-free interest rates applicable to the year in which the pledges are received. Amortization of the discount is included in contribution

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (continued)

(e) *Firm Pledges* (continued)

revenue. The Conference uses the allowance method to determine uncollectible receivables. An allowance for uncollectible pledges is estimated based upon management's judgment and includes factors such as prior collection history.

(f) *Land, Buildings and Equipment*

Depreciable assets over \$5,000 are recorded at cost at date of acquisition or fair value at date of donation in the case of gifts. Depreciation is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings	25 - 40 years
Equipment, furniture and fixtures	4 - 10 years

Property and equipment are reviewed each year for impairment or whenever events or changes in business circumstances indicate carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable. Impairment losses are recognized if expected future cash flows from the assets are less than their carrying values. No impairment losses were recognized during the year ended December 31, 2017.

(g) *Post-retirement Benefits*

The Conference has adopted FASB ASC 715, Compensation – Retirement Benefits which requires that the funded status of defined benefit pensions and other postretirement benefit plans be fully recognized in the statement of financial position.

(h) *Net Assets*

The net assets of the Conference and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Unrestricted net assets include all resources which are not subject to donor imposed restrictions of a more specific nature than those which only obligate the Conference to utilize funds in furtherance of its mission.

Temporarily restricted net assets carry specific, donor-imposed restrictions on the expenditure or other use of contributed funds. Temporary restrictions may expire either because certain actions are taken by the Conference which fulfill the restrictions or because of the passage of time. Expirations of temporary restrictions on net assets (i.e., the donor-stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets.

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2. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:** (continued)

(h) *Net Assets* (continued)

Permanently restricted net assets are those that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions which will never lapse, thus requiring that the funds be permanently retained. Generally, the donors of these funds permit the organization to use all or part of the income earned on related investments, and the net capital appreciation thereon, for general or specific purposes.

(i) *Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and reported amounts of revenues and expenses in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates

(j) *Prior-Year Summarized Comparative Information*

The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Conference's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016, from which the summarized information was derived.

(k) *Reclassification*

Certain accounts in the prior-year financial statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes to conform to the presentation of the current-year financial statements.

Agency relationship funds totaling \$324,806 have been reclassified from non apportioned revenue line and other disbursements line on the statements of activities. Administrative expenses totaling \$432,782 have been reclassified out of other disbursements and other revenue lines to administrative expense line.

Unreimbursed pension and health insurance expense of \$2,219,784 has been reclassified out of other revenue and is reported in the statement of activities as a separate line.

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3. Investments:

Investments at December 31, 2017 and 2016 consisted of the following:

	<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 77,632	\$ 77,632	\$ 77,632	\$ 77,632
Mutual fund (fund of funds)*	16,065,146	19,265,365	16,897,134	17,750,296
General Board of Pensions	<u>1,181,848</u>	<u>1,239,064</u>	<u>931,898</u>	<u>1,584,614</u>
Total	<u>\$ 17,324,626</u>	<u>\$ 20,582,061</u>	<u>\$ 17,906,664</u>	<u>\$ 19,412,542</u>

*The Conference invests in the Multiple Asset Fund, a mutual fund managed by Wespath, that has as its objective to attain current income and capital appreciation by investing in a broad mix of different types of investments. The strategy of the mutual fund is to invest in four other Wespath mutual funds to maintain an investment allocation of approximately 40% U.S. equity, 25% international equity, 25% fixed income, and 10% inflation protection. The asset allocation will be rebalanced periodically when holding falls outside of a 3% tolerance

The following schedule summarizes the investment return and its classification in the statement of activities for the year ended December 31, 2017:

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Dividends and interest	\$ -	\$ -
Less investment fees	<u>(49,212)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(49,212)</u>
Investment income	<u>(49,212)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(49,212)</u>
Realized gain	994,245	53,017	1,047,262
Unrealized gain	<u>2,307,585</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,307,585</u>
Net gain on investments	<u>3,301,830</u>	<u>53,017</u>	<u>3,354,847</u>
Total investment return	<u>\$ 3,252,618</u>	<u>\$ 53,017</u>	<u>\$ 3,305,635</u>

Investments as of December 31, 2017 are summarized below based on when they may be redeemed or sold:

	<u>Fair Values</u>
Daily	<u>\$ 20,582,061</u>

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4. Fair Value Measurements:

The Conference reports its fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy defined by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

The three levels as of the fair value hierarchy under GAAP are:

- Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 – Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;
- Level 3 – Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (that is, inputs supported by little or no market activity)

Fair values of assets measured at December 31, 2017 are as follows:

	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</u>	<u>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u>	<u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>
<u>Recurring fair value measurements:</u>				
Mutual fund (fund of funds)	\$ 19,265,365	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,265,365
Certificates of deposit	77,632		77,632	
General Board of Pensions (fund of funds)	<u>1,239,064</u>			<u>1,239,064</u>
Total investments	<u>20,582,061</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,632</u>	<u>20,504,429</u>
Beneficial interest in perpetual trust	<u>389,543</u>			<u>\$ 389,543</u>
Total fair value measurements	<u>\$ 20,971,604</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 77,632</u>	<u>\$ 20,893,972</u>

Mutual fund (fund of funds) value and the value of the investments held by General Board of Pensions are based upon estimated fair value, per the net asset value, as reported by the third party fund manager. The fund manager utilizes the quoted prices for the underlying holdings as its basis for fair value measurement.

The certificate of deposit is measured with valuations obtained from real time quotes for transaction in active exchange markets involving identical assets.

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4. Fair Value Measurements: (continued)

Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts: the Conference considers the measurement of its beneficial interest in the trusts to be a Level 3 measurement within the fair value hierarchy because even though that measurement is based on the unadjusted fair values of the trust assets reported by the trustee, the Conference will never receive those assets or have the ability to direct the trustee to redeem them (Level 3).

Assets measured at fair value using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 input) are as follows:

Balance of Level 3 investments as of January 1, 2017	\$ 354,288
Purchases	7,525,476
Sales	(9,710,803)
Realized gain	1,047,261
Unrealized gain	2,307,585
Change in value	35,255
Transfer out of Level 1 investments	<u>19,334,910</u>
Balance of Level 3 investments as of December 31, 2017	<u>\$20,893,972</u>

Investments in Mutual Fund (fund of funds) and General Board of Pensions with a fair value of \$19,334,910 were transferred from Level 1 investments to Level 3 investments as a result of additional information provided by the investment fund manager.

Transfers are measured at fair value on the date the transfer takes place. The Fund recognizes transfers between levels in a fair-value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

5. Property and Equipment:

Details of property and equipment are as follows:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Net</u>
Land	\$ 1,322,832		\$ 1,322,832
Buildings	8,803,251	\$(1,975,810)	6,827,441
Leasehold improvements	149,577	(29,915)	119,662
Computer equipment and software	154,644	(67,841)	86,803
Furniture and fixtures	<u>226,855</u>	<u>(55,665)</u>	<u>171,190</u>
Total	<u>\$ 10,657,159</u>	<u>\$(2,129,231)</u>	<u>\$ 8,527,928</u>

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6. Net Assets Released from Restrictions:

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes specified by donors as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Churches within the Conference	\$ 55,737	\$ 28,674
Scholarships	37,900	66,042
Missional programs, church growth, and church construction	925,787	635,085
Time restriction (pledges)	<u>447,099</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net assets released from restrictions	<u>\$ 1,466,523</u>	<u>\$ 729,801</u>

7. Temporarily Restricted Net Assets:

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Missional programs, church growth, and/or church construction	\$ 339,791	\$1,121,702
Various scholarships for education	334,920	324,418
Retired preachers, ill or in need	147,465	137,818
Specific United Methodist Churches within the Conference	52,992	61,729
Mission concerns of the Northeast District	105,715	101,715
Benevolence to United Methodist Women	4,983	4,003
Bright Spots	7,394	7,394
Clergy assistance	1,515	1,122
Leadership development	20,000	20,000
Time restriction (pledges)	<u>3,000</u>	<u>447,099</u>
Total temporarily restricted net assets	<u>\$1,017,775</u>	<u>\$2,227,000</u>

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8. Permanently Restricted Net Assets:

Permanently restricted net assets are restricted to investment in perpetuity, the income from which is expendable to support:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Various scholarships for education	\$ 344,046	\$ 340,047
Old and needy women of the Methodist Episcopal denomination	10,000	10,000
Pension and health benefits of retired clergy	5,000	5,000
Clergy assistance	4,500	4,000
Missional programs, church growth and/or church construction	271,636	242,207
Missions in North East New Jersey	<u>90,439</u>	<u>84,612</u>
Total permanently restricted net assets	<u>\$ 725,621</u>	<u>\$ 685,866</u>

9. Conference Board of Pensions:

Effective January 1, 2007, the Conference adopted the Clergy Retirement Security Program which had been established by the General Conference of the United Methodist Church. This plan supersedes and replaces the provisions of the prior plans. The church contribution rate under the Clergy Retirement Security Program is 12.50% of the active participant's plan compensation for a plan year. The 2017 church contribution rates under the Comprehensive Protection Plan are 3% for full-time clergy, 3.4% for less-than-full-time (3/4 and 1/2 time), and 4.4% for optional coverage (1/4 time or leave status.)

Under the provisions of the plans, the Conference is required to maintain an amount in its Deposit Account sufficient to provide for the monthly transfer of the church contributions on behalf of its active participants.

10. Defined Contribution Plan:

Effective January 1, 1975, the Conference adopted a contributory pension plan for lay employees, covering all full-time employees electing to participate. Under this plan the Conference will contribute 6% of each participant's annual salary, and the participants will contribute an additional 3% of all past earnings of eligible employees.

11. Multiemployer Defined Pension Plan:

The Conference contributes to three multiemployer defined benefit pension plans - the Pre-82 Plan, the Clergy Retirement Security Program (CRSP), and the Ministerial Pension Plan (MPP). The Conference does not directly manage these multiemployer plans, which are managed by The General Board of Pensions and Health Benefits of The United Methodist Church. A majority of the Conference's employees are participants in one of these multiemployer plans as of December 31, 2017, subject to eligibility requirements.

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11. Multiemployer Defined Pension Plan: (continued)

Each of these plans is organized as a nonelecting, noncontributory multiemployer church retirement plan, and therefore the plans are not subject to certain reporting requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended. The plans' certified zone statuses are not available since the plans are not subject to ERISA reporting requirements.

The risks of participating in a multiemployer plan are different from a single employer plan in the following aspects: (1) assets contributed to the multiemployer plan by one employer may be used to provide benefits to employees of other participating employers; (2) if a participating employer stops contributing to the plan, the unfunded obligations of the plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers; (3) if an employer chooses to stop participating in a multiemployer plan, the company may be required to pay the plan an amount based on the underfunded status of the plan, referred to as a withdrawal liability. If a plan were to terminate, if participants voluntarily withdrew or there was a mass withdrawal, the Conference may also be required to make additional payments to the plan for its proportionate share of underfunded liabilities.

The following table presents information on the plans and the Conference's participation in the plans:

Plan	Employer Identification and Plan No.	Plan Funded Status as of 1/1/2017*		Annual Conference Contribution for the Year Ended		Total Plan Contribution for the Year Ended		Contribution Greater than 5% of Total
		Plan Assets 1/1/2017*	Accumulated Benefit Obligation 1/1/2017*	12/31/2017	12/31/2016	12/31/2017	12/31/2016	
CRSP	336/335176/81	\$ 1,641,427,636	\$ 2,479,431,187	\$ 2,031,675	\$ 1,942,051	\$ 104,194,172	\$ 105,542,328	No
MPP	336/335176/81	3,554,065,913	4,485,220,704	-	-	-	-	
Pre-82	336/335176/81	38,962,420	40,251,665	338,059	-	12,903,208	14,597,677	No
		\$ 5,234,455,969	\$ 7,004,903,556	\$ 2,369,734	\$ 1,942,051	\$ 117,097,380	\$ 120,140,005	

*Date of most recent available actuarial valuation report.

The plans' accumulated benefit obligations are determined annually by the plans' actuary. Significant actuarial assumptions utilized for the Pre-82 Plan include a discount rate of 6.625%, an expected rate of investment return of 6.625%, and an expected rate of salary increase of 1.68%. Significant actuarial assumptions utilized for the CRSP include a discount rate of 7%, an expected rate of investment return of 7%, and an annual cost of living benefit increase of 2.5%. Significant actuarial assumptions utilized for the MPP include a discount rate of 6.25%, an expected rate of investment return of 6.25%, and an annual cost of living benefit increase of 2.5%.

