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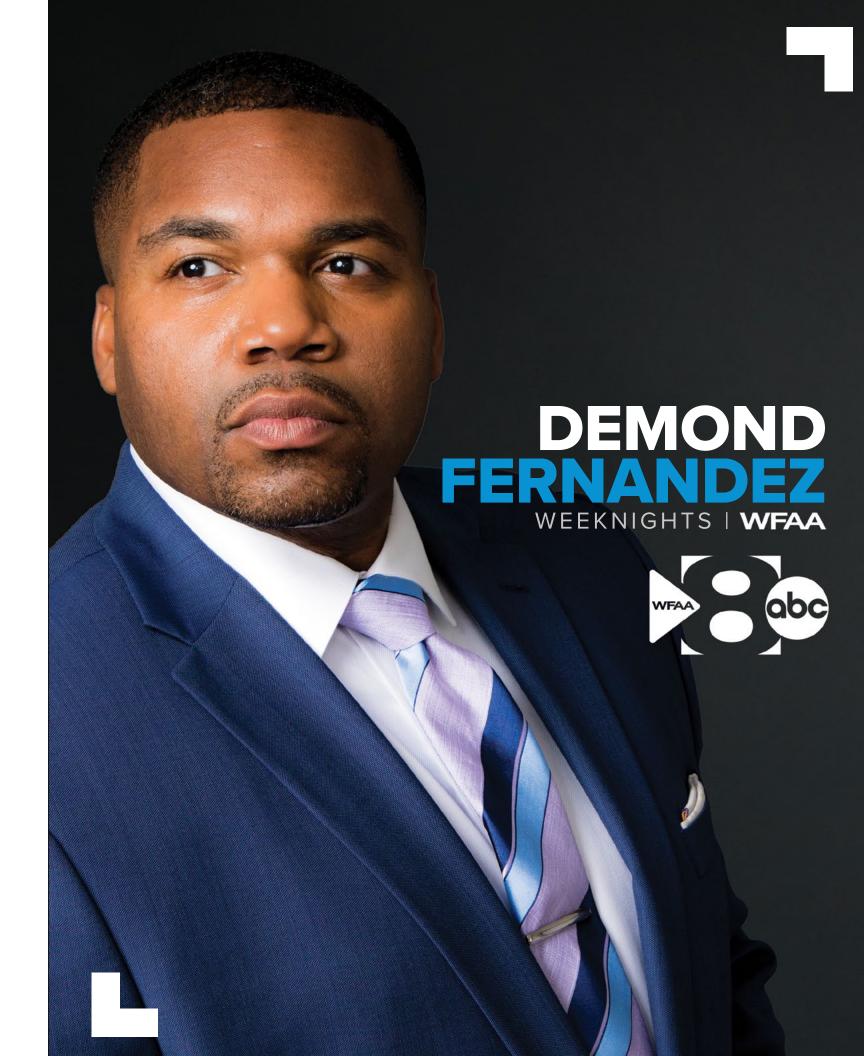
WE ARE PROUD TO SUPPORT

Project Unity's Together We Sing

Together We Are Stronger







Dear Friends,

Together We Sing is back! While the pandemic may have put our signature event on hiatus for two years, we will not be denied this timely opportunity to bring our community together through the power of music. I want to extend a special thank you to the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, City of Dallas, and our outstanding Project Unity team for making the return of Together We Sing a reality. I am especially grateful to all of those who believe in the work of Project Unity and those who support us with their time, talent, and resources.

As I have constantly stated, music is a force that bridges divides, and we need Together We Sing now more than ever before as a vehicle for unity. Together We Sing will not erase the daunting challenges before us, but it does offer an option that recognizes our problems can only be solved when we work together rather than remain in our tribal corners.

At Project Unity we speak to and proactively engage in issues that many would prefer to sweep under the rug. But we recognize that we can no longer afford this as an option. Through our "Together We" branded programs, Project Unity is committed to advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, social justice and empowerment for everyone. Every "Together We" program is moving us toward our ultimate Together We Build initiative. This initiative consists of pillars that make for a sustainable community such as housing, education, public safety, economics, services, health, and commerce. We want to advance these pillars in communities that have been systemically left behind.

It is my personal hope that the work of Project Unity inspires and motivates you to join the "Together We" movement. I truly believe that there is no issue too difficult that "together we" cannot solve. Thank you for being a part of tonight's unifying musical event.

Welcome back and enjoy the evening!

