



Resolution of Respect  
For Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams  
A faithful servant leader for the Lord

We are comforted by the words of Our Lord in Revelation 21:4 which says;  
*“And God shall wipe all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things have passed away”*.

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church passed from this life on July 18, 2022, and

Whereas, the death of Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams does not diminish the profound benediction of a life lived in such Godly service, nor our admiration of and affection for Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams’ example, and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams faithfully attended God’s most urgent admonition to follow in the footsteps of the righteous, seek justice in all circumstances, and care for the least among us as if they were the dearest, and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams was a faithful servant leader of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church while demonstrating the loving connection between all local churches and their communities, and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams embraced the all-forgiving presence of God and strove to exhibit these same qualities of compassion throughout an exemplary life of ministry, and

Whereas, the family and acquaintances of Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams are deeply saddened at her departure, as are all who were touched by her generous spirit and kindnesses, and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams’ legacy of faith and service will continue to inspire her loved ones and every member of the Tennessee Western Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Now therefore, be it resolved that we wish all who are now in mourning will take comfort in the beautiful words from Isaiah 40:31:

*“Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.”*

Therefore, be it further resolved that we bow to a greater Will than our own and rest in the knowledge that one day we will be united with Rev. Dr. Autura Eason-Williams again, in joy and in the fullness of God’s mercy.

Humbly submitted in faith and appreciation on this third day of August, 2022.

Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members

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