Plan assets for CRSP are invested in Multiple Asset Fund (MAF). The MAF is a mark-to-market fund with a target mix of asset classes of 10% Inflation Protection Fund, 25% Fixed Income Funds, 35% U.S. Equity Fund and 30% International Equity Fund. Actual allocation may vary slightly.

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11. Multiemployer Defined Pension Plan: (continued)

Assets supporting MPP Annuities are invested at Wespath with an overall target of 50% fixed income, 30% equities and 20% alternative investment. Actual allocation may vary slightly. The specific funds employed are the Fixed Income Fund, the Inflation Protection Funds, the Positive Social Purpose Lending Funds, the U.S. Equity Funds, the International Equity Funds, and the Special Opportunities Fund.

Plan assets for Pre-82 Plan were invested with a target mix of assets: 33% U.S. Equity Funds, 28% International Equity Funds, 28% Fixed Income Fund and 11% Inflation Projection Fund. Actual allocation may vary slightly.

At January 1, 2017, Pre-82 plan was funded 96.80%, MPP was funded 79.24% and CRSP was funded 66.2%.

12. Post-Retirement Benefit Obligation:

The Conference's post-retirement health care benefit plan provides health insurance coverage to employees with 20 years of service who retire directly from active service at or after the age of 62. Married employees eligible for the plan will also have coverage for their spouse. Upon an eligible retiree's death, spousal coverage continues for the spouse's lifetime.

Effective July 1, 2002 a person becoming an annuitant after July 1, 2002 with less than 20 years of annuity credit in the United Methodist Church at retirement shall share in the cost of the premium. The annuitant's share shall be 5% times the number of full years by which the annuity credit is less than 20.

Effective July 1, 2003 for an annuitant under the age of 65 commencing benefits after July 1, 2003, the Conference shall contribute an amount equal to the coverage cost of a Medicare-eligible annuitant, prorated for service years less than 20.

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12. **Post-Retirement Benefit Obligation:** (continued)

Obligations and Funded Status

	2017	2016
	(In Thousands)	(In Thousands)
Benefit obligations	<u>\$ (65,699)</u>	<u>\$ (58,018)</u>
Funded status	<u>\$ (65,699)</u>	<u>\$ (58,018)</u>
Employer contributions	\$ 2,564	\$ 2,407
Benefit paid	<u>(2,564)</u>	<u>(2,407)</u>
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Amounts recognized in the statement of financial position consist of:		
Current liabilities	\$ 2,564	\$ (2,196)
Non-current liabilities	<u>63,135</u>	<u>(55,822)</u>
	<u>\$ 65,699</u>	<u>\$ (58,018)</u>
Amounts recognized in the statement of activities consist of:		
Service cost	\$ 1,151	\$ 1,112
Interest cost	2,506	2,236
Actuarial gain/loss	6,588	7,522
Benefits paid	<u>(2,564)</u>	<u>(2,407)</u>
	<u>\$ 7,681</u>	<u>\$ 8,463</u>

Items not yet recognized as a component of net periodic pensions costs

	2017	2016
	(In Thousands)	(In Thousands)
Transition obligation	\$ -	\$ -
Net actuarial loss	<u>7,573</u>	<u>984</u>
Total not yet recognized as a component of net periodic pension cost	<u>\$ 7,573</u>	<u>\$ 984</u>

The transition obligation and net actuarial loss for the post-retirement benefit plan that will be amortized from changes in unrestricted net assets into net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year are (in thousands) \$0 and \$7,573 respectively.

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12. Post-Retirement Benefit Obligation: (continued)

The following assumptions were used in accounting for the plan:

Weighted-average assumption to determine benefit cost
and benefit obligation at December 31, 2017:

Discount rate	3.80%
Assumed Health Care Cost Trends Rates:	
Health care cost trend rate assumed for next year	Pre 65-7.5% /Post 65-8.91%
Ultimate trend rate	4.50%
Year that the ultimate rate is reached	2028

There are no plan assets at December 31, 2017.

The following benefits are expected to be paid:

	<u>(In Thousands)</u>
2018	2,542
2019	2,609
2020	2,877
2021	3,066
2022	3,244
2023-2026	18,264

13. Concentration of Credit Risk:

The Conference maintains cash balance at TD Bank in excess of the \$250,000 FDIC insured limits. The Conference's uninsured cash balances totaled \$1,635,758 as of December 31, 2017.

14. Reimbursed Expenditures:

The Conference administers a comprehensive insurance plan, a health insurance plan and a pension and disability fund for all United Methodist churches affiliated with the Conference. The Conference invoices the churches to obtain reimbursement for the cost of insurance, pension, and disability plan payments made on behalf of the churches

For the year ended December 31, 2017 the following amounts were collected and disbursed by the Conference for each respective benefit plan:

	Pension and Disability Plan	Health Insurance	Comprehensive Insurance Plan	<u>Total</u>
Collected	\$ 2,946,816	\$ 9,800,012	\$ 3,961,269	\$ 16,708,097
Disbursed	(3,188,026)	(12,156,810)	(4,017,093)	(19,361,929)
Net Activity	<u>\$ (241,210)</u>	<u>\$ (2,356,798)</u>	<u>\$ (55,824)</u>	<u>\$ (2,653,832)</u>

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15. Endowment:

The Conference's endowment consists of approximately 14 individual funds established for a variety of purposes. Its endowment includes both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the Council on Finance and Administration to function as endowments. As required by GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Council on Finance and Administration to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

Relevant Law

The Council on Finance and Administration of the Conference has interpreted the New Jersey State's Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (UPMIFA) as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Conference classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets are classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the organization in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA

In accordance with UPMIFA, the Conference considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund
- (2) The purposes of the organization and the donor-restricted endowment fund
- (3) General economic conditions
- (4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- (5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- (6) Other resources of the organization
- (7) The investment policies of the organization.

Changes in Endowment Net Assets for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017:

	<u>Temporarily</u> <u>Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently</u> <u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Opening endowment assets	\$ 286,369	\$ 685,866	\$ 972,235
Contributions		4,500	4,500
Interest and dividends	37,286		37,286
Net appreciation		35,255	35,255
Appropriated for expenditure	<u>(16,400)</u>		<u>(16,400)</u>
Closing endowment assets	<u>\$ 307,255</u>	<u>\$ 725,621</u>	<u>\$ 1,032,876</u>

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15. **Endowment:** (continued)

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Conference has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the organization must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Council on Finance and Administration, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the S&P 500 index while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. The Conference expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 6.5 percent annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Conference relies on a total return strategy in which investments returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Conference targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy

The Conference has a policy of appropriating for expenditure 5% of the average fair value of each respective endowment. The Organization expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment funds to grow at a minimal average rate of 5% annually. This is consistent with the Organization's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return.

16. **Expense Allocation:**

Expenses are charged to program and supporting services on the basis on periodic time and expense studies. Allocation of expenses for the year ending December 31, 2017 and 2016, is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Program services	\$ 12,987,238	\$ 11,855,443
Management and general	<u>3,740,767</u>	<u>4,434,684</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 16,728,005</u>	<u>\$ 16,290,127</u>

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17. Income Taxes:

The Conference is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and application state law.

The accounting standards on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes address the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under that guidance, the Conference may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by taxing authorities based on the technical merits of the position. Examples of tax positions include the tax-exempt status of the Conference and various position related to the potential sources of unrelated business taxable income (UBIT). The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from a tax position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. There were no unrecognized tax benefits identified or recorded as liabilities for fiscal year 2017 and 2016.

The Conference is not required to file a federal form 990 because it is an integrated auxiliary of a church. Therefore, the Conference has voluntarily elected not to file a federal form 990 since its inception and for that reason; the statute of limitations has not started to expire for IRS examination of income tax issues.

18. Related Parties:

The Conference provides administrative services to various related organizations. The payments received and in-kind services provided in 2017 are as follows:

	2016			
	Admin Fees	Reimbursement of Expenses	Donated Services	Total
A Future With Hope		\$ 9,257	\$ 33,284	\$ 42,541
The Centenary Fund and Preachers' Aid Society		5,043	10,362	15,405
United Methodist Foundation	\$ 122,352			122,352
Total administrative fees	\$ 122,352	\$ 14,300	\$ 43,646	\$ 180,298

Due to the reorganization of the Greater NJ United Methodist Camping Ministries, the Conference waived its administrative fees from that program for 2017.

The Centenary Fund provides annual support to a Conference's program which serves the needs of retired clergy, widows and dependent children of deceased clergy. The amount received in 2017 is \$606,249.

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18. **Related Parties:** (continued)

The Conference collects contributions from local churches and individuals which are designated for A Future with Hope and The Centenary Fund. The amounts remitted to related organization in 2017 are as follows:

A Future With Hope	\$ 216,654
The Centenary Fund and Preachers' Aid Society	<u>1,086</u>
	<u>\$ 217,740</u>

At December 31, 2017, the Conference had the following related party accounts payable:

A Future With Hope	\$ 146,139
UMC - Imagine No Malaria	52,373
UM Camps	327,005
The Centenary Fund and Preachers' Aid Society	<u>1,409</u>
	<u>\$ 526,926</u>

The New Jersey Episcopal office of the United Methodist Church maintains a verbal agreement with the Conference to occupy office space. The lease is on a month-to-month basis. In 2017, the related rental revenue totaled \$12,000.

The Conference subsidizes a part of The Episcopal Office's administrative expenses. In 2017, the Episcopal Office received an allotment from the Conference of \$141,678.

At December 31, 2017, the Conference had a receivable from The Episcopal Office amounting to \$79,660.

19. **Beneficial Interest in Trust:**

Under the terms of the perpetual trust, the Conference has the irrevocable right to receive the income earned on the trust asset in perpetuity, but never receive the asset held in trust. The Conference has recorded the asset at the estimated fair value of the Conference's share of the beneficial interest in trust assets. Distributions from the trust assets are recorded as unrestricted investment income in the accompanying statement of activities unless restricted by the donor. The Conference did not receive any distributions in 2017 from the trusts. Change in value of the beneficial interest in the trust assets are recorded as unrealized gains or losses in the permanently restricted net assets

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19. **Beneficial Interest in Trust:** (continued)

A summary of the beneficial interest in trusts is as follows:

Balance, beginning of year	\$ 354,288
Contributions	-
Investment return on trusts assets	35,255
Distribution to Conference	-
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 389,543</u>

20. **Cash Flow Information:**

No liabilities for income taxes or interest expense were incurred or paid for the year ended December 31, 2017.

21. **Contingencies:**

The Conference is subject to lawsuits. In the opinion of management, all such matters are adequately covered by insurance and, if not so covered, are without merit or are of such kind, or involve such amounts as would not have a significant effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Conference if disposed of unfavorably.

22. **Subsequent Events:**

In preparing these financial statements, the Conference has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through July 26, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

In May, 2018, the Conference purchased a parsonage located in Bridgewater, NJ, for the amount of \$840,000.

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GNJAC
 Schedule of Shared Ministry Appeals
 Calendar Year 2019

Church #	Church Name	Original 2019 SM Assessment	Revised 2019 SM Assessment	Difference	Quantitative Analysis Provided	DS Endorsed
1048	Emmanuel UMC	\$15,472.00	\$13,841.00	(\$1,631.00)	Yes	Yes
1059	Hope UMC	\$114,986.00	\$103,103.00	(\$11,883.00)	Yes	Yes
1060	Wenonah UMC	\$14,216.00	\$12,220.00	(\$1,996.00)	Yes	Yes
3004	Bloomingdale UMC	\$19,917.00	\$19,283.00	(\$634.00)	Yes	Yes
3043	Pearl River UMC	\$29,839.00	\$29,839.00	\$0.00	No	Yes
3062	Bethany Wayne UMC	\$307,100.00	\$281,689.00	(\$25,411.00)	Yes	Yes
4049	Orange UMC	\$15,666.00	\$13,921.00	(\$1,745.00)	Yes	Yes
5064	Warren Grove UMC	\$2,437.00	\$1,793.00	(\$644.00)	Yes	Yes
5066	West Belmar UMC	\$12,935.00	\$12,753.00	(\$182.00)	Yes	Yes
6016	Debows UMC	\$9,587.00	\$9,391.00	(\$196.00)	Yes	Yes
6036	Kingston UMC	\$20,750.00	\$20,750.00	\$0.00	No	No
7053	Quakertown UMC	\$6,798.00	\$5,908.00	(\$890.00)	Yes	Yes
8027	Haleyville UMC	\$7,278.00	\$7,278.00	\$0.00	No	No
8031	Central UMC	\$94,080.00	\$84,256.00	(\$9,824.00)	Yes	Yes
9048	Trinity UMC	\$103,788.00	\$94,110.00	(\$9,678.00)	Yes	Yes
9067	Bethesda UMC	\$39,293.00	\$39,293.00	\$0.00	No	Yes
9069	First UMC Vineland	\$28,610.00	\$28,163.00	(\$447.00)	Yes	Yes
9074	New Hope UMC	\$21,930.00	\$21,930.00	\$0.00	No	Yes
Total		\$864,682.00	\$799,521.00	(\$65,161.00)		



Emmanuel United Methodist Church
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Greetings Rev. Bethke;

I am respectfully requesting your endorsement for an appeal of Emmanuel's Shared Ministry responsibility for the year 2019. Although the formula appears correct in accordance with John Cardillo's available data, I believe that Emmanuel has incurred a significant increase (\$14,331 to \$15,472) in their shared ministry responsibility secondary to the unique situation facing Embury United Methodist Church whose responsibility has significantly decreased (\$2,361 to \$905).

