

**Resolution to Close Ray's Chapel United Methodist Church  
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference  
Stones River District**

**WHEREAS**, the Ray's Chapel United Methodist Church in the Stones River District, in Bedford County, Unionville, TN, has had a long and proud history and has served God faithfully through the United Methodist Church for many years; and

**WHEREAS**, in recent years the congregation has experienced a decline in membership such that it is no longer feasible to keep the church operational as a church; and

**WHEREAS**, the district superintendent is committed to helping existing members transfer their membership to a congregation of their choosing;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ray's Chapel United Methodist Church be closed effective June 17, 2022;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Conference Trustees be authorized to take possession of the property and make the determination of how the property may best be used for the kingdom of God. If it is determined by the Trustees that it is best that the property be sold, that they be authorized to sell the property, both real and personal, with proceeds to be used as directed by the Conference Trustees, consistent with the provisions of The Book of Discipline.

Respectfully submitted,

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Stones River District Superintendent