



**MINISTRY SHARES**

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE OF THE  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
**2024 BUDGET**

**GENERAL CHURCH  
APPORTIONMENTS**

- A. World Service Fund** \$1,318,214  
Our share of the essential core of the global outreach ministry of The United Methodist Church. This worldwide outreach supports missionaries, builds and strengthens churches and brings the saving grace and healing of Christ to persons worldwide that a local church could not do alone. Provides funds for resources for our churches in evangelism, youth ministries, education, stewardship and other ministries.
- B. Ministerial Education Fund** \$445,231  
Supports the education of tomorrow's ministers in our 13 UM seminaries. One-fourth of the amount remains in our Conference under the administration of the Board of Ordained Ministry for seminary scholarships and loans.
- C. Black Colleges Fund** \$177,599  
Assists funding of the eleven predominantly African-American colleges. These colleges are open to students regardless of racial origin.
- D. Africa University** \$39,746  
In Zimbabwe, we are now funding the first UM university in Africa. This university educates Africans to be ministers, teachers, healers and leaders for Africans.
- E. Episcopal Fund** \$582,067  
Support for active and retired bishops and for the ministry of the Council of Bishops.
- F. General Administration** \$156,527  
Underwrites the work of the General Conference, administration of the finances of the denomination and the safeguarding of the legal interests and assets, maintains denominational record.

**G. Interdenominational Cooperation** \$34,820  
Nurtures the ministries of churches uniting in Christ, the World Methodist Council, the Commission on Pan-Methodist Cooperation

**GENERAL CHURCH** \$2,754,204

**SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTIONAL  
APPORTIONMENTS**

- A. Lydia Patterson Institute** \$72,897  
A school started about 100 years ago to educate Hispanic youth in El Paso, TX, from both sides of the border emphasizing both academic excellence and intentional spiritual nurture.
- B. Jurisdiction Administration Fund** \$44,918  
Our share of the mission and ministries of the South Central Jurisdiction, whose office is located in Oklahoma City.

**JURISDICTIONAL CHURCH** \$117,815

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
APPORTIONMENTS**

**CENTER FOR CHURCH  
DEVELOPMENT**

Responsible for starting new faith communities and transforming existing congregations.

- A. Travel & Meeting** \$20,000
- B. New Faces New Spaces** \$97,500
- C. Vitalization** \$35,000
- D. New Faith Communities** \$46,000
- E. New Campuses** \$409,500
- F. Planters** \$77,000
- G. Administration** \$8,550
- H. Staff** \$400,000

**CENTER TOTAL** \$1,093,550

**CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

Responsible for identifying, recruiting, equipping and developing young, diverse, lay and clergy principled Christian leaders. Includes our work in faith development and discipleship and Board of Ordained Ministry, Board of Laity and Conference Council on Youth Ministries.

<b>A. Board of Ministry</b>	\$50,450
Supports the recruitment, evaluation, professional development, supervision, and assists in the transition and advocacy of clergy.	
<b>B. Board of Laity</b>	\$6,000
<b>C. Faith &amp; Leadership Formation</b>	\$29,250
<b>D. Texas Methodist Colleges</b>	\$10,000
<b>E. Conflict Management</b>	\$12,600
<b>F. Campus Ministries</b>	\$535,777
<b>G. Equitable Compensation</b>	\$51,594
Provides salary support for pastors serving churches which are not able to meet the minimum salary amount set by the Annual Conference.	
<b>H. Intentional Interim Pastors</b>	\$35,000
<b>I. Transitional Care for Clergy</b>	\$5,000
<b>J. Standing Committees</b>	\$1,000
<b>K. Coaching Initiative</b>	\$20,000
<b>L. Camping Ministries</b>	\$383,050
<b>M. Administration</b>	\$11,350
<b>N. Staff</b>	\$550,000
<b>O. Travel &amp; Meeting</b>	<u>\$13,700</u>
<b>CENTER TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,714,771</b>

**CENTER FOR MISSIONAL OUTREACH**

Responsible for our ministry with the poor and our efforts to improve global health.