As we are aware Emmanuel has already incurred the responsibility for my salary despite the fact that I am appointed quarter-time at Embury and still responsible for the administration of affairs there. They incurred an additional financial burden as my status changed from a Commissioned to Ordained elder, totaling a 27% increase in salary.

Second, Emmanuel's shared ministry calculations include 100% of the billings for both the Comprehensive Protection Plan and Clergy Retirement Security Program. In reality, they are paying 75% of those expenses and Embury is reimbursing Emmanuel for 25% for the expenses per your direction. I have attached our historical emails for your review.

February 3, 2018

Good Morning Myrna,

I just received February's billing statements for Emmanuel and Embury. I understand the complexity of Embury's status however it was my understanding that the two churches share the responsibility for the costs of my benefits with a 75/25 split. It appears that Emmanuel is being billed 100% which will certainly present them with an additional financial challenge. Is the billing to Emmanuel accurate?

Sandy

Feb 25, 2018

Based on what I see, Embury will need to keep reimbursing Emmanuel for this year. As we move forward in taking Embury out of the picture, how short will Emmanuel be in maintaining a full time appointment next year?

Last, our housing benefit showed an increase of 52%. This was secondary to a one-time non-capital but significant expense for the parsonage's kitchen plumbing repair.

Although we are committed to paying a 100% of our shared ministry responsibility, our finance committee has expressed concern to our Church Council that continuing my full time appointment expense may be beyond their capabilities next year.

I would appreciate your endorsement to review our unique situation both with John Cardillo, the Council on Finance and Administration.

Thanking you advance.

Respectfully submitted;

Rev. SandraLee Stenstrom

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From: [Myrna Bethke](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#); [John Cardillo](#)
Subject: FW: recap
Date: Friday, July 13, 2018 1:18:03 PM
Attachments: [Oaklyn Appeal.docx](#)

See below and my attached support letter

Rev. Myrna Bethke

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From: Sandy Stenstrom [mailto:sandystenstrom@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, July 6, 2018 8:23 AM
To: Myrna Bethke <mbethke@gnjumc.org>
Subject: Re: recap

Hi Myrna;

Thanks for hearing me. Sorry for the delay in following up; I was waiting for the cost of parsonage repairs from the treasurer.

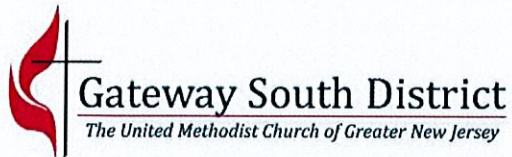
I believe that lines 40 and 41 are completed by our conference staff so I don't have those figures but in accordance with our billings and subtracting what Embury is reimbursing Emmanuel:

Clergy Retirement Security Program goes from \$6,953.16 to \$5,214.87, and Comprehensive Protection Plan goes from \$1668.72 to \$1251.54

41a Compensation goes from \$37,512 to \$28,134

42a Housing Benefits goes from \$4,212 to \$3,454

Thanks
Sandy



July 13, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from **Emmanuel UMC in Oaklyn**. **I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. Rev. Stenstrom's salary and other benefits are all being attributed to Oaklyn, which raises their expenses. In reality, Embury UMC is sending funds to Emmanuel for their share of her salary and benefits. The mistakes are specific. Rev. Stenstrom has provided the figures to support this in her email.**

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for **Emmanuel UMC**.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myrna Bethke".

Rev. Myrna Bethke
Gateway South District Superintendent

Hope UMC
Church Number 1059
Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 61,228.00	\$ 61,228.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 5,729.00	\$ 5,729.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 528.00	\$ 528.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ 965.00	\$ 965.00	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 342,908.00	\$ 342,908.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 80,169.00	\$ 59,305.00	\$ (20,864.00)
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 178,606.00	\$ 125,663.00	\$ (52,943.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 44,065.00	\$ 44,065.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 714,198.00	\$ 640,391.00	\$ (73,807.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula		Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	*	\$114,986	
Original Assessment-2019			
\$714,198.00	*	\$114,986	
Revised Assessment-2019			
\$640,391.00	*	\$103,103	(\$11,883)



1059

June 21, 2018

Dear Ms. Bethke,

In reviewing our information reported by our previous Comptroller, we noticed quite a few expense items that were overstated as well as a few understated capital expenses and loan balances. Below you will find a detailed list of the items in question that more accurately reflect our expenses and capital items from lines 46 through 49. We respectfully request an appeal to our previous report and our final report be amended to reflect the below:

- Line 46 was reported at \$80,169 and should reflect \$59,305.
- Line 47a was reported at \$54,972 and should reflect \$42,335.
- Line 47b was reported at \$64,634 and should reflect \$43,071.
- Line 47c was reported at \$44,403 and should reflect \$23,016.
- Line 47e was reported at \$14,597 and should reflect \$17,241.
- Line 47 was reported at \$178,606 and should reflect \$125,663.

- Line 48 was reported at \$166,456 and should reflect \$208,991.

- Line 49 was reported at \$330,000 and should reflect \$374,912.

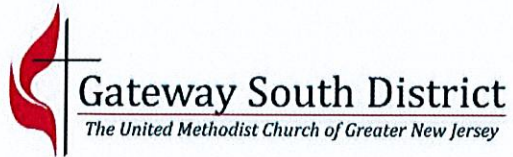
I am attaching an additional chart with the information above for greater detail. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Dave Falcone
Operations Director
dave@meethope.org

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		Reported Data	Data Adjustment Requested
46	Total amount spent for local church program expenses <small>Report the total of all amounts paid for local church program for the purposes of education, welfare, outreach, music, administration, worship, and other activities. DO NOT INCLUDE amounts given to support local or national non-LMBC groups and agencies in their programs. These amounts should be reported on Line 58.</small>	\$ 80,169.00	\$ 59,304.78
47a	Total amount paid for utilities for the church and church owned facilities. (Except parsonage) <small>This amount should include utility expenses such as electric, gas, water, phone and cable.</small>	\$ 54,972.00	\$ 42,335.10
47b	Total amount spent on property maintenance and repair for all church-owned facilities. <small>This amount should include amounts spent on building maintenance such as painting services, landscaping, snow removal, and repairs such as heating, cooling and plumbing. DO NOT include capital improvements, which are reported on Line 48 (see below for further details).</small>	\$ 64,634.00	\$ 43,070.99
47c	Total amount spent on church office supplies. <small>This amount should include items such as postage, paper, pens and computer software.</small>	\$ 44,403.00	\$ 23,016.78
47e	Total amount spent on all other operating expenses not already reported. <small>This amount should include all other operating expenses not reported on Lines 47a-c.</small>	\$ 14,597.00	\$ 17,240.83
47	Total amount spent for other local church operating expenses (SUM OF LINES 47a-47f)	\$ 178,606.00	\$ 125,663.20
48	Total amount paid for principal and interest on indebtedness, loans, mortgages, etc. <small>Report terms of payments on all loans, mortgages, etc. DO NOT INCLUDE principal and interest on money borrowed and repaid within the current fiscal year. This should be reported on lines corresponding to the purpose for which the money was borrowed.</small>	\$ 166,456.00	\$ 208,991.30
49	Total amount paid on capital expenditures for building, improvements, and major equipment purchases <small>Enter here only amounts paid from contributions, not from loans. Enter any outstanding indebtedness on Lines 26 or 27. Amounts contributed but not paid are (intended for use in future years) should be included on Line 28. Report what was paid for new property and buildings, major purchases of new equipment or furnishings (organs or other musical instruments, heating and cooling equipment, kitchen equipment, audio-visual equipment, furnishings) and major renovations. Also include short-term rent.</small>	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 374,911.60



June 30, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from **Hope UMC in Voorhees**. **I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistake is specific. Dave Falcone provides the line items where the made the mistake were made as well as the correct numbers.**

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for **Hope UMC**.

In Christ,

Rev. Myrna Bethke
Gateway South District Superintendent

Wenonah UMC
 Church Number 1060
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 13,852.00	\$ 13,852.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 3,993.00	\$ 3,993.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 12,318.00	\$ 12,318.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 326.00	\$ 326.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 43,417.00	\$ 31,017.00	\$ (12,400.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 14,392.00	\$ 14,392.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 88,298.00	\$ 75,898.00	\$ (12,400.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$14,216	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$88,298.00	\$14,216	
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$75,898.00	\$12,220	(\$1,996)

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June 29, 2018

Rev. Myrna Bethke,

I pray this letter finds you well. I am writing to request and appeal of the Wenonah United Methodist Church's Shared Ministries assessment for 2019.

Based on what is considered when considering the Shared Ministries for each church, we need to make adjustments to the following lines of our Year End Statistical Report.

47b currently reads: 22,603 and should instead read 10,203.
consequently line 47 should read 31,017

Something that is worth noting, even though it is not taken into consideration as part of the Shared Ministry Formula, is:

Line 52f currently reads 9,540 which is a gross number for our income from building usage, when we net out the cost of utilities for the groups that use our building, the actually number should be 0
Which means line 52t should read 67,185

Thank you for your consideration,

Rev. Jacqueline F. Pillot
Pastor at Wenonah United Methodist Church.

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June 30, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
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Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from **Wenonah UMC**. **I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistake is specific. Rev. Pillot provides the line item where she made the mistake as well as the correct number.**

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for **Wenonah UMC**.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myrna Bethke".

Rev. Myrna Bethke
Gateway South District Superintendent

Bloomingdale UMC
 Church Number 3004
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 46,520.00	\$ 46,520.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 4,346.00	\$ 4,346.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 23,483.00	\$ 23,483.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 2,220.00	\$ 2,220.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 14,744.00	\$ 10,806.00	\$ (3,938.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 28,898.00	\$ 28,898.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 123,711.00	\$ 119,773.00	\$ (3,938.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses *	\$19,917	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$123,711.00		
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$119,773.00	\$19,283	(\$634)

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Dear D.S Gina Kim and John Cardillo

Bloomingtondale UMC has made every effort to pay 100% of shared ministry and it is our desire to pay 100% continually. As we looked up the shared ministry 2019 we found that our portion has been increased \$1,195 even though our church expenditure has been decreased. This might be a small amount of increase for some churches but for a small congregation like us it is huge.

The total expenditure of BUMC 2017 was \$96,883 and there is a slight error. The line 47a should be \$2,254 instead of \$6,192. The person reported it didn't to "netting". We have a Daycare Center that consuming electricity the most. We recalculated it and the number is \$2,254.

According to the letter from John Cardillo, the shared ministry formula is: Local church expenses X 16.1% = Shared Ministry Amount. Than the shared ministry of BUMC should be lower than \$15,598.

We have been tracking number of pledges, total pledge dollars and our budget. In 2014 we had 58 pledge units total \$94,000 in 2018 we had 43 for \$68,400. Our budget is 2,000 lower in 2018 vs 2014 and is about the same as it was 12 years ago. Over the past 4 years we have paid 100% of our apportionments. Our congregation although aging has been very good in support of various projects to support the parsonage, church, our church service, food pantry and building usage for Scouts and AA meetings.

Financially this year will be very changeling as 2018 pledges have been low and already we have lost some members moving, transferring to nursing homes, sickness etc. BUMC relies heavily on the Day Care use of our facility, Income from Sunday's service covers about half of our budget.