Richie Butler

Richie Butler, Project Unity Founder and Chief Visionary Officer Senior Pastor, St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church



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In 2014, Pastor Richie Butler hosted a community forum on policing and race relations at St. Paul United Methodist Church that included the former Dallas Police Chief David Brown, former District Attorney Craig Watkins and Sheriff Lupe Valdez. As a result of that forum, he was convicted to launch an initiative to address the divides in our community and the country. That initiative is called Project Unity; and

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Project Unity has been leading efforts to unify Dallas by implementing a suite of programs themed "Together We" that addresses their efforts to build and sustain community, provide a forum for safe conversations on race relations and improve relations with law enforcement.

NOW. THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED that, on behalf of the constituents of the Eighteenth Congressional District of Texas, I take great pride in honoring Project Unity on the occasion of Together We Sing Musical Presentation. You are deserving of our utmost esteem for your gracious contributions, and are indeed worthy of the respect, admiration and commendation of the United States Congress.



Resolution of Congressional Recognition 18ª District. Texas Presented to PROJECT UNITY On the occasion of the TOGETHER WE SING MUSICAL PRESENTATION

An incredible night of inspiration, Together We Sing, a musical presentation blending gospel, classical, and inspiration, will feature a musical tribute to Grammy Award Winning Artist Richard Smallwood with National Gospel Recording Artists featuring special guests Tamela Mann, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, and a 200 voice Multi-Ethnic, Multi-Faith choir; and

Music is a great uniter, and this year's musical presentation with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra will recognize Project Unity supporters who are blazing new paths to confront and dismantle racism; and

Project Unity is a collaborative movement based on the faith-driven belief that what unites us is greater than what divides us. Their core focus is building and sustaining community. Their mission is fulfilled through dialogue, community building events and activities, education and empowerment; and

Through Project Unity's "Together We Dine" and "Together We Can" programs, they are providing diversity, equity and inclusion solutions to companies and organizations that are seeking to provide unique experiences and resources to their employees; and

Sheila Jackson Lee Member of Congress June 15, 2022

About the Together We Awards & Honorees



this year's musical presentation with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra is the perfect place to introduce the "Together We" Awards, created to recognize our supporters who are blazing new paths to confront and dismantle racism.

Together We has been an ongoing theme that simply emphasizes that it takes all of us to make a difference.

For the first time, this year's signature fundraiser event celebrates the harmonious sounds that unite us through music while honoring and paying tribute to partners who continue to foster racial unity in North Texas and beyond.

Our work is not possible without champions from faith communities, corporations, associations, educational institutions, legal community, philanthropy, individuals, media entities, lawmakers and law enforcement who have worked tirelessly in their areas to stand against racism.

The Unity Award recognizes corporations, organizations and individuals who have shown outstanding commitment to supporting and implementing diversity, equity, inclusion, social justice, and health programs in the community and workplace that align with Project Unity's activism on such meaningful matters as we advocate for Unity to leave an impactful legacy behind.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL UNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS

 Corporate Unity Award NTT DATA Services (Activist) Havnes and Boone, LLP (Advocate) PricewaterhouseCoopers (Legacy)

Organization Unity Award Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas (Activist) Communities Foundation of Texas (Advocate) Dallas Bar Association (Legacy)

Individual Unity Award

Dr. Michael J. Sorrell, Paul Quinn College (Activist) Rob Crain, Partner Crain Brogdon, LLP (Advocate) Eddie Bernice Johnson, Congresswoman US House of Representatives, 30th Congressional District (Legacy)

- Music is a great uniter, and we believe Health Unity Award (One time award) St. Luke Community UMC (Faith) Catalyst Health Network (Corporate) Genie and Jim Bentley (Individual)
 - Pioneer Unity Award Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church St. Paul United Methodist Church Highland Park United Methodist Church

• Special Recognition • Together We Dine Facilitators

AWARD CATEGORIES REPRESENT

•ACTIVISM-This award recognizes exceptional partners and individuals who have actively implemented robust diversity, equity and inclusion and social justice programs to create social awareness and change.

•ADVOCATE-This award recognizes extraordinary partners and individuals who have worked tirelessly on behalf of Project Unity by way of time, energy and resources and whose dedication has helped to propel Project Unity's growth.

•LEGACY-This award recognizes remarkable partners and individuals who have put forth their reputational goodwill in helping to establish Project Unity's presence in the community. Their support has positioned Project Unity to leave a legacy of hope and change for race relations.