<b>A. Administration</b>	\$5,020
<b>B. Christian Unity &amp; Interreligious Concerns</b>	\$700
Includes funds to enable interpretation, advocacy, and work for the unity of the Christian church and to encourage dialogue and cooperation with persons of other living faiths.	
<b>C. Church and Society</b>	\$3,200
Includes providing education and action on issues confronting the Church consistent with the Social Principles. Also, includes prison ministry and reform concerns.	
<b>D. Ethnic Local Church Concerns</b>	\$99,700
Includes keeping the vision of ethnic local church concerns before the annual conference; coordinating strategies related to ethnic local church concerns; providing a forum for dialogue; training and interpretation.	
<b>E. Global Ministries</b>	\$12,700
Includes planning and promoting meetings and experiences throughout the conference to develop a spirit of mission and participation in global ministries; engaging in direct ministries to human need, both emergency and ongoing; working in all capacities with the General Board of Global Ministries.	
<b>F. Extension Ministries</b>	\$42,500
<b>G. Travel and Meeting</b>	\$14,500
<b>H. Ministry With</b>	\$156,500
<b>I. Journey Towards Racial Justice</b>	\$8,700
<b>J. Staff</b>	<u>\$290,000</u>
<b>CENTER TOTAL</b>	<b>\$633,520</b>

**CENTER FOR CONNECTIONAL RESOURCES**

Responsible for providing the necessary services to leverage our resources and support our efforts to address the priorities of the Annual Conference. Includes the central treasury, clergy and staff benefits, property concerns including the conference-wide property & liability insurance program, administrative support services, and camp and retreat center operations.

- A. Conference Administration** \$200,000  
Covers the cost of operations of the Treasurer’s office, administrative services in the Ministry Center, Annual Conference, and The Journal.
- B. Administrative Agencies** \$77,400
- C. Annual Conference** \$90,000
- D. Ministry Center Operations** \$210,000
- E. Ministry Center Debt Srvc** \$225,000
- F. Travel and Meeting** \$17,500
- G. Bd. of Pension & Health Benefits** \$1,284,752  
Past pension service funding, retiree health insurance
- H. Moving Fund** \$80,000  
Provides for the cost of moving pastors’ household for changes in appointments.
- I. Staff** \$585,000

**CENTER TOTAL** \$2,769,652

**EPISCOPAL AREA** \$72,000

Funds for the Bishop’s Office and residence.

**COMMUNICATIONS** \$409,893

The conference Communications Office, which provides resources and technology to support interpretation of mission and ministry.

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS** \$620,691

The salaries, expenses, and benefits for the four district superintendents in the North Texas Conference, as well as the Cabinet Emergency Fund.

**GRAND TOTAL** \$10,186,096

**SECOND MILE GIVING**

In addition to supporting conference and general church apportionments, each United Methodist has the opportunity to make gifts to specific ministries. One-hundred percent of your gifts to these designated giving opportunities go to the selected project. No administrative costs are deducted.

This is often referred to as “**second-mile giving**” because, in The United Methodist Church, the “first mile” is for local churches to fulfill their World Service and other Shared Ministries and conference benevolence commitments.

Opportunities for “**second-mile giving**” include:

- The Advance
- World Service Special Gifts
- Special Appeals

**Special Sunday Offerings in 2024**

1. Human Relations Sunday: January 14
2. UMCOR Sunday: March 10
3. Native American Ministries: April 14
4. Peace with Justice Sunday: May 26
5. World Communion Sunday: October 6
6. UMC Student Day: November 24

**Ministry Shares**

Ministry Shares, or as more commonly called, apportionments, is the first priority benevolence of the local church. As The United Methodist Church we are **all connected** in a structured chain of conferences, districts and local churches and together we are able to do far more than as individual churches. We give to Ministry Shares in response to God’s love---to support the various ministries of our lay and clergy in starting new churches, in mission and outreach, in evangelism, in spiritual education and nurture of all ages, and in our witness to the world.