Please consider lower the Shared Ministry amount so that we continue to pay 100% with the lowered amount. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

The Finance Committee of Bloomingtondale UMC

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Norman Lykes
Alan Gunderson
Darlene Nowak
Evelyn Hershey
Stephen Butkewitsch
Sandy Florence

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From: [Megan McKay](mailto:Megan_McKay)
To: [Megan McKay](mailto:Megan_McKay)
Subject: Appeal letter for shared ministry of Bloomingdale UMC
Date: Thursday, July 26, 2018 4:20:15 PM
Attachments: [Appeal Letter for Shared Ministry Bloomingdale UMC.docx](#)
[ATT00001.htm](#)

From: Gina Kim <gkim@gnjumc.org>
Date: July 1, 2018 at 10:01:51 PM EDT
To: John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>
Cc: Krystina Michalopoulos <KMichalopoulos@gnjumc.org>, Hannah Lee <pastorhannah@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: Appeal letter for shared ministry of Bloomingdale UMC

Hi, John,

I endorse the appeal letter from Bloomingdale UMC. Thank you for your careful consideration.

Today is my favorite day!

Gina

Rev. Dr. Gina Kim

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From: Hannah Lee [<mailto:pastorhannah@gmail.com>]

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Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 11:58 AM

To: Krystina Michalopoulos <KMichalopoulos@gnjumc.org>

Subject: Appeal letter for shared ministry of Bloomingdale UMC

Dear D.S. Gina,

The finance committee of Bloomingdale UMC requests your endorsement of the appeal.
Please read the attachment.

Thank you.

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From: [Gina Kim](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Subject: Re: Please review: 2019 Shared Ministry
Date: Friday, July 27, 2018 12:22:52 PM

Megan,
I support the appeal.

Today is my favorite day,
Gina Kim

On Jul 27, 2018, at 10:25 AM, Megan McKay <MMckay@gnjumc.org> wrote:

Hi Gina,

Would you please review the below Shared Ministry appeal and let me know by return email if you support this appeal?

Thank you,

Megan McKay
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From: Neal.Crouch@bmwfs.com [mailto:Neal.Crouch@bmwfs.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 10:55 PM
To: Megan McKay <MMckay@gnjumc.org>
Cc: jeanarlea@hotmail.com
Subject: RE: 2019 Shared Ministry

Dear Mr. Cardillo,

My name is Neal Crouch and I am the Finance Chairman for the Pearl River UMC. Initially when reading your email we were very relieved to read the Shared Ministry Commitments for 2019 would be reduced. However after reviewing the file, unfortunately for us the 2019 Shared Ministry Commitment was almost a 12% increase.

Church #	Church Name	2014 Shared Ministry % Paid	2015 Shared Ministry % Paid	2016 Shared Ministry % Paid	2017 Shared Ministry % Paid	2018 Shared Ministry	2019 Shared Ministry Amount
3043	UMC of Pearl River	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$26,692	\$29,839

As you can see the Pearl River UMC has proudly paid 100% of our Shared Ministry commitment for several years and continues to focus on paying our commitments. We struggle to understand how we could have increased when the general spirit was a reduction in the Shared Ministry Commitments. Once we investigated the variance it becomes apparent there are a few one-time expenses such as incremental expenses related to paying for pastoral services in between the transition of our New Pastor and our old Pastor. In addition, the incremental one-time moving expenses for moving the new Pastor also added to the base of the Shared Ministry calculation.

One other item that negatively impacts our base calculation of the Shared Ministries is related to the increase in expenses related to the custodian, landscaping (mowing and snow removal) and utilities for the property that was occupied by the sextons. In 2017, Pearl River UMC made a structural change in regards to removing the long standing sextons who provided custodian and landscape support in exchange for housing. This required the church to start paying for services that was fulfilled by the sextons. In addition, the utility expenses related to the property the sextons occupied was paid for by the sextons but once the sextons vacated the property Pearl River UMC was responsible for these expenses.

The incremental expenses related to the structural changes from removing our sextons and the one-time expenses related to the transition of our new pastor significantly impacted the base of the Shared Ministry Commitment calculation. For this reason, I am asking for an appeal on the 2019 Shared Ministry expenses. I calculated the total decrease from the Shared Ministries of the Palisades Region and it was a 7.22% total decrease. Using the Pearl River UMC 2018 Shared Ministry of \$26,692 as a basis for our calculation and deducting 7.22% (\$1,950) our proposed 2019 Shared Ministry Commitment would be \$25,042. Based on our current revenue and expense structure this would be a more feasible Shared Ministry Commitment for the Pearl River UMC for 2019.

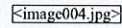
I am hoping that you and the District Superintendent also agree with our proposal and can help us navigate through the appeal process. I have included Rev. Jean Arlea Eriksen in my correspondence for transparency on this important topic.

Warm regards,

Neal Crouch
Finance Chair
Pearl River UMC.

From: John Cardillo [mailto:mmckay@gnjumc.org@mail146.atl61.mcsv.net] On Behalf Of John Cardillo
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 2:30 PM
To: Crouch Neal, SF2-US-R <Neal.Crouch@bmwfs.com>
Subject: 2019 Shared Ministry

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Dear Friends,

Last week at the GNJ Annual Conference session in Wildwood, United Methodists passed a budget that lowers the Shared Ministry percentage to 16.1% of a congregation's Shared Ministry base. The 2019 formula is part of a five year plan from the Council on Finance and Administration to continue to lower the Shared Ministry percentage with a goal of reaching 15.6% in 2022.

The 2019 Shared Ministry calculation for your church may now be accessed on our website by [clicking here](#). The calculation uses a congregation's expenses including lines 41a-47 of Table II of the local church statistical reports for 2017 plus the billed amounts for the prior year's Comprehensive Protection Plan (CPP), Clergy Retirement Security Program (CRSP), health insurance, property insurance and workers compensation. For more information about Shared Ministry please [click here](#).

If you believe there is a discrepancy in your congregations Shared Ministry calculation, you can request an appeal using the following procedure:

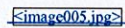
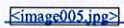
- Send an email to your regional administrator to request your District Superintendent's endorsement of the appeal. The email should include the reason(s) and financial analysis for your appeal with a list of the specific numerical errors in your statistical reports or billing calculations which resulted in an error in the Shared Ministry calculation. This letter must be received by your regional administrator by June 30, 2018 to be considered.
- Your regional administrator will send the request to your District Superintendent who will review your appeal request and determine whether he/she will endorse it.
- If your Superintendent supports the request for appeal, she/he will forward your letter along with his/her endorsement to John Cardillo for presentation at the Council on Finance and Administration for their review and consideration.

All requests for appeal need to be submitted by June 30, 2018. No appeals for 2019 Shared Ministry will be considered if received after June 30, 2018.

Thank you for commitment to the United Methodist connection shown by your commitment to Shared Ministry. We can do more together.

Sincerely,

John Cardillo
Conference Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services,
The United Methodist Church of Greater New Jersey



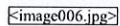
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Bethany Wayne UMC
 Church Number 3062
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 84,012.00	\$ 84,012.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 871,392.00	\$ 781,204.00	\$ (90,188.00)
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 646,335.00	\$ 578,691.00	\$ (67,644.00)
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 153,083.00	\$ 153,083.00	\$ -
Conference Billables	\$ 147,029.00	\$ 147,029.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 1,907,451.00	\$ 1,749,619.00	\$ (157,832.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula		Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	*		
Original Assessment-2019		\$307,100	
\$1,907,451.00	16.10%		
Revised Assessment-2019		\$281,689	(\$25,411)
\$1,749,619.00	16.10%		

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From: [John Cardillo](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Subject: FW: A Letter of Appeal
Date: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 11:58:23 AM
Attachments: [2017 Annual Statistical Report-Revised.xlsx](#)

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From: Gina Kim
Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 11:52 AM
To: John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>
Cc: Don Yu <emaildonyu@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: A Letter of Appeal

Hi, John,

I endorse the appeal from Bethany UMC. I talked to their treasurer and it is clear that Bethany made errors in reporting. Thank you for your consideration.

Today is my favorite day!
Gina

Rev. Dr. Gina Kim
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From: Don Yu <emildonyu@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 30, 2018 11:44 AM
To: Jessica Storer; Gina Kim
Cc: Kim Jong Eun; James Lee; Bethany Office
Subject: A Letter of Appeal

A letter for Correction:

Dear Ms. Storer and Rev. Gina Kim

My name is Dong Yu, Treasurer at Bethany UMC in Wayne. I have attached the revised 2017 Annual Statistical Report for your review.

Here are changes to the calculations. I also included comparison tab in the attached file.

- Conference Billings Total - In the calculation by UMC, \$147,029 was added to the \$1,760,422, which represents Statistical report total, to calculate Shared Ministry amount. However, \$1,760,422 already includes the \$147,029 in the line 45d and 46 and thus should be excluded.
- Mission Expenses - Mission Expenses were gross of mission income which should've been netted in the line 45a. However, we also netted mission income in the line 46.
- Shared Ministry - We did not exclude the Shared Ministry in the total expenses.

Also there are few minor adjustments to the expense/income allocation.

You will see that in the revised report, net income has changed from \$159,439 to \$673,201 as a result of excluding Shared Ministry payment (\$366,733) and Conference Billing(147,029).

Based on new calculation, Shared Ministry should be:

Statistical report total - 1,602,591
Conference Billings total - 147,029

Total Local Church Expenses - 1,749,620
2018 Shared Ministry figures – 1,749,620 * .161 = \$281,689

Please contact me if you have any questions for comments.

Thank you for your help.

Dong Yu
Treasurer
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From: **Jessica Storer** <jstorer@gnjumc.org>
Date: Tue, May 8, 2018 at 1:52 PM
Subject: RE: Requesting for adjustment (if necessary)
To: James Lee <bethanycem@gmail.com>
Cc: Karen Jankowski <KJankowski@gnjumc.org>, John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>

Thank you for this information James. I will get back to you as soon as I have discussed this with the Conference Treasurer. Thank you!

Jessica Storer
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From: James Lee [mailto:bethanycem@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 8, 2018 12:29 PM
To: Jessica Storer <jstorer@gnjumc.org>

Cc: Karen Jankowski <KJankowski@gnjumc.org>; John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>
Subject: Re: Requesting for adjustment (if necessary)

Ms Storer,

We had a chance to go over our report/statement and we realized that there has been "double expense" reported for last few years in our yearly report.

Based on our annual report, under the category #45d, we have been reporting expenses incurred for our church staff benefit, which included conference billing totals.

We didn't realize that on top of our yearly expense report, the Conference Billing was added to calculate our yearly apportionment.

We do recognize that it was our oversight in part.

At this point, we would appreciate your suggestion as to how we can make a necessary adjustment.

Thanks,

James

On Thu, May 3, 2018 at 9:58 AM, James Lee <bethanycem@gmail.com> wrote:

We need to go back and check with our finance dept, but I think there may have been "double expense" charged (basically, it is our mishap that needs to be corrected), for I think that within **our staff benefits and operation & programs expenses**, the health, property, and workers comp insurance may have been included.
Give us few days to look over our documents and see if there needs to be any adjustments.

Thank you for your help,

james

On Thu, May 3, 2018 at 9:52 AM, Jessica Storer <jstorer@gnjumc.org> wrote:

The conference billings is the total CPP, CRSP, Health Insurance, Property Insurance and Workers comp insurance that was billed to the church from the Conference Office.

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From: James Lee [mailto:bethanycem@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, May 3, 2018 9:50 AM

To: Jessica Storer <jstorer@gnjumc.org>

Cc: Karen Jankowski <KJankowski@gnjumc.org>; John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>

Subject: Re: Requesting for adjustment (if necessary)

Thank you for your prompt response.

A quick question...

what is the Conference billing total?

On Thu, May 3, 2018 at 9:47 AM, Jessica Storer <jstorer@gnjumc.org> wrote:

Good Morning James,

The figures that you added up are correct except that they are missing the conference billings total.

This would be:

Statistical report total – 2,221,856

Conference Billings total – 171,674

Total Local Church Expenses – 2,393,530

2018 Shared Ministry figures – 2,393,530 * .163 = 390,145

The 2019 shared ministry figures for Bethany UMC in Wayne are drastically reduced.

Statistical report total – 1,760,422

Conference Billings total – 147,029

Total Local Church Expenses – 1,907,451

2018 Shared Ministry figures – 1,907,451 * .161 = 307,100

Please let me know if you need additional information. Thank you and have a blessed day!

Jessica Storer

Business Analyst

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From: James Lee [<mailto:bethanycem@gmail.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, May 2, 2018 1:55 PM

To: Karen Jankowski <KJankowski@gnjumc.org>

Subject: Requesting for adjustment (if necessary)

Ms Jankowski,

My name is James Lee from Bethany UMC (in Wayne).