ONE TIME AWARDS DESCRIPTIONS

HEALTH UNITY AWARD-This one-time award is presented in response to the health crisis in which Project Unity launched Together We Test and Together We Vaccinate. The corporate, organization and individuals honored played a critical role in helping to address the health and welfare of the community during the Covid-19 pandemic.

PIONEER UNITY AWARD-The Oxford Definition of Pioneer is among the first to explore or settle a new method, area of knowledge or activity. This one-time award was created to honor the hard work, dedication and belief in the vision that we could make a difference. These faith communities did not just talk about making a difference-they gave hundreds-if not thousands-of hours to working to build Project Unity and all of its Together We programs from the very beginning.





I welcome you to Together We Sing, a night of gospel and classical music. On behalf of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, I am excited for the return of this signature fundraiser event for Project Unity. This evening's performance, Together We Sing, will bring together world-class talent from gospel music and classical music to underscore our commitment to embracing, cultivating and showcasing the diversity that makes our community great.

My relationship with Richie Butler is inspiring and the work that Project Unity, their board and staff continue to do is making a difference. Project Unity is opening the door for conversations that are transforming the workplace, education institutions, faith-communities and beyond. Those conversations are enhanced when we come together through music.

Tonight's performance and tribute to Gospel Legend Richard Smallwood could not be more fitting as the Grammy Award Winner has spent over four decades as one of the most popular inspirational artists in the music business. His music has been performed by artists like Whitney Houston, Leontyne Price, Aretha Franklin and more.

Finally, this evening of music also is the backdrop for the inaugural Together We Awards. Project Unity has developed this honor to recognize champions who are working tirelessly to confront and dismantle racism. Congratulations to all of the honorees.

The Dallas Symphony is proud to be a partner of Project Unity and to host tonight's event. I encourage you to learn more about the work of Project Unity and find a way to be engaged, because together we can make a difference!

Sincerely,

Kim Noltenry Kim Noltenry

Ross Perot President & CEO



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Together, we can raise expectations.

Let's expect more of ourselves. Let's expect more of one another. Let's come together to accomplish more, together.

At Comerica Bank, we applaud you for raising expectations of our diverse community.

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Set I

The Richard Smallwood Experience

PORTRAIT OF PRAISE **Dallas Symphony Orchestra** Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Roy Cotton, II Performed by Dallas Symphony Orchestra

PRAISE CLASSICS At The Table/Bless the Lord/I Will Sing Praises Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Roy Cotton, II & Lendell Black Performed by Unity Choir & Dallas Symphony Orchestra

ANGELS Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Roy Cotton, II Performed by Unity Choir & Dallas Symphony Orchestra

> HEALING Written by Richard Smallwood Performed by Unity Choir

CENTER OF MY JOY Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Glenn Caldwell Performed by Gaye Arbuckle

WE ARE ONE Special Project Unity Tribute Written by Ethan Kent Performed by Demond Fernandez & Tina Ali Mohammad

Intermission

Set II

The Richard Smallwood Experience

RECOGNITION **Together We Award Recipients** and Together We Dine Facilitators

PROCESSION OF LEVITES Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Darin Atwater Performed by Dallas Symphony Orchestra

ANTHEM OF PRAISE Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Darin Atwater Performed by Unity Choir & Dallas Symphony Orchestra

TRUST ME Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Dennis Atkinson Jr. Performed by Darrell Blair, NFL Players Choir & Unity Choir

I LOVE THE LORD Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & orchestrated by Roy Cotton, II Performed by Tamela Mann

Award Tribute to Richard Smallwood

TOTAL PRAISE Written by Richard Smallwood Arranged & Orchestrated by Glenn Caldwell Performed by Richard Smallwood

Project Unity Remarks & Award Tribute to **Richard Smallwood**

TOGETHER Written by Derrick Horne Arranged & Orchestrated Derrick Horne Performed by NFL Players Choir & Unity Choir

Mission of Project Unity

Project Unity is a collaborative movement based on the faith driven belief that what unites us is greater than what divides us. Its core focus is building and sustaining community. Its mission is fulfilled through dialogue, community building events and activities, education and empowerment.



the country.

Together We Dine

A dining event that is geared to spark courageous and safe conversations about race at the dining table among total strangers. Led by a facilitator, participants will engage in healthy and structured dialogue that builds relationships and trust.



Together We Sing

A program that brings together a diverse selection of vocalists, musicians and other musical groups to showcase the diversity we bring to the world of music. This program enables us to bring performers and audience members of all backgrounds together as an opportunity to leverage the power music plays in breaking down barriers and building bridges.

