BILL RAY

Co-Pastor / Associate Pastor Family, Public History, and Affiliation Research

A public-source research brief

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Purpose and scope

This report compiles publicly accessible ministry materials, archived Rhema publications, public professional and social-media references, and user-supplied family context concerning Rev. Bill Ray. It is designed to distinguish verified public facts from reported information that still requires civil-record confirmation. It does not treat a family relationship, shared surname, social-media post, or church appearance as proof of wrongdoing, compensation, governance authority, or knowledge of another person's conduct.

Executive summary

Official Rhema Bible Church materials identify Bill Ray as an Associate Pastor. They state that he has been in ministry since 1982, is a Rutgers University graduate and 1990 Rhema Bible Training College graduate, became a charter member of Rhema Bible Church, joined its pastoral staff in 2002, and previously worked as a Senior Manager at FedEx. The same official profile identifies his current wife as Toni and names two sons, Stephen and JP, plus daughter-in-law Amy and grandsons Lincoln and Kendrick.

Rhema archive publications provide contemporaneous evidence that Bill Ray and Lorena Ray were publicly presented together in Rhema-connected ministry activity by 2011 and that Lorena Ray served as program director for Southwestern Christian University's Tulsa Metro location on the Rhema campus in 2010. The user reports that Lorena Brown was Bill Ray's first wife and that a divorce occurred in 2014. This report labels the former-marriage and 2014-divorce details as reported pending confirmation through a person-matched marriage record, divorce docket, decree, or other primary civil source.

Family and relationship map

Relationship / Person	Public-source basis	Verification status
Rev. Bill Ray	Official Rhema biography identifies him as Associate Pastor and names current family members.	Verified public ministry profile
Lorena Brown / Lorena Ray	2010 Rhema archive names Lorena Ray as program director at SCU Tulsa Metro; 2011 Rhema archive names Rev. Bill Ray and Lorena Ray together as ceremony officiants.	Verified public ministry co-appearance; former-spouse status and 2014 divorce require primary civil confirmation
Toni Watkins Ray	Current official Rhema biography identifies Bill's wife as Toni; public profile references use the full name Toni Watkins Ray.	Current spouse name supported; marriage date not located
Stephen Ray	Current official Rhema biography names Stephen as one of Bill's two sons.	Family relationship supported; separate employment/education profile not safely matched
JP Ray	Current official Rhema biography names JP as one of Bill's two sons. A public social profile uses "JP Ray, J.D." but this was not treated as a verified degree record.	Family relationship supported; degree, employment, and other identity-specific claims not verified

Bill Ray: public leadership and employment history

- In ministry since 1982, according to Rhema Bible Church's official biography.
- Rhema Bible Training College graduate, Class of 1990; archived Rhema material also lists Bill Ray with class years 1986 and 1990 in a 2011 event notation.
- Rutgers University graduate, according to the official Rhema biography. The reviewed source does not identify degree title, major, graduation year, or campus.
- Charter member of Rhema Bible Church and member of its pastoral staff since 2002.
- Prior employment: Senior Manager at FedEx, according to the official Rhema biography. The reviewed source does not identify job dates, location, compensation, or specific business unit.
- Current official responsibilities include church office oversight, hospital visitation, premarital guidance, pastoral after-hours emergencies, nursing-home ministry, We-Care, teaching at Rhema Bible Training College, and a married-couples School of the Bible class.

Lorena Brown / Lorena Ray: documented Rhema-era public context

A 2010 Rhema Connections publication identifies Lorena Ray as the program director for Southwestern Christian University's Tulsa Metro location, described in the archive as being on the Rhema Bible Training College campus. A 2011 Rhema Connections publication states that "Rev. Bill ('86, '90) and Lorena ('89, '90) Ray performed the ceremony" for a June 2011 wedding at Rhema Chapel in Broken Arrow. These materials establish a publicly documented Rhema-era association and joint ministerial appearance.

Reported relationship history requiring primary-record confirmation: The user identifies Lorena Brown as Bill Ray's first wife and reports that they divorced in 2014. The sources reviewed for this report do not include a person-matched marriage license, divorce docket, decree, or formal announcement establishing

the precise marriage or divorce date. The 2014 divorce should therefore be published only as "reported" unless and until verified by a civil court record or comparable primary documentation.

Toni Watkins Ray: current spouse context

Rhema's current official biography identifies Bill's wife as Toni. Public social-media profile references use the full name Toni Watkins Ray. These sources support the current public identification of Toni as Bill Ray's spouse. They do not establish a marriage date, prior marital history, employment, salary, ownership interest, political role, or travel reimbursement record.