I had a chance to go over our shared ministry statement along with our 2016 Statistical report, and it **seems to be** a little discrepancy in numbers.

I would request your input.

(for your reference, I have attached our year 2016 & 2017 statistical report)

Based on my calculation, the total expense related to the Shared Ministry calculation is **\$2,221,856**,

and multiplying that amount by 16.3% yields 2018 Shared Ministry amount of **\$362,163**.

However, the shared ministry statement we've been receiving indicates the amount of **\$390,145**.

This would change our monthly apportionment from **\$32,512.09** to **\$30,180**.

Again, this might be our miscalculation.

Please advise once you had a chance to go over the numbers.

Blessing,

||| James

Table	Line	Description	2016	2017 REVISED
Table 1		MEMBERSHIP ROLL	-	-
Table 1	1	Total professing members reported at the close of last year	1,850	1,749
Table 1	2a	Received this year on Profession of Faith through confirmation	-	-
Table 1	2b	Received this year on Profession of Faith other than confirmation	105	-
Table 1	2c	Membership restored by Affirmation of Faith	-	-
Table 1	2d	Added by correction	17	-
Table 1	2e	Transferred in from another United Methodist Church	-	-
Table 1	2f	Transferred in from a non-United Methodist Church	3	-
Table 1	3a	Removed by Charge Conference Action	84	-
Table 1	3b	Withdrawn from Professing Membership	124	-
Table 1	3c	Removed by Correction	-	-
Table 1	3d	Transferred out to another United Methodist Church	3	-
Table 1	3e	Transferred out to a non-United Methodist Church	3	-
Table 1	3f	Removed by death/deceased	12	-
Table 1	4	TOTAL PROFESSING MEMBERS reported at the close of this year	1,749	-
Table 1		ETHNICITY	-	-
Table 1	5a	Asian	1,739	-
Table 1	5b	Black	-	-
Table 1	5c	Hispanic/Latino	-	-
Table 1	5d	Native American	-	-
Table 1	5e	Pacific Islander	-	-
Table 1	5f	White	-	-
Table 1	5g	Multiracial	10	-
Table 1	5	Total Membership Ethnicity (5a+5b+5c+5d+5e+5f+5g = 5 = 4)	-	-
Table 1		GENDER	-	-
Table 1	6a	Female	962	-
Table 1	6b	Male	787	-
Table 1	6	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP GENDER (6a+6b = 6 = 4)	-	-
Table 1		ATTENDANCE & BAPTISMS	-	-
Table 1	7	Average attendance at all weekly worship services	1,602	-
Table 1	7a	Number of persons who worship online	-	-
Table 1	8a	Number of persons baptized this year (ages 0-12 Years)	4	-
Table 1	8b	Number of persons baptized this year (ages 13 or older)	65	-
Table 1	8	Total number of persons baptized this year (sum of 8a+8b)	69	-
Table 1	9	Total Baptized Members who have not become Professing Members	-	-
Table 1	10	Number of other constituents of the church	-	-
Table 1		PARTICIPANTS IN CHRISTIAN FORMATION GROUPS (CFG), including Sunday School, educational classes, and other small group ministries	-	-
Table 1	11a	Number of CHILDREN CFG participants and leaders (ages 0-11)	210	-
Table 1	11b	Number of YOUTH CFG participants and leaders (ages 12-18)	255	-
Table 1	11c	Number of YOUNG ADULTS CFG participants and leaders (ages 19-30)	110	-

Table	Line	Description	2016	2017 REVISED
Table 1	11d	Number of OTHER ADULT CFG participants and leaders (ages 31+)	1,125	-
Table 1	11	TOTAL Christian Formation Group Participants (Total of lines 11a-d)	1,700	-
Table 1		CLASSES, VBS AND OTHER GROUPS	-	-
Table 1	12	Total enrolled in confirmation preparation classes this year	44	-
Table 1	13	Average weekly attendance (all ages) in Sunday Church School or other weekly education classes	378	-
Table 1	14	Number of participants in Vacation Bible School	110	-
Table 1	15	Number of ongoing Sunday Church School Classes offered	58	-
Table 1	16	Number of ongoing small groups, support groups, or classes offered (other than Sunday Church School)	-	-
Table 1	17	Number of support groups or small groups offered for a short term only	9	-
Table 1		UMM & UMW	-	-
Table 1	18a	Membership in United Methodist Men	-	-
Table 1	18b	Amount paid for projects (UMM)	-	-
Table 1	19a	Membership in United Methodist Women	-	-
Table 1	19b	Amount paid for local church and community work (UMW)	-	-
Table 1		MISSION	-	-
Table 1		*Please note:	-	-
Table 1	20a	Number of UMVIM teams sent from this local church	-	-
Table 1	20b	Number of persons sent out on UMVIM teams from this local church	-	-
Table 1	21	Total Number of community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy offered by this local church	-	-
Table 1	21a	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on global/regional health?	-	-
Table 1	21b	Of the ministries counted in Line 21, how many focus on engaging in ministry with the poor/socially marginalized?	-	-
Table 1	22	Number of persons from your congregation serving in mission/community ministries	289	-
Table 1	23	Number of persons served by community ministries for outreach, justice, and mercy	92	-
Table 2		ASSETS	-	-
Table 2	24	Market value of church-owned land, buildings, vehicles and equipment	7,362,410	7,362,410
Table 2	25	Market value of financial and other liquid assets	1,410,169	1,410,169
Table 2		DEBT	-	-
Table 2	26	Debt secured by church physical assets	-	-
Table 2	27	Other debt	-	-
Table 2		Church Expenditures	-	-
Table 2		Benevolent Giving	-	-
Table 2	37	Total amount given directly to United Methodist causes (not sent to Conference)	-	-
Table 2	38	Total amount given to non-United Methodist benevolent and charitable causes	853,343	347,473
Table 2		Clergy and Staff	-	-
Table 2		PENSION/HEALTH	-	-

Table	Line	Description	2016	2017 REVISED
Table 2		BASE COMPENSATION	-	-
Table 2	41a	Base compensation paid to/for the Senior Pastor or other person assigned or appointed in the lead pastoral role to the church.	77,070	60,000
Table 2	41b	Base compensation paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role.	44,659	24,012
Table 2	41c	Base compensation paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b.	-	-
Table 2		HOUSING BENEFITS	-	-
Table 2	42a	Housing benefits paid to/for Lead Pastor or person in lead pastoral role as described in 41a.	3,000	3,000
Table 2	42b	Housing benefits paid to/for all Associate Pastor(s) and other pastoral staff assigned or appointed to the church. Include deacons and other clergy in this role.	2,600	2,600
Table 2	42c	Housing benefits paid to/for any Deacons not included in 41a or 41b.	-	-
Table 2		OTHER BENEFITS	-	-
Table 2	43	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for accountable reimbursements	-	-
Table 2	44	Total amount paid to pastor and associate(s) for any other cash allowances (non accountable)	-	-
Table 2		STAFF	-	-
Table 2	45a	Total amount paid in gross salaries for Other Church Staff.	650,894	581,273
Table 2	45b	Total amount paid for the Church's (employer) portion of payroll taxes for other church staff.	49,793	44,467
Table 2	45c	Total amount paid to others, not on church payroll, such as substitutes, guest pastors and independent contractors (1099).	188,697	155,463
Table 2	45d	Total amount paid for Other Church Staff benefits.	106,097	-
Table 2	45	Total amount paid in salary and benefits for all other church staff and diaconal ministers (SUM OF LINES 45a-45d)	995,481	781,204
Table 2		OPERATIONS & PROGRAMS	-	-
Table 2	46	Total amount spent for local church program expenses	958,382	578,691
Table 2	47a	Total amount paid for utilities for the church and church owned facilities. (Except parsonage)	75,316	75,044
Table 2	47b	Total amount spent on property maintenance and repair for all church-owned facilities.	35,122	39,583
Table 2	47c	Total amount spent on church office supplies.	30,226	38,456
Table 2	47d	Total amount spent on facility rental fees.	-	-
Table 2	47e	Total amount spent on all other operating expenses not already reported.	-	-
Table 2	47f	Total amount spent on NON-Conference related Property, Liability and Worker's Comp Insurance.	-	-
Table 2	47	Total amount spent for other local church operating expenses (SUM OF LINES 47a-47f)	140,664	153,084
Table 2		Debt Payments and Building Improvements	-	-

Table	Line	Description	2016	2017 REVISED
Table 2	48	Total amount paid for principal and interest on indebtedness, loans, mortgages, etc.	-	-
Table 2	49	Total amount paid on capital expenditures for building, improvements, and major equipment purchases	68,673	66,134
Table 2	50b	Total Local Church Expenditures (Reported by the Local Church) (Sum of Lines 37+38+41a+41b+41c+42a+42b+42c+43+44+45+46+47+48+49)	3,143,872	2,016,197
Table 3	51	Number of giving units	120	120
Table 3	52	Received for Annual Budget/Spending Plan	-	-
Table 3	52a	Amount received through pledges	2,363,126	2,488,552
Table 3	52b	Amount received from non-pledging, but identified givers	175,946	180,102
Table 3	52c	Amount received from unidentified givers	21,806	19,687
Table 3	52d	Amount received from interest and dividends and/or transferred from liquid assets	6,226	8
Table 3	52e	Amount received from Sale of Church Assets for Budget	-	-
Table 3	52f	Amount received through building use fees, contributions, and rentals	13,502	-
Table 3	52g	Amount received through fundraisers and other sources	-	-
Table 3	52t	Total income for annual budget/spending plan	2,580,606.00	2,688,348
Table 3	53	Received for Capital Campaigns and other designated special projects	-	-
Table 3	53a	Capital campaigns	2,530	1,050
Table 3	53b	Memorials, endowments, and bequests	-	-
Table 3	53c	Funds from other sources and projects, including sale of buil	-	-
Table 3	53d	Amount received for Special Sundays, General Advance Specials, World Service Specials, Conference Advance Specials and other forms of directed benevolent (charitable) giving	-	-
Table 3	53t	Total income for designated causes including capital campaign and other special projects	2,530	1,050
Table 3	54	Income from Connectional Funds or other external sources	-	-
Table 3	54a	Equitable Compensation Funds received by Church or Pastor	-	-
Table 3	54b	Advance Special, apportioned, and connectional funds received by church	-	-
Table 3	54c	Other grants and financial support from institutional sources	-	-
Table 3	54t	Total income from connectional and other institutional sources outside the local church	-	-
Table 3	55	TOTAL CHURCH INCOME (Sum of Lines 52 + 53 + 54)	2,583,136.00	2,689,398

Orange UMC
 Church Number 4049
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 1,692.00	\$ 1,692.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 25,843.00	\$ 23,856.00	\$ (1,987.00)
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 26,943.00	\$ 18,088.00	\$ (8,855.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 13,829.00	\$ 13,829.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 97,307.00	\$ 86,465.00	\$ (10,842.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$15,666	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$97,307.00		
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$86,465.00	\$13,921	(\$1,746)

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From: [dotcyntra3](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Cc: [romamorris45@aol.com](#); [Prescott Butler](#)
Subject: UMC 4049 Statistical Assets Updates
Date: Monday, August 6, 2018 12:11:29 PM

Good Blessed Morning,

Here are the updates to our report.

Line 45b- \$2,376.44	4363.00
Line 47a- \$16,242	21242.00
Line 47b- \$1,134	4989.00
Line 49- \$4,263.70	

In addition our church number is 4049

Do you have any questions please give me a call 973-768-2986

Thank you and God bless
Tracey

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Warren Grove UMC
 Church Number 5064
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 6,340.00	\$ 6,340.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 6,031.00	\$ 2,031.00	\$ (4,000.00)
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 1,468.00	\$ 1,468.00	\$ -
Conference Billables	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 15,139.00	\$ 11,139.00	\$ (4,000.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula		Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	*	16.10%	
Original Assessment-2019		\$2,437	
\$15,139.00	*	16.10%	
Revised Assessment-2019		\$1,793	(\$644)
\$11,139.00	*	16.10%	

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WARREN GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1423 Main Street Route 539

Warren Grove, NJ 08005

Church # 5064

Hi Gina,

June 7, 2018

I have discovered a problem with our 2019 Shared Ministry assessment amount when I received an email from John Cardillo on May 30, 2018. I looked up Warren Grove's amount and found it when up to \$2,437 from \$1749 and that is a difference of \$688. I thought that the amount would be going down in the future with the lower percentage rate.