Together We Can

Our Mission is to educate, enable and empower a lifestyle of mindfulness and action against racism. An action driven initiative, TWC is a positive, non-judgmental, non-political program that addresses personal and community development by making change inside and out. This platform is designed for individuals, corporations, organizations and everyone who will take a challenge to continuously improve themselves, their communities, and



Together We Learn

A program that provides an educational forum and positive dialogue between law enforcement officers and youth through practical learning experience for both youth and police that will help prevent Use of Force reactions in traffic and pedestrian stops.





Together We Vacinate

From Together We Test in 2020 to Together We Vaccinate in 2021, this program was launched to address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 in low-income communities of color. To combat this disparity, Project Unity partnered with groups such as Catalyst Health Group, the Dallas Mavericks, St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church, the Concilio and Brother Bill's helping hand among others, to bring critically needed vaccinations to underserved communities.



Together We Ball

A community basketball game featuring Dallas police, pastors, business and community leaders that is geared to rally the community around unity and foster relationships between the community and law enforcement over basketball. Activities include special appearances, high school exhibition game, court contests, DPD community outreach stations, giveaways, face painting, old school free throw and more.

PROJECT UNITY AND DALLAS FT. WORTH TRIBUTE TO GOSPEL ICON Richard (Smallwood

Richard Smallwood is a living icon of our time. After over four such as "Center of My Joy", "Holy Holy" and "Calvary". In decades as one of the most popular inspirational artists in the music addition to traveling all over the US and Europe, he and his groups business, with classic tunes such as "Total Praise", "Center of My popularity lead to an invitation to perform in the Soviet Union in Joy" and "I Love the Lord" to his credit, the Grammy nominated, 1989 reportedly the first gospel group to do a tour of the country Stellar and Dove Award winning songwriter and musician continues at the time. After a couple of albums with Sparrow Records in the to enjoy worldwide popularity and influence. His songs have been early '90's, Smallwood retired the Smallwood Singers and birthed recorded not only by major gospel artists such as Yolanda Adams, the ensemble "Vision" in 1995. Their debut CD, "Adoration-Live Karen Clark Sheard and the father of contemporary gospel music, in Atlanta" on Verity Records in the spring of 1996 and featured Edwin Hawkins to name a few, but artists such as Whitney smash radio singles "Angels" and the now classic "Total Praise". In Houston, Chaka Kahn, Destiny's Child, Kelly Price, Ledisi, Gerald the years since, Smallwood and Vision have released classics such Levert, Reuben Studdard and the Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin. as "Healing", "Anthem of Praise" and "Thank You". His project With Smallwood's vast accomplishments, it would be easy "Journey-Live in New York" featuring the Hawkins Family, Kelly to rest on his laurels, but that's not his style. Born in Atlanta, Price and Chaka Khan, debuted at #1 on the Billboard Gospel Georgia and raised in Washington, D.C. he has been driven since Charts in fall of 2006. His 2011 release "Promises" also debuted childhood. His stepfather, C.L. Smallwood, founding pastor of at #1 and further solidified Smallwood's stature as one of gospel DC's historic Union Temple Baptist Church and other churches music's great and enduring tunesmiths. The single "Trust Me" all over the country was a tough taskmaster, and his mother Mabel became an instant hit and choirs all over the country and even other encouraged his early love of music. The two extremes fueled his parts of the world began to make it a staple in their repertoires. His latest offering "Anthology" released in June of 2015 and debuting passion. He began to play by ear at the age of five. By seven, he was taking formal lessons and by eleven had formed his own gospel at #1 on the Billboard Charts has become the talk of the industry. group made up of neighborhood children. It was recorded live at Evangel Cathedral in Upper Marlboro, MD In junior high school, future pop icon Roberta Flack was one to a capacity-filled audience. It traces Smallwood's history using of his teachers and influenced him greatly. He graduated from the the music that has made him legendary as well as new music such music major program at McKinley High School and entered Howard as the hit first single "Same God". His classic Total Praise has University majoring in piano performance and minoring in voice. been sung in different languages throughout the world, and was recently sung for visiting

He was a student of the late great Dr. Thomas Kerr, Jr. Smallwood was very active on campus as a member of the first gospel group on Howard's campus, the Celestials and was a founding member of the Howard Gospel Choir. One of the first upper classmen he met was Donny Hathaway who influenced him tremendously. Smallwood played and wrote for a number of Howard's drama department productions and worked alongside fellow students Phylicia Allen-Rashad and Debbie Allen. A member of Pi Kappa Lambda, the national music honor society, he graduated cum laude in 1971. Two years later in 1973, the Celestials would become one of the first gospel groups to ever perform at the Montreux Jazz Festival in Montreux Switzerland.