Stephen Ray and JP Ray: family context and limits

Rhema's official profile identifies Stephen and JP as Bill Ray's two sons. It also names Amy as a daughter-in-law and Lincoln and Kendrick as grandsons. The official biography does not specify which son is married to Amy, does not identify the sons' mothers, and does not state their education, employment, cities of residence, ministries, salaries, business ownership, or political affiliations.

For JP Ray, a public social profile uses the self-description "JP Ray, J.D." That is a lead, not an independently verified law degree or bar-admission record. For Stephen Ray, internet results include multiple unrelated people with the same name. No separate career, education, or legal record is included without conservative identity matching.

Dated public timeline

Date / Period	Publicly documented development
1982	Rhema official biography says Bill Ray had been in ministry since this year.
1986 and 1990	2011 Rhema archive notation lists Bill Ray as "Bill ('86, '90)," consistent with two Rhema class-year references.
1990	Official Rhema biography identifies Bill Ray as a Rhema Bible Training College graduate.
2002	Official Rhema biography says he joined Rhema Bible Church's pastoral staff.
2010	Rhema Connections identifies Lorena Ray as SCU Tulsa Metro program director on the Rhema campus.
June 2011	Rhema Connections identifies Bill Ray and Lorena Ray as ceremony officiants at a Rhema Chapel wedding.
2014	User-reported divorce year involving Bill Ray and Lorena Brown; primary court record not reviewed or located for this report.
2026	Rhema's current website identifies Bill Ray as Associate Pastor and Toni as his wife.

Financial, travel, political, legal, and residence-record limits

The reviewed public sources do not establish the following, and this report does not infer them:

- Bill Ray's salary, pastoral compensation, personal net worth, bank relationship, tax returns, or private assets.

- A verified marriage date for either relationship, a verified 2014 divorce decree, or the exact legal sequence of marriage and remarriage.
- A complete city-by-city residence history for Bill, Lorena, Toni, Stephen, or JP.
- Personal travel itineraries, travel reimbursements, international-delegation status, or expenses paid by Rhema or any other entity.
- A person-matched criminal history, conviction, civil judgment, professional discipline, political office, campaign role, lobbying registration, or campaign-finance record for any of the individuals named here.
- The sons' school history, degrees, employment, business ownership, professional licensure, or financial interests, except where independently confirmed through person-matched primary records.

Records that would resolve remaining questions

- Person-matched marriage license and divorce docket/decree for Bill Ray and Lorena Brown/Ray; use full legal names and county/state filing information.
- Official marriage record or contemporaneous public announcement to confirm the marriage date for Bill Ray and Toni Watkins Ray.
- Rhema personnel records or direct written confirmation for employment dates and titles beyond the official biography.
- Official educational records, alumni listings, bar-admission database records, or direct public bios to establish any education or professional credentials for Stephen or JP.
- Government campaign-finance databases, corporate registrations, nonprofit filings, or court records only where identity can be confirmed without relying on a name alone.

Core sources reviewed

- **Rhema Bible Church, "Bill Ray" official biography:** Associate Pastor role, ministry history, Rutgers/RBTC education, FedEx employment background, duties, wife Toni, sons Stephen and JP, family references. https://www.rhemabiblechurch.com/im-new/bill-ray/
- **Rhema Connections, Fall 2010:** Lorena Ray identified as SCU Tulsa Metro program director on the Rhema campus. https://www.rhema.org/alumni/PDFS/Connections2010FALL_small.pdf
- **Rhema Connections, Fall 2011:** Bill and Lorena Ray named together as ceremony officiants; Rhema class-year references. https://www.rhema.org/alumni/PDFS/CNXNs_2011Fall_web.pdf
- **Rhema Bible Church video playlist:** Public media context identifying Bill Ray as Associate Pastor. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL7DVVJBjDauE1yfa3pH_y5QdGp1SC_UT4
- **Public social-profile references:** Used only to corroborate public use of the name Toni Watkins Ray; not treated as proof of private financial, employment, or legal facts. https://www.instagram.com/tckle_da_ivry/

Normal public-record disclosure

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Bill Ray, Lorena Brown/Ray, Toni Watkins Ray, Stephen Ray, or JP Ray. Family relationships, photographs, shared events, social-media references, and ministry associations do not establish legal responsibility, financial benefit, knowledge, participation, or misconduct. Reported marital-history details are intentionally marked as requiring primary-record confirmation. Corrections or source documentation may be sent to info@okchildwellbeing.org.

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