

## Resolution of Respect for Mr. Eugene Collins Saturday, October 23, 2021

To Mrs. Mary Collins and Family,

We are today comforted by the words of of Scripture in Romans 8:35, 37-39 which says:

"Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Whereas, Mr. Eugene Collins of Inglewood First United Methodist Church passed from this life into the providence of Almighty God on September 13, 2021, and

Whereas, in God's holy wisdom, Mr. Collins was called home to dwell with the Lord in the glories of Paradise, the officers and members of Inglewood First United Methodist Church offer our sincere condolences to his beloved wife, Mrs. Mary Collins, children Kevin and Kerri and the entire family, and

Whereas, Mr. Eugene Collins and Mrs. Mary Collins joined Inglewood First UMC in 1977 under the pastoral leadership of the late Rev. Mathew Jefferson, and

Whereas, Mr. Collins was a loving and attentive husband and parent who instilled in his children a strong devotion to the Lord and a sense of responsibility to those less fortunate, and

Whereas, Mr. Collins served this earthly Kingdom with devout service to this Church, as a doorkeeper, a member of United Methodist Men, a member of the Usher Board, and a member of the Trustee Board, and

Whereas, Mr. Eugene Collins lived a faithful stewardship through tithing and offering to the Lord's ministry both for regular offering and volunteer gifts to the youth and young adult ministries for their outreach, camping ministry and United Methodist conference activities, and

Whereas, Mr. Collins was a hardworking man with a great big smile that served the Lord through Christ's church, always committed to complete every job he accepted with joy, a spirit of humility and to the glory of God, and

Whereas, we have all been blessed by the presence of Mr. Eugene Collins in our lives and in our congregation.

**Therefore, be it resolved** that we embrace the Collins family, in our common bond of grief and remembrance of a beloved soul.

**And therefore, be it resolved** that we bow in acceptance of the perfection of God's plan to gather each of us into the Lord's merciful arms when we have fulfilled our task on this earth.

Be it further resolved that we acknowledge the passing of our esteemed Mr. Eugene Collins and that a copy of this resolution be given to the family and a copy kept in the Church archives.

In the words of John, Chapter 14, verses 1-3:

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also."

Be at peace in the everlasting love of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted on this 23rd day of October 2021 on behalf of the Officers and Members of the First United Methodist Church of Inglewood, Inglewood, California,

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