After graduation, Smallwood taught music privately, at the Washington School of Music, the DC Public School System and the University of Maryland, College Park. He formed the Richard Smallwood Singers in 1977 and got his first record deal with Benson records in 1981. His debut LP, "The Richard Smallwood Singers" spent eighty-seven weeks on "Billboard Magazine's" Spiritual chart and cultivated a fresh, young sophisticated audience Smallwood". for the ensemble. It featured the now classic hit, "I Love The Lord" which was later recorded by Whitney Houston for the movie, "The Preachers Wife". His next LP "Psalms" hit #1 and he and the Smallwood Singers were on a roll. He then moved over to Word Records where he wrote, arranged and recorded gospel standards

Pope Francis as he was hosted by President Barack Obama at the White House.

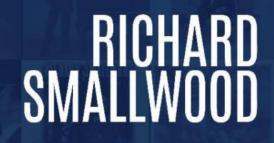
Smallwood earned a Master of Divinity in 2004 from Howard University School of Divinity and was subsequently ordained at his home church, Metropolitan Baptist Church where he also serves as artist in residence. In 2006, he was inducted into the GMA's

Gospel Music Hall of Fame. In November 2019,Smallwood released a brand new book entitled "Total Praise: The Autobiography Richard of

RICHARD SMALLWOOD

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

- Grammy Nomination, Best Soul Gospel Performance, Duo or Group: Psalms 1984
- Grammy Nomination, Best Soul Gospel Performance, Male: You Did It All 1988
- NAACP Image Award Nomination for Best Gospel Artist, Traditional 1988
- Grammy Nomination, Best Soul Gospel Performance: Portrait 1990
- Grammy Nomination, Best Contemporary Soul Gospel Performance: Testimony 1992
- Grammy Nomination, Best Contemporary Soul Gospel Performance: Live 1993
- Stellar Award, Choir of the Year Healing-Live in Detroit 2000
- Stellar Award, Traditional Male Vocalist of the Year-Healing Live in Detroit 2000
- Stellar Award, Traditional Choir of the Year Healing Live in Detroit 2000
- Stellar Award, Choir of the Year Healing Live in Detroit 2000
- Grammy Nomination, Best Trad. Gospel Performance: Persuaded: Live in D.C. 2001
- Album: Persuaded: Live in D.C. 2001
- Grammy Nomination, Best Trad. Soul Gospel Album, The Praise & Worship Songs 2004
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982: THE RICHARD SMALLWOOD SINGERS





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1999: HEALING **LLIVE IN DETROIT**

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Producer Toska Medlock Lee

Toska Medlock Lee is a marketing professional whose experience spans over 25 years of delivering exemplary work in the fields of community relations, marketing communications, event planning, community engagement and meeting planning and production. As a Dallas-based business owner, her marketing and communications firm, The Myriad Group has been called upon to drive innovative campaigns in the private sector, government, non-profit and entertainment.

As a senior public relations practitioner and marketing executive, Ms. Medlock Lee has used her experience to help build brands in ministry, media and music (primarily Gospel music). She managed the musical success of Juanita Bynum, including earning Platinum Certification by the RIAA, for the studio recording of A Piece of My Passion. Medlock Lee also associate produced an additional 7 CD projects on Juanita Bynum garnering millions in sales and international acclaim. In addition, she has worked with top recording professionals such as Myron Williams, Kevin LeVar, and Brian Courtney Wilson. Specializing in the faith based arena, she has produced live shows and in-studio programming with some of Gospel's most notable names like, Israel Houghton, Travis Greene, Donnie McClurkin, Marvin Sapp, and more.

Her ministry marketing and public relations work now spans to support the marketing and branding for the second largest denomination in the world the United Methodist Church. Ms. Medlock Lee strategically develops and promotes marketing communications programs for various initiatives within the church, including Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century (SBC21), and ministries from across the country. She is the lead event planner for the National Prison Summit on Mass Incarceration presented by SBC21, and her personal experiences have now propelled her to the forefront with national and international ministries, pastors, bishops, elders and other leaders working to end the grind of mass incarceration.

Additionally, Ms. Medlock Lee serves as the Event Manager and Producer for the annual NBA All-Star Gospel Celebration, and in 2010, she was tapped as one of the producers of the NFL Gospel Celebration Pre-Show in Dallas, Texas by Results, Inc., a show she has worked for nearly a decade. Frequently called upon by cable networks to execute strategic ministry grass-root efforts for new programs, Ms. Medlock Lee has worked on Black Girls Rock, BET Reid Between the Lines and the hit syndicated TV One show, The Rickey Smiley Show.

