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Dear Lea Joyner Family,

Upon the unanimous request of the Lea Joyner Church Council, our District Superintendent, Rev. Tom Dolph, has called a special session of a Church Conference for Lea Joyner UMC on Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 3 pm in our Sanctuary. The stated purpose of this Church Conference is to consider Lea Joyner's disaffiliation from the UMC under ¶2553 of the 2016 Book of Discipline. Every professing member of our church is invited and will have voice and vote at the Church Conference. Two thirds (2/3) of the professing members who are present at the called session must vote "YES" on the ballot in order for our church to disaffiliate. No proxy or electronic voting options will be accepted.

I have attached a copy of the standard Withdrawal Agreement created by the Annual Conference, including exhibits that list the formal descriptions of the property and accounts. This is the formal document that will be signed if the vote to disaffiliate carries.

I encourage every member of the church to be present for our vote. Please take time before the meeting to pray about our decision and review the Informational Packet. This is a monumental decision in the life of our church and will affect our ministry for generations to come. I fully trust that God has guided our process to this point and will continue to guide us as we seek to fulfill our Mission of Knowing Jesus and Making Him Known.

In Christ,

Pastor Ben