I contacted by email John Cardillo and a Megan McKay responded to my email to John. She gave me the information to search my copy of the 2018 Statistical Report for my church and I found that I made a mistake on line 47 f the amount is wrong it has \$5,031, but it should be \$1,000 instead. I cannot understand why I did it. I am very sorry for the mistake.

Being a small church and every dollar in our bank account is very important for us to be able stay open every year. I have not taken a pay increase in over ten years now. I love my congregation and I feel honored to be their pastor over the past 17 years now.

I am requesting you to appeal the Warren Grove's 2019 Shared Ministry assessment. I realize you are away on Spiritual Renewal leave until August 22, but when you can will you help me in this problem. I want to thank you very much for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Rev. Barry H. Steinmetz

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June 7, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from Warren Grove UMC. On behalf of Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson, I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistake is specific. Rev. Steinmetz provides the line item where he made the mistake as well as the correct number.

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for Warren Grove UMC.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Drew Dyson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rev. Dr. Drew Dyson
Raritan Valley District Superintendent
(On behalf of Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson)

West Belmar UMC
 Church Number 5066
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 30,872.00	\$ 30,872.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 4,612.00	\$ 4,612.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 2,376.00	\$ 2,376.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 21,540.00	\$ 21,540.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 1,337.00	\$ 1,337.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 9,880.00	\$ 8,755.00	\$ (1,125.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 9,722.00	\$ 9,722.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 80,339.00	\$ 79,214.00	\$ (1,125.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$12,935	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$80,339.00		
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$79,214.00	\$12,753	(\$181)

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6/22/2018

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Hi Megan and Myrna,

I have researched your requests.

47b was \$2653; should be \$1491

47c was \$925; should be \$962

47 total was \$9880; should be \$8755

Originally I was following the 2019 shared ministry calculation. And under prior year billed amounts, I saw the classification for health insurance.

I figured the conference was filling in all the amounts for CPP, CRSP, health insurance, property insurance and worker's comp.

Then today, after Myrna's questions, I started looking for those amounts from my Clergy Compensation report. Health insurance is listed as zero. So that can be dropped off the request for review as long as that is where the conference looks for those figures.

Thanks for all your help.
Peace, Sandie Campanell

From: Sandie [<mailto:GodnSandie@aol.com>]

Sent: Saturday, June 9, 2018 4:59 PM

To: Deborah Sidorakis <DSidorakis@gnjumc.org>; godnsandie@aol.com

Subject: Re: FW: Voicemail/Shared Ministry

Dear Gina Hendrickson,

The following information is for Shared Ministries discrepancies.

West Belmar UMC was first told that we would be \$900. less for Shared Ministries. Now we found out that we are to pay \$500. more.

Yikes!! So, our financial chair and myself worked separately to see if we made any mistakes. And this is what we found.

47b should be \$1491.

47c should be \$962. (a bit more)

47 should be \$8755.

Also we included my health insurance and I'm a part time local pastor. I don't receive health insurance from the conference.

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So, \$3185.92 should also come off.

Dental was already included and remains in the original totals.

Thank you so much for your help.
Blessings, Sandie Campanell

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



July 1, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

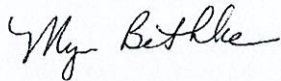
Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from **W. Belmar UMC**. On behalf of Rev. Gina Hendrickson who is on renewal leave, **I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistakes are specific. Rev. Campanell provides the line items where the made the mistakes were made as well as the correct numbers.**

I have included the email string from Rev. Campanell for some history because there appears to be some confusion regarding health insurance benefits.

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for **W. Belmar UMC**.

In Christ,



Rev. Myrna Bethke
Gateway South District Superintendent
(On behalf of Rev. Dr. Gina Hendrickson)

Debows UMC
 Church Number 6016
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 21,159.00	\$ 21,159.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 2,830.00	\$ 1,613.00	\$ (1,217.00)
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 16,148.00	\$ 16,148.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 2,420.00	\$ 2,420.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 11,724.00	\$ 11,724.00	\$ -
Conference Billables	\$ 5,264.00	\$ 5,264.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 59,545.00	\$ 58,328.00	\$ (1,217.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula		Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	*		
			16.10%
Original Assessment-2019		\$9,587	
\$59,545.00	*		16.10%
Revised Assessment-2019		\$9,391	
\$58,328.00	*		16.10%
			(\$196)

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From: [Megan McKay](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Subject: FW: DeBows 2019 Shared Ministry
Date: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 11:58:54 AM

From: Susan Hayward <jerseysue@outlook.com>
Date: July 19, 2018 at 9:05:26 PM EDT
To: John Cardillo <jcardillo@gnjumc.org>
Subject: FW: DeBows 2019 Shared Ministry

John

The amount that I reported on line 43 was incorrect. I included the retirement money that was sent to conference for Wren Hillis. The amount on line 43 should have been \$1613 instead of \$2830.

Please let me know if you need any other information.

Sue

From: Susan Hayward [<mailto:jerseysue@outlook.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 6:52 PM
To: Megan McKay <MMckay@gnjumc.org>
Subject: RE: 2019 Shared Ministry

Megan

I think I do need to appeal.

Looking at the numbers on the Statistical Report I get this:

21159
2830
16148
2420
11724

Totals $54281 + 1219 + 3763 + 282 = 59545 * .161 = 9586$

This does match the amount stated.

What I found out is that I double-counted retirement. This is the first year we had a minister where we paid retirement. I included the retirement amount in the expenses on line 43.

Can this be adjusted now? That would reduce our expenses to 58326 and apportionments to 9390.

Please let me know what I have to do.

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Thanks.

Sue

This appeal request is approved for review by CF&A per the Capital District Superintendent.

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From: [Herb Mertz](#)
To: [Central Region](#)
Cc: [Jessica Winderweedle](#)
Subject: Kingston UMC appeal regarding shared ministry
Date: Thursday, June 28, 2018 9:41:42 PM

To Whom it May Concern,

We would like to appeal our shared ministry assessment, which has changed from \$15,577 in 2018 to \$20,750 in 2019. This is a 33% increase. Our appeal is on two grounds.

First, Kingston UMC has been operating under conference grants for the last 5 1/2 years, ending June 30. During this period, we increased our spending as we utilized the grant money. Based on conference policy, the grant portion of our spending was subtracted from our operating expenses before our shared ministry was assessed. With the grants ending, we will now be running a deficit for the next 1 1/2 years as we seek to rearrange and bring down financial and staff commitments and utilize this period to grow our financial base. The last major grant was \$50,000 such that our reported shared ministry-based operating expense base was \$99,833. Now without the grant we are reporting approximately \$133,859, which has caused the large increase in our assessment. We would request that for at least a year, we are held to a smaller increase while we try to stabilize our situation.

Second, I believe that in the past (at some point, but I may be wrong about this) there was a percentage cap on the increase in the assessment from one year to the next.

Regards,
Herb Mertz
Treasurer, Kingston UMC

This appeal request is approved for review by CF&A per the Capital District Superintendent.

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Quakertown UMC
 Church Number 7053
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 5,952.00	\$ 5,952.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,190.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 22,009.00	\$ 16,481.00	\$ (5,528.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 4,975.00	\$ 4,975.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 42,226.00	\$ 36,698.00	\$ (5,528.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$6,798	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$42,226.00		
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$36,698.00	\$5,908	(\$890)

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requesting an appeal for Shared Ministry Calculation --

On August 2, 2018 at 10:30 AM Edythe Palmer <revjoan@comcast.net> wrote:

August 2, 2018

Dear Megan,

FINALLY here is the information needed that we started talking about the second half of July -- Our treasurer Bob Perdue has supplied me with information about 47b on 2017 Statistics-- the information of \$10, 616 given in January 2018 is incorrect --\$5,087.56 is the correct amount. Bob has supplied records for both 47b and 49 to support the two amounts on 2017 Statistics.

I am sending them off to you for you and others to review. My phone number is 908 850 9734 in case you want to reach me by phone.

Many thanks for your help.

Sincerely, Rev. Joan Rev. E. Joan Palmer

Rev E. Joan Palmer

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August 8, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from Quakertown UMC. I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistake is specific. Rev. Palmer provides the line item where she made the mistake as well as the correct number.

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for Quakertown UMC.

In Christ,

Rev. Dr. Drew Dyson
Raritan Valley District Superintendent

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From: [Jennifer Creran](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Subject: FW: 2019 Shared Ministry Appeal Haleyville
Date: Thursday, June 28, 2018 3:02:45 PM

Hi,

I wasn't certain if I forwarded this to you or not from Mark Sheppard. If I did then please disregard.

Jennifer, This is a letter of appeal for Haleyville Methodist Church #8027. After reviewing everything that I could find after your E-Mail and Megan's E-Mail, I am offering the following:

Line 41a: 3% was due to DS Roberts giving the new Pastor a Salary that we could not afford, instead offering us a Grant that was supposed to be paid by the Conference in 2017. We had to initiate many phone calls, E-Mails, In - Person meetings to finally get the Grant that the Conference promised. Well, the Conference dragged their feet and still did not pay us the Grant until Feb. 2018. It is not our fault that we had to pay more for the Salary for the new Pastor, instead of using Grant money to offset the increase. This grant should have been applied to 2017, not 2018 and we are therefore being penalized for the Conference mistake/miscommunication. This does influence the 2019 Shared Ministry. Line 42: 15% increase was due to being nice and upgrading the Parsonage with carpet, paint and other items so the new Pastor would have a better place to live. (We didn't have to do this, but we felt it would give us a place that the new Pastor might want to stay around for a few years.) This expense is being paid back over a period of time. Line 43: This increase was for mileage as the last Pastor donated his mileage. Line 44: This increase was for moving expenses for the new Pastor. Line 47b: This increase of 106% was to repair our heater so people did not have to sit in a cold church. Line 47c: This was for a computer for the Pastor as the old Pastor utilized his own computer. Every increase that we incurred was brought upon us by the Conference insisting on us taking a Clergy in Full Connection when in our E-Mail dated 25 Jan. 2017 to Rev. Roberts we clearly requested a Full Time Local Pastor or an Associate Member. We thought that the Salary Grant offered by the Conference was supposed to help us out. (The Grant was based on a 3 year declining scale). Now it appears that we have been misled by the Conference and are now being penalized. We enjoy our Pastor and are making cuts across the board so we can pay the Salary range on our own. No one is saying what a good job we are doing by cutting our own expenses to help meet this goal. I thought the CF&A was supposed to help the church decrease the Shared Ministry percentage to 16.1%. If am correct, most churches did not decrease, they actually increased. I do realize that when a church takes on a new Pastor that things do change and new expenses do occur, but the Conference should not waive a Grant in our face to say they are going to help and then when they fail to deliver the goods in a timely fashion, we are the ones who are being penalized. I concur with your figures for 2017 billings and the other EZRA stats, but as you can clearly see that I disagree with why we are being hit with the over \$800 increase in 2019 Shared Ministry

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figures. Thank you for your time and anything that you can do to help us decrease the 2019 figure. MarkSheppard1@comcast.net. Administrative Chairman and Treasurer.

This appeal **not** supported by the covering district superintendent, Rev. Myrna Bethke, 8/2/18.

Central UMC
Church Number 8031
Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 131,584.00	\$ 131,584.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 9,981.00	\$ 9,981.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 9,173.00	\$ 9,173.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 210,295.00	\$ 178,295.00	\$ (32,000.00)
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 36,005.00	\$ 36,005.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 117,802.00	\$ 88,785.00	\$ (29,017.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 69,508.00	\$ 69,508.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 584,348.00	\$ 523,331.00	\$ (61,017.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$94,080	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$584,348.00	\$94,080	
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$523,331.00	\$84,256	(\$9,824)



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Central United Methodist Church

5 West Marvin Avenue
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July 2, 2018

Rev. Brian Roberts
Cape Atlantic District Superintendent
Mission Resource Center
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, New Jersey 07753

Dear Rev. Roberts,

On behalf of Central United Methodist Church, Linwood, New Jersey (Alignment Number 08031, GCNO 053144) I am writing to appeal our 2019 Shared Ministry. Please refer to the schedule below for the three line items in consideration.

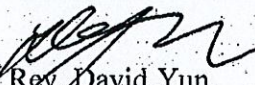
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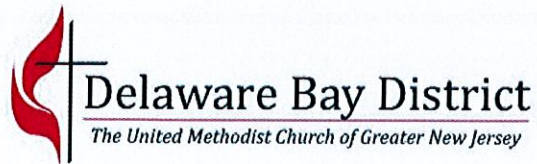
Line Item	2017 Submitted	2017 Revised	Variance	Line Item Justification
45d	33,635	1,635	-32,000	Back Pension
47a	28,282	21,211	-7,071	25% Mission Usage Not Netted
47b	26,721	4,775	-21,946	Capital Improvement Expense
Total	88,638	27,621	-61,017	

If you have any additional questions, please contact me at (609) 927-4882.