Ms. Medlock Lee is well respected and is known throughout the Country and Community for her humility, creativity and excellent delivery of services. She earned a bachelor's degree in Broadcast Journalism from the University of Texas, Arlington, and received her Certified Meeting Planner credentials more than 10 years ago (Convention Industry Council and CMP Board), Washington, D.C.

Roy J. Cotton, II is a sought-after consultant, record producer and composer with a proven track record for making social impact. He acquired a bachelor's degree from Hampton University in music engineering, with a focus in piano. His professional music career began at the tender age of fourteen while being taught/mentored by his father, Dr. Roy Cotton, Sr., a well-respected musician and consultant in his own right.

Roy's worlds of business and creativity collide within WhatchallDoing.com and ChurchBlock. io. WhatchallDoing.com is a music tech company that provides virtual choir production to churches and schools including Yale University, Hampton University, Windsor Village UMC, The AME National Conference, New Birth Church and The Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church of Atlanta. ChurchBlock.io is a consulting company that provides Fintech solutions and counsel to churches entering the cutting edge of Web 3 technology.

As an conductor and orchestrator, Roy has recorded for Richard Smallwood, Kim Burrell, Usher, Mariah Carey, Kierra Sheard, Maurette Brown-Clark, Tamela Mann, Zacardi Cortez, Jennifer Holiday, Martha Munizzi, Jonathan Nelson, Gerald & Tammi Haddon, The Clark Sisters, Anthony Brown and Group therAPy, Ricky Dillard, Earl Bynum, Gene Moore, Donnie McClurkin, Kurt Carr, Isaac Carree, Jerard & Jovaun Woods, Joseph Lewis Thomas (R&B singer, Joe), Le'Andria Johnson, Ted Winn, Masked Singer Seasons 5 & 7, Stephen Manders and Decree, Jermaine Dolly, Karen Clark-Sheard, Myron Butler, Usher, Nicole C. Mullen, Darwin Hobbs, Daystar Network, Yael Hilton, Beau Williams, Kevon Carter, Ethan Kent, Dr. Judith McAllister the Churches of God in Christ (COGIC) music department, Bishop Paul S. Morton and the Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship Super Mass Choir and several others.

Currently, Roy serves as Music Production Coordinator at the Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship under the pioneering leadership of Dr. Tony Evans. Roy is married to recording artist, Niya Cotton, and they are the proud parents of Roy "Rocco" Cotton, III, Eric Stone Cotton and Nyla Jade Cotton. They reside in Dallas, Texas.

Conductor & Music Director Roy J. Cotton

Conductor Glenn Caldwell

Glenn's background in music balances between the worlds of sacred and secular but also includes a long history of working as a college professor, performer, composer, arranger/orchestrator, and conductor. With degrees from North Carolina A&T State University (B.S./ Music), Rutgers University (EdM/Creative Arts), and The Ohio State University (M.A./Music Theory & Ph.D./Music Theory), he continues to combine his interests in the performance of various musical styles with research in the field of music theory.

As a college student at NC A&T, Glenn arranged music for the various ensembles, including the marching band (The Blue & Gold Marching Machine). At Rutgers, he worked as a teaching assistant in the jazz division under notables Kenny Barron (master jazz pianist) and Paul Jeffery (former saxophonist in one of Thelonious Monk's last groups and, later, Director of Jazz Studies at Duke University). While working on his master's and doctorate in music theory at OSU (Columbus, Ohio), Glenn studied composition with Marshall Barnes, jazz saxophone with Vince Andrews, and jazz piano with Hank Marr. He also performed as a saxophonist with various classical, jazz, and gospel groups.

Glenn's background as an arranger/orchestrator has offered him the opportunity to create works for Stevie Wonder (the Natural Wonder Tour), the Lionel Hampton Band (with Chaka Khan), and others. In addition to his position as Music Department Chair and Professor of Music Theory and Composition at McDaniel College, Glenn is also the Creative Director for the brand Gospel Goes Classical (GGC). For GGC, he serves as the principal arranger, conductor, and overseer of "concert logistics." With his 20-year association with GGC, Glenn has produced approximately 90 arrangements/orchestrations that have been performed by numerous orchestras from around the world. Many of these performances featured awardwinning vocalists as Byron Cage, Jonathan Butler, Denyce Graves, Richard Smallwood, BeBe Winans, Marvin Winans, and many others. Three notable concerts involved the Johannesburg Music Initiative Orchestra that featured-in three consecutive years-Jonathan Butler, Benjamin Dube (multi-award winning South African artist), and Donnie McClurkin.

