

**Resolution to Close McFerrin United Methodist Church  
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference  
Caney Fork River District**

**WHEREAS**, the worshiping community known as McFerrin United Methodist Church, located at 130 McFerrin Road, Allons, Tennessee 38541 in the Caney Fork River District of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference has faithfully served the McFerrin community; and

**WHEREAS**, the congregation in recent years declined to the point that the congregation could no longer continue to fulfill its mission; and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining members vacated the property, on May 12, 2024, stated that Sunday was to be the last worship service, and have not returned.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Annual Conference in session June 17-19, 2024, at Murfreesboro First United Methodist Church, in Murfreesboro, Tennessee will recognize the ministry of McFerrin United Methodist Church and declare the church closed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that remaining members of McFerrin United Methodist Church move their membership to another United Methodist Church of their choice and that the disposition of the real property be determined by the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference Trustees in their normal process.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Rickey Wade  
Caney Fork River District Superintendent

**Resolution to Close St. Matthews United Methodist Church  
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference  
Metro District**

**WHEREAS**, the worshipping community known as St. Matthews United Methodist Church, located at 1362 S Prescott Road, Memphis, TN 38111 in the Metro District of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference has faithfully served the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the congregation in recent years declined to the point that the congregation could no longer continue to fulfill its mission; and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining members in consultation with the District Superintendent, consented to close effective Sunday, December 31, 2023 and a closing worship service was held on that date for this purpose;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Matthews United Methodist Church be closed under paragraph 2549 effective December 31, 2023.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the remaining members of St. Matthews United Methodist Church move their membership to another United Methodist Church of their choice and that the disposition of the real property be determined by the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference Trustees in their normal process.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Dr. David O. Weatherly  
Metro District Superintendent

**Resolution to close Maranata United Methodist Church  
under paragraph 2549  
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference  
Metro District**

**WHEREAS**, the chartered congregation known as Maranata United Methodist Church, which meets at Raleigh United Methodist Church, located at 3295 Powers Road, Memphis, TN 38126 in the Metro District of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference, has refused to order their local church in compliance with the *Book of Discipline*; and

**WHEREAS**, the leadership of the congregation, as well as the appointed Local Pastor, has declared in writing that they no longer consider themselves a part of the United Methodist Church and have ceased to conduct Maranata UMC as a place of divine worship of the United Methodist Church; and

**WHEREAS**, Maranata United Methodist Church does not own any real, personal or tangible property, and has paid all previously agreed upon financial obligations in full as required by the Conference Treasurer to the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference, such that there are no property issues remaining to be disposed of by the Conference trustees;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Maranata United Methodist Church be closed pursuant to paragraph 2549, effective immediately following approval of the Consent Agenda to be voted upon at the Annual Conference session meeting June 17-19, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Dr. David O. Weatherly  
Metro District Superintendent

**Resolution to Close West End United Methodist Church  
Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference  
Stones River District**

**WHEREAS**, the worshipping community known as West End United Methodist Church, located at 131 Baker Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160 in the Stones River District of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference has faithfully served the Shelbyville community; and

**WHEREAS**, the congregation in recent years declined to the point that the congregation could no longer continue to fulfill its mission; and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining members in consultation with the District Superintendent, and by way of Charge conference held on May 10, 2023 consented to close the church.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Annual Conference in session June 17-20, 2024, at Murfreesboro First UMC will recognize the ministry of West End United Methodist Church and declare the church closed; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that remaining members of West End United Methodist Church move their membership to another United Methodist Church of their choice and that the disposition of the real property be determined by the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference Trustees in their normal process.

Respectfully Submitted  
Rev. Chip Hunter  
Stones River District Superintendent