Respectfully yours,


Rev. David Yun
Senior Pastor
Central United Methodist Church

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July 10, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from Central UMC in Linwood. On behalf of Rev. Brian Roberts, Cape Atlantic District Superintendent who is on renewal leave, I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The letter indicates where mistakes were made and corrections.

I appreciate any consideration the Council can give to Central UMC, Linwood.

Joy and Peace,

Glenn J. Conaway
Delaware Bay District Superintendent

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Trinity UMC
Church Number 9048
Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 98,403.00	\$ 98,403.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 22,530.00	\$ 22,530.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 6,900.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 314,535.00	\$ 266,093.00	\$ (48,442.00)
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 51,776.00	\$ 51,776.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 92,405.00	\$ 80,732.00	\$ (11,673.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 58,098.00	\$ 58,098.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 644,647.00	\$ 584,532.00	\$ (60,115.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula

Local Church Expenses	*	16.10%	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Original Assessment-2019			\$103,788	
\$644,647.00	*	16.10%		
Revised Assessment-2019			\$94,110	(\$9,679)
\$584,532.00	*	16.10%		

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June 27, 2018

Reverend Myrna Bethke

Greater New Jersey United Methodist Church

205 Jumping Brook Road

Neptune, NJ 07753-3197

Dear Myrna:

Thank you for pointing me in the direction of what data is used to calculate Shared Ministry. I was able to find and follow the 2016 year-end report submitted by Pastor Glenn and compare it to what I submitted for year-end 2017. There are a few significant changes to both years I've highlighted in the attached spreadsheet, but here is the detail.

1. Under the heading of staff health insurance paid to third part insurers (i.e. not Conference insurance), the only employee under this heading is our organist. In her case, we directly pay United Healthcare for her medical insurance premiums. In 2016, Glenn reported \$28,548 when the premiums were \$3,299, and for 2017 I reported \$52,280 when the premiums were only \$3,838. In both our cases we included all insurance amounts paid on our employee's behalf including Conference payments.
2. In 2017 I reported Scott Rambo's salary as part of the "Salaries paid to Bishop-appointed pastors" which Scott is not.
3. Like #2 I reported the "Utilities" for Rambo AND the "Maintenance" on that house.
4. For "Pastor's Reimbursable Expenses" I included all Pastors (3) and not just the Bishop appointed clergy (1).
5. In 2017, under the church property maintenance, we did extensive work to both parsonages. When I looked at the Conference definition of capital some of those expenses, including church maintenance expenses, were reclassified as CAPEX.

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In short, the Trinity Shared Ministry calculation input for 2016 should be reduced by \$25,249, and for 2017, \$101,881. For the year 2017, any money we overpaid can be applied to our 2018 payments, and we would expect our 2018 assessment to be recalculated as well as our 2019 projected assessment.

I am sorry for the transitional errors we made but moving forward I'm confident the data will be more consistent.

In Christ's Service,

C. Douglas Brown

Business Administrator

Trinity United Methodist Church

dbrown@trinitymullicahill.org

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cc. Reverend Ronald Smith, Senior Pastor
Mr. Tony Fortini, Chairperson of Finance

Conference Shared Ministry Analysis 2016-2017
 Shared Ministry Assessment Values 2017-2018

Line Item	2016 Reported	2016 Actual	Difference	NOTE	2017 Reported	2017 Actual	Difference	NOTE
Bishop Assigned Pastoral Salary	\$ 114,565	\$ 114,565	\$ -		\$ 98,403	\$ 81,390	\$ (17,013)	Included Rambo
" " Housing Expense (Util)	\$ 10,520	\$ 10,520	\$ -		\$ 22,530	\$ 3,232	\$ (19,298)	Included Rambo & Maint.
" " Personal Reimbursement	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,250	\$ -		\$ 6,900	\$ 1,445	\$ (5,455)	Included all pastoral
Salary for deacon, etc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
All other staff salary	\$ 211,679	\$ 211,679	\$ -		\$ 241,499	\$ 241,499	\$ -	
Payroll tax church portion	\$ 16,193	\$ 16,193	\$ -		\$ 20,756	\$ 20,756	\$ -	
Non-payroll staff payments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Staff Health ins. not paid to conference	\$ 28,548	\$ 3,299	\$ (25,249)	Only organist	\$ 52,280	\$ 3,838	\$ (48,442)	Only organist
Church Program Expenses	\$ 42,362	\$ 42,362	\$ -		\$ 51,776	\$ 51,776	\$ -	
Utilities for church not parsonage	\$ 16,957	\$ 16,957	\$ -		\$ 16,200	\$ 16,200	\$ -	
Church Property maint/repair (exc. CAP)	\$ 19,024	\$ 19,024	\$ -		\$ 33,334	\$ 21,661	\$ (11,673)	Included some CAPEX (see below)
Office Supplies	\$ 48,311	\$ 48,311	\$ -		\$ 23,405	\$ 23,405	\$ -	
Property & Liability outside Conference	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Amount paid to use church	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Other OPEX	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 19,466	\$ 19,466	\$ -	
Total	\$ 510,409	\$ 485,160	\$ (25,249)		\$ 586,549	\$ 484,668	\$ (101,881)	

Removed from Maint.: homeowner dues/new heat exchanger church/Life/Hazard use permit/State of NJ permit



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June 25, 2018

Reverend Myrna Bethke

Greater New Jersey United Methodist Church

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Neptune, NJ 07753-3197

Dear Myrna:

I am requesting a 3-year freeze on our Shared Ministry Giving at the 2017 level of \$91,569. On July 1, 2017 our pastor of 24 years was promoted by the Cabinet to District Superintendent. While a pastoral change will always bring about some uncertainty, our giving and attendance is down in 2018 by 14% and 10% respectively. While this is not unexpected after such a change, it is burdensome on the finances of the church. It is also important to note that this pattern in our giving did not start with the pastoral change, however, the change has exacerbated the trend. While the Conference is advertising overall decreases in Shared Ministry, Trinity's assessment is as follows:

Year	Assessment	Increase
2016	\$86,437	-
2017	\$91,569	5.9%
2018	\$97,047	6.0%
2019	\$103,788	6.9%

As you can see, while the national inflation rate remained at an historic low near 0%, Trinity's share inflated substantially. Based on the 2019 projection, Trinity will pay the highest level of Shared Ministry of any church in the Delaware Bay District. This is being asked of Trinity at a time when there is a significant amount of change and uncertainty facing the congregation. It is also significant to note that as of January 1, 2018, the 30-year mortgage on the church was paid in full, 15 years early, at a savings



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of well over \$1MM. The United Methodist Conference now owns a property, debt free, which is a huge accomplishment given the changes imposed upon Trinity in 2017.

To conclude, Trinity is currently 2 months in arrears on our 2018 Shared Ministry as we have had to build in a small safety net for our expenses. Therefore, it is my request that Trinity's Shared Ministry portion be frozen at the level of \$91,569, for the years 2018/2019/2020, while we attempt to reverse the financial momentum that was building since early in 2017.

I sincerely and respectfully ask for this freeze. Arguably one of the most active and impactful churches in the state of New Jersey, I would pray that the leadership of our denomination would support Trinity's efforts to regain our financial status. Great things continue to happen at Trinity, and I am sure you will join me in doing everything you can to ensure that tradition continues far into the 21st century.

In Christ's Service,

C. Douglas Brown

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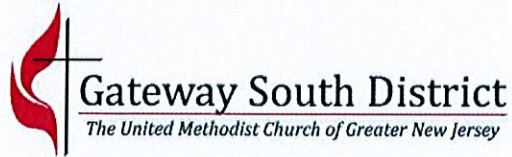
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Church #	Church Name	2014 Shared Ministry % Paid	2015 Shared Ministry % Paid	2016 Shared Ministry % Paid	2017 Shared Ministry % Paid	2018 Shared Ministry	2019 Shared Ministry Amount
9000 Delaware Bay District							
9001	Aldine UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	99.96%	\$68,459	\$62,043
9002	Alloway UMC	11.19%	9.71%	10.24%	18.85%	\$7,207	\$7,481
9003	Ebenezer UMC (Auburn)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$4,019	\$4,234
9004	Aura UMC (Monroeville)	12.48%	22.11%	36.15%	36.44%	\$4,327	\$3,373
9005	St Paul's UMC (Bridgeport)	100.00%	85.99%	39.11%	65.62%	\$4,087	\$4,045
9007	First UMC (Bridgeton)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$16,225	\$16,117
9008	Friendship-Finley UMC (Bridgeton)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$3,344	\$3,419
9009	John Wesley UMC (Bridgeton)	25.86%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$14,408	\$16,130
9010	Trinity UMC (Bridgeton)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$8,514	\$8,200
9012	West Park UMC (Bridgeton)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$49,246	\$52,701
9013	Canton UMC	76.37%	1.23%	4.46%	8.92%	\$4,736	\$4,473
9015	Cedarville UMC	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	\$1,512	\$1,567
9016	Olivet UMC (Pittsgrove)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$30,092	\$24,132
9017	Centre Grove UMC	22.28%	50.00%	66.66%	83.33%	\$2,820	\$3,379
9020	Trinity UMC (Clayton)	52.28%	45.50%	44.86%	21.25%	\$22,590	\$22,653
9021	Deepwater First UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	83.34%	\$4,229	\$4,340
9022	Deerfield UMC	10.00%	37.28%	89.19%	91.67%	\$10,177	\$10,047
9023	Zion UMC (Dividing Creek)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$6,644	\$6,590
9024	Downer UMC (Williamstown)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,260	\$5,842
9025	Elmer UMC	101.35%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$33,449	\$30,421
9026	Ewan UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	50.75%	\$4,892	\$4,854
9027	Falton UMC	99.99%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,759	\$5,628
9028	Ferrell UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	16.67%	\$6,243	\$6,365
9029	St John's UMC (Fordville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$6,968	\$7,492
9030	Franklinville UMC	11.05%	22.08%	38.80%	37.32%	\$22,000	\$21,806
9031	First UMC (Glassboro)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$39,224	\$37,791
9032	Haines Neck UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,772	\$5,925
9033	Hancock's Bridge UMC	100.02%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,510	\$5,917
9034	St John's UMC (Harrisonville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$11,890	\$12,506
9035	Hurffville Bethel UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$14,296	\$16,370
9037	Malaga UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$10,227	\$9,934
9038	First UMC (Millville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$63,740	\$69,028
9039	Fourth UMC (Millville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$17,556	\$17,493
9040	Mt Pleasant UMC (Millville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$6,469	\$5,498
9043	Trinity UMC (Millville)	48.37%	55.96%	100.00%	100.00%	\$9,245	\$9,689
9044	West Side UMC (Millville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$3,469	\$3,335
9045	Minotola UMC	25.30%	31.71%	100.00%	100.00%	\$3,803	\$3,434

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Church #	Church Name	2014 Shared Ministry % Paid	2015 Shared Ministry % Paid	2016 Shared Ministry % Paid	2017 Shared Ministry % Paid	2018 Shared Ministry	2019 Shared Ministry Amount
9047	Friendship UMC (Monroeville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$8,661	\$9,371
9048	Trinity UMC (Mullica Hill)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$97,047	\$103,788
9049	First UMC (Newfield)	100.00%	101.05%	100.00%	100.00%	\$9,369	\$10,341
9050	Newport UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$3,694	\$4,273
9051	Hudson UMC (Pedricktown)	69.35%	70.01%	70.28%	74.46%	\$6,950	\$6,821
9054	Trinity UMC (Pennsville)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$24,891	\$29,341
9055	Piney Hollow UMC (Newfield)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$2,548	\$2,516
9056	Pitman UMC	40.00%	43.69%	49.18%	40.05%	\$61,489	\$59,918
9057	Plainville UMC (Franklinville)	99.99%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$2,324	\$2,699
9058	Porchtown Zion UMC (Newfield)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	25.00%	\$7,982	\$6,921
9059	Quinton UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,980	\$6,457
9060	Haven UMC (Quinton)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.60%	\$10,097	\$12,689
9061	Richwood UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$25,783	\$28,623
9062	Rosenhayn UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,365	\$5,431
9063	Broadway UMC (Salem)	46.73%	48.37%	46.96%	56.88%	\$10,260	\$10,821
9065	Mt Hope UMC (Salem)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$10,964	\$9,899
9066	Sharptown UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$101,069	\$93,718
9067	Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$40,245	\$39,293
9068	Union Grove UMC (Pittsgrove)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$4,392	\$4,350
9069	First UMC (Vineland)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$27,610	\$28,610
9070	South Vineland UMC	16.67%	100.00%	25.00%	50.00%	\$17,087	\$15,864
9071	Willow Grove UMC (Pittsgrove)	12.50%	50.00%	65.85%	100.00%	\$2,669	\$2,806
9072	Woodruff UMC	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$5,039	\$4,763
9073	Asbury UMC (Woodstown)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$19,268	\$16,983
9074	New Hope UMC (Millville)		82.94%	20.06%	100.00%	\$23,097	\$21,930
9075	New Hope UMC (Penns Grove)				90.55%	\$20,947	\$15,994



July 1, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from **Trinity UMC in Mullica Hill**. On behalf of Rev. Glenn Conaway who is on vacation, **I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry. The mistakes are specific. Doug Brown provides the line items where the made the mistakes were made as well as the correct numbers.**

In addition, you will notice that Doug is looking to go back and have other years reconsidered. We have shared with him that right now we are looking at his 2019 shared ministries. I am scheduling to meet with the leaders of the congregation to address the other concerns that Doug raised. If you have any guidance for me in his request, please let me know.