Glenn resides in Windsor Mill, Maryland (suburb of Baltimore) and, again, works as a professor and chair of the music department at McDaniel College which is in Westminster, Maryland. Dr. Clark W. Joseph is Minister of Music, Music Director, Choral Director and Pianist. He earned the Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees in Piano Performance (University of Louisiana @Lafayette), Master of Science in Education (Fordham University) and Master of Theological Studies in Theology/Worship (Perkins/SMU). He was also awarded the Doctor of Ministry (Bell Grove Theological Seminary) and earned the Doctor of Worship Studies (Liberty University).

Joseph previously served as Music Director of several plays with Black Spectrum Theatre in New York and Jubilee Theatre in Fort Worth, TX. He has traveled the U.S., Africa and Europe teaching gospel music. He has conducted the National Baptist Convention Musical, TBAAL Black Music & Civil Rights Movement Concert, Dallas Symphony Gospel Goes Classical and the Project Unity Choir at the Texas State Fair, A Night of Gospel. He has worked with Jennifer Holliday, Ledisi, Fantasia, Karen Clark-Sheard, Dorinda Clark-Cole, Marvin Winans, Earnest Pugh, Beverly Crawford, B. Slade, Kim Burrell and Melanie Fiona. Additionally, his church choir performed for the 2021 American Choral Directors Association National Convention. He has been invited as guest conductor for Mid-America Productions at Carnegie Hall in June, 2023.

His awards include the AMR Foundation Life Time Achievement Award, KHVN Choir Director of the Year, and Irma P. Hall Black Theatre Award Best Musical Director. He is a member of National Association of Negro Musicians, Gospel Music Workshop of America, National Convention of Gospel Choirs & Choruses, Phi Mu Alpha and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He serves as the Minister of Music and Worship Arts at the St. John Church of Grand Prairie/Southlake, TX. He is the father of three sons, Wynton Lamaur, Karmell Micah and Ross Wayman.

Choir Director Clark Joseph

Music & Vocal Director Dr. Myron Williams

Dr. Myron Williams is the President of the International Music Department of the 8.8 Million member Church Of God In Christ, Associate Pastor of Worship & Arts at The Chosen Vessel in Fort Worth, TX. where Bishop Marvin Sapp is the Senior Pastor, and CEO of the independent record label, Flow Records Music & Entertainment which produced highly successful award winning projects such as Gospel

Goes Classical, A Piece of My Passion, Made to Worship, and latest offering's Myron Williams Chronicles of Flow Vol. 1, and I'm Lost Without You. Williams, Known as one of gospel music's most sought after platinum producers, his distinctive sound and writing style has placed him and Flow projects at the top of the Billboard Charts since its inception.

Williams is credited with the music and sound fans have grown to love. A renowned musician, worship and praise leader, he found a way to harness the power and intensity of a praise service and capture the feeling on a track. This is why his production and writing skills are utilized to write songs for, produce, arrange, engineer, audio mix and master, video edit, sing with, record platinum and Grammy, Dove and Stellar award winning music with Kirk Franklin, Bishop TD Jakes, Marvin Sapp, Karen Clark Sheard, Justin Bieber, Demi Lovato, Kim Burrell, Mariah Carey, King and Country, and former Flow Records artist Juanita Bynum of which he produced 7 chart topping CD's. A successful recording artist in his own right, Williams first release on Flow Records Made to Worship debuted at #9 on the Billboard Gospel Charts, and stayed in the top 10 for several weeks. Williams originally entered the industry as a member of MDM & Voices, with brother Demarcus. They became favorites on local gospel radio programs in the Dallas/ Ft. Worth area. His big break came when he recorded the lead on the single "When My Season Comes," which was on the Grammy Award winning project by Potter's House. From that point his gift as a vocalist, producer, and writer has been in demand.

A loving father, husband and spiritual mentor too many, Williams resides in Arlington, Texas.

Associate Producer Faith Anderson

Born to working class parents, Kenneth and Frankie Anderson of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Faith is the latter of ten children born to her parents sustained marital union of 54 years. Of the ten children born to their vowed unification, seven were graciously, though reluctantly, given back to God shortly after their births. The Anderson's season of disappointment did not remove from them a willingness to endure and realize God's promise to bless them with a daughter. Their faithfulness was rewarded and their familial unit finalized with the birth of a treasured offspring who they respectively named Faith. The tenth child was born and the tenth child survived, as did her two older brothers, Keith Anderson and Joseph Anderson.