I thank the Council for any consideration they might be able to give for **Trinity UMC**.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myrna Bethke".

Rev. Myrna Bethke
Gateway South District Superintendent

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APPEAL

Made by Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro – 9067)

2019 Shared Ministry Allocation

June 16, 2018

Upon receipt of the 2019 Shared Ministry letter and email from the GNJAC Treasurer's Office on May 30, 2018 and subsequent review of the calculation and amount for Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro – 9067), and in consideration of a notable and persistent decline in attendance and tithes and offerings, the Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro – 9067) Church Council find it necessary to submit this Appeal.

BACKGROUND

Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro – 9067) has a long history of paying 100% of shared ministry expenses and maintaining solid, if not thriving, attendance and finances. Unfortunately, due to the current reality, difficult decisions need to be made in the immediate and near term in order to stabilize this ministry.

Difficult decisions already made include:

- Reduced by 37% 2018 Shared Ministry remittances (effective March).
- Reduced by 25% non-clergy staff pay (effective May).
- Moved office to Church building and closed Annex building.

Other efforts and actions made or under consideration include:

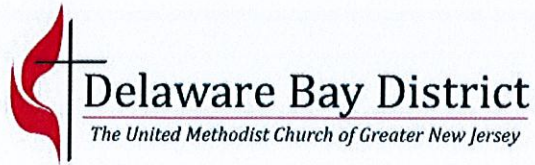
- Applied for GNJAC Grant Fall 2018 (unsuccessful).
- Applied for GNJAC Grant Spring 2019 (approved for \$2,000).
- Change of venue, time and content for Early Worship from Sanctuary to Fellowship Hall.
- Youth and Children's ministries continue to pursue new, more effective offerings.
- Enroll in GNJAC sponsored 'Taking the Next Step' campaign (Horizon Stewardship) @ 50% cost share of \$1,900 per local church.

APPEAL REQUEST

Reduce the 2019 Shared Ministry allocation to Bethesda UMC (Swedesboro – 9067) by 33%.

This appeal is made as a 1-time request and with the expectation that by 2020 church attendance, offerings, and financial assets can support the return to the Shared Ministry allocation formula.

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July 9, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from Bethesda UMC, Swedesboro. I have been working with Bethesda in recent months and can attest that they are having financial difficulties at this time. They have made tough decisions of downsizing and reducing salaries where possible to help reduce expenses, be effective in ministry, and continue to support the connectional system in Fair Share Giving. Bethesda is also being proactive in working to correct this trend and are engaged in a stewardship development that will help them in the future. I do support the request for consideration in helping to reduce the 2019 Fair Share Ministry knowing that they have been faithful in reaching 100% in the past and are making strides to be a full partner in our Annual Conference.

I appreciate any consideration the Council can give to Bethesda UMC, Swedesboro.

Joy and Peace,

Glenn J. Conaway
Delaware Bay District Superintendent

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First UMC Vineland
 Church Number 9069
 Analysis of 2019 Shared Ministry Reallocation

Description	Original Expenses 2017	Revised Expenses 2017	Difference (Inc)/Dec
Pastor Wages-Line 41	\$ 48,020.00	\$ 48,020.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor's Wages-Line 42	\$ 7,946.00	\$ 7,946.00	\$ -
Parsonage Expenses-Line 43	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
Accountable Reimbursements-Line 44	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Staff Compensation-Line 45	\$ 30,042.00	\$ 30,042.00	\$ -
Church Program Expenses-Line 46	\$ 2,525.00	\$ 2,525.00	\$ -
Church Operating Expenses-Line 47	\$ 46,988.00	\$ 44,207.00	\$ (2,781.00)
Conference Billables	\$ 37,183.00	\$ 37,183.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 177,704.00	\$ 174,923.00	\$ (2,781.00)

Shared Ministry Calculation-2019

Shared Ministry Formula	Preliminary Assessment	Difference
Local Church Expenses	\$28,610	
Original Assessment-2019		
\$177,704.00	\$28,610	
Revised Assessment-2019		
\$174,923.00	\$28,163	(\$448)

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Ms. Beverly Slimmer, Administrative Assistant (firstchurch4u@comcast.net)

June 27, 2018, redone July 5, 2018

Rev. Glenn Conaway
Greater New Jersey Conference
205 Jumping Brook Rd.
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear Rev. Conaway:

At the suggestion of Megan McKay, we have reviewed and rereviewed last year's reports and are noting these changes from the previous year's report that may have affected our calculated 2019 Shared Ministry billing. Therefore, I am resubmitting this letter of appeal.

Any salary base compensation and related housing benefits (41a, 42a) increase is due to the Conference mandated minimum; staff costs (45c) were higher because we had guest organists for five (5) months at a higher rate for a substitute than the salaried position, from Palm Sunday (when our organist stormed out) until we were able to hire a new organist; however, we were able to identify \$2,781.58 worth of Capital expenditures (49) that should be deducted from Property maintenance and repair (47b). [Thanks to Megan for her helpful suggestions.]

As per our conversation, Vineland First United Methodist Church is appealing the \$1000 increase in apportionments for 2019. As you are well aware, this congregation is very missional and intricately involved in outreach to the community. Without any support from the conference (i.e. Hope Center, etc.) the pastor and congregation sustain this work on a dwindling budget. While we are able to take a percentage of our utilities, we are unable to quantify any percentage of either salaries, both pastoral and administrative assistant, or building use and maintenance. Since the church already operates on a deficit budget, this increase will impact the continuing mission and ministry of the church. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

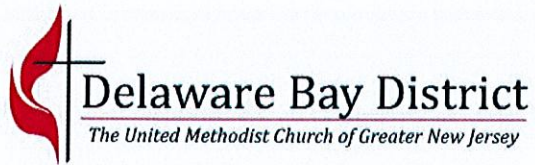
In Christ's Service –

Beth Lincoln
Finance Chairperson

Rev. Susan Flicker
Pastor

*"Vineland First United Methodist Church is a community of faith open to all,
journeying through life together to understand and live out the teachings,
beliefs and life of Jesus Christ."*

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July 9, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from First United Methodist, Vineland. I hope spoken to Rev. Flicker and the Finance Committee has reviewed their reports and found capital expenditures that should have been deducted from property maintenance and repair. In review I agree with their request for reduction in their fair share giving.

I appreciate any consideration the Council can give to First UMC, Vineland.

Joy and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenn J. Conaway". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Glenn J. Conaway
Delaware Bay District Superintendent

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9074

From: [Jennifer Creran](#)
To: [Megan McKay](#)
Cc: [Glenn Conaway](#)
Subject: Fwd: requesting an appeal 2019 Shared Ministry
Date: Friday, June 29, 2018 4:14:48 PM

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From: Ted Osler <tedosler@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 29, 2018 4:03:56 PM
To: Jennifer Creran; Glenn Conaway
Subject: requesting an appeal 2019 Shared Ministry

Requesting an appeal for 2019 Shared Ministry
9074 - New Hope United Methodist Church (Millville)
2018 Newcombtown Road
Millville, NJ 08332
Rev Ted Osler, pastor

\$21,930 CONFERENCE CALCULATION = \$21,930 (2019)

\$ 18,769 should be our 2019 shared ministry amount

Table II
45,000 line 41a
5,000 line 43
37,238 line 45 a-d
4,254 line 46
9,778 line 47a-47f operating exp
1,823 CPP (151.88 x 12)
7,594 CRSP (632.81 x 12)
4,676 health ins (1,168.67 x 4)
1,214 worker's comp

} Paid Billables Not Assessed

116,577.00

125

X 16.1%

\$ 18,769 should be our 2019 shared ministry amount

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July 9, 2018

Mr. John Cardillo
Treasurer and Director of Administrative Services
205 Jumping Brook Road
Neptune, NJ 07753

Dear John and Members of the Council on Finance and Administration,

Attached with this letter is an appeal request from New Hope UMC Millville. I have spoken to Rev. Ted Osler and in reviewing the reports there appears to be incorrect numbers in line 42b and line 43. Further in Table II they have shared discrepancies and believe the calculation made should have resulted in a lower shared ministry amount. I support this church's request for appeal of the 2019 Shared Ministry and would ask for further review.

I appreciate any consideration the Council can give to New Hope UMC, Millville.

Joy and Peace,

Glenn J. Conaway
Delaware Bay District Superintendent

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John Cardillo

From: Kimberly Billman <kbillman@GCFA.ORG>
Sent: Monday, July 9, 2018 4:21 PM
To: Adria Gomez; Andra Haverstock; Angela Thomas (athomas@moumethodist.org); ANITA SAAS; Archana Carey; Barbara Brower; Beth Westbury; BILL BROWNSON; BRANT HENSHAW; Bruce Cooper; chindel@wncumc.org; CHRISTINE DODSON; Chrisy Powell; Clare Wilson; Dale Cook; Dan Wilson-Fey; Darlene Eisenhuth; DAVID DOMMISSE; DAVID STINSON; DAVID STOTTS; DAVID W. ANDERSEN, CPA; DAVID W. DOBBS; DENNIS GALYON; Derek W. McAleer; ELIJAH A. STANSELL, JR.; FRANK S. DUNNEWIND; Gail Kamerman; Griselda Sandoval; Heidi Harding; Ian Hall; J. DIANE KNUDSEN; James Brown; Jane Rosborough; Janet Davis; Jay Kim; JEFF POSPISIL; Jeri Seabaugh; James Allen; JIM BERNER; Jo Fielding; JoAnn Schlimgen; JODI SMITH; Treasurer; Johnny Frazier; JONI WAY; Karen Foster; Kathleen Keller; KEITH M. COX; KEVIN DOMANICO; kristina.merfeld@iaumc.org; Larry Bridge; Larry Davis; Linda Draper; Liz Greenstock; LONNIE CHAFIN; Margaret Biggs; MARGIE TRAFTON; Mark King; Melissa Sanders; Mike Weaver; Myra Bess; NATHANAEL BERNEKING; NOREEN KELESHIAN; Norma Quinn; Pam Kaiser; Paul Eichelberger; Pier McPayten; RANDY BOWMAN; Rev. Kendall Waller; Rich Pittenger; RICHARD VAN GIESEN; Rick Cherry; Rochelle Smith; ROSS WILLIAMS; Sandie Weldon; Sandra Reinemer; Sandy O'Brien; Scott Brewer; SCOTT Y. SELMAN; Sharon Shaw; Shelly Curtis; SHIRLEY WALKER; Steve Hart; Susannah Cajuat; Tamara Wims; Terri Casson; TODD BURRIS; Tony Prestipino; Vera Rebrovich; Wendy DeVos; WILLIAM E. WESTBROOK JR.; WILLIAM V. BURNSIDE II
Subject: 2019 Apportionment Cut-off Date

Since we are half way through the year for 2018, I wanted to let you know that the cut-off date for remitting 2018 apportionments to GCFA is going to be **Friday, January 18, 2018**. Please plan to have all 2018 remittances submitted no later than this date. Remittances received after that date will not be credited to 2018 apportionments.

Thank you for your cooperation...

Kimberly Billman
Accounting Manager
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Nashville, TN 37203