At the age of 22, she would be introduced to Kirk Franklin and thus begin her professional singing career as a soprano/alto on the following albums: The Rebirth of Kirk Franklin, Kingdom Come, HERO, Fight of My Life, and Hello Fear, Losing My Religion, and Tori Kelly's "Hiding Place." Her touring experiences include "The Fight of My Life Tour" featuring Kirk Franklin, the "Hopeville Tour", which featured artists Kirk Franklin, Donnie McClurkin, Yolanda Adams, and Smokie Norful, "The Hero Tour" which featured artists Kirk Franklin, Mary Mary, Myron Butler & Levi, and Men of Standard, and "The Steve Harvey Comedy Tour" featuring Steve Harvey and Kirk Franklin.

Her vast exposure to, and affiliations with, various artists has given Faith privilege, opportunity, and above all, access. She has been invited to continue supporting Kirk Franklin Ministries through various avenues such as recordings produced with and for others such as, Yolanda Adams, Jill Scott, Boys II Men, Earth Wind and Fire, Stevie Wonder, Pastor Marvin Winans, Fred Hammond, Dorinda Clark-Cole, Donnie McClurkin, Crystal Aikin, Tamela Mann, Shirley Caesar, Crystal Lewis, Anthony Evans, Tye Tribbett, J. Moss, Marvin Sapp and Toby Mac. Her live stage performances include the Grammy Awards, BET's 25th Anniversary Show, the BET Celebration of Gospel, the NAACP Image Awards, Dove Awards, Stellar Awards, The Monique Show, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, BET's 106th & Park, TBN's Praise the Lord, Radio City Music Hall, and the UNCF Tribute to Stevie Wonder. Faith has performed on the world stage as she presented her artistic work to audiences at Billboard LIVE in Tokyo and Osaka Japan and The Experience in Lagos, Nigeria. Her talents have taken her to stages in England, West, East, & South Africa, the Netherlands, the Caribbean Islands, and South America.

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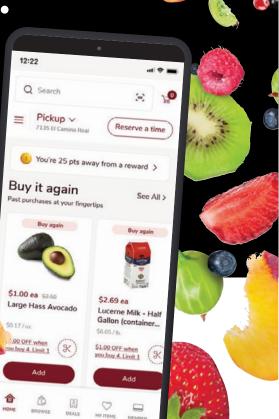


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For fourteen years, the Players Choir has delivered one of the most highly-anticipated musical performances during the biggest weekend in sports, the annual Super Bowl Weekend. Making its debut in 2008 in Phoenix, Arizona during the 9th Annual Super Bowl Gospel Celebration (SBGC), the choir launched with more than 40 active and former NFL players under the direction of Grammy Award-Winning artist, Donnie McClurkin,

Created by Super Bowl Gospel Celebration founder Melanie Few and developed with a core group of Christian NFL players who wanted to share their faith through song, the Players Choir is on a mission: to inspire all within the sound of their 'joyful noise' to live on purpose and find success through pursuing their passion! Players Choir members have included some of the NFL's most popular and talented players on and off the field, including Super Bowl Champions, Pro Bowlers, NFL Men of the Year and Pro Football Hall of Fame inductees.

Featured in top media outlets such as Good Morning America, CNN, FOX News, ESPN, Entertainment Tonight, The NFL Network and more, the collective's popularity has led to performances benefiting charitable organizations such as St. Jude Children's Hospital and the American Cancer Society. They have uplifted audiences with songs of praise at featured engagements for dignitaries and high-profile organizations such as The Pentagon, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, President Bill Clinton and The Trumpet Awards, to name a few. For the first time, this year the Players Choir will be a part of NBC's America's Got Talent (AGT), with the ensemble's first appearance on Tuesday, June 14.

Led by music director and Grammy award winning Gospel producer Myron Butler, tonight they join the Dallas Symphony Orchestra for "Together We Sing," sharing the stage with worldrenowned Gospel singer and Fort Worth native Tamela Mann, special honoree and Gospel legend Richard Smallwood, and more. Current and former NFL Players appearing with the choir include Bryan Scott, Atlanta Falcons; Cameron Newton, Atlanta Falcons; Michael Gaines, Carolina Panthers; Stephen Pierce, Cleveland Browns; Nick Roach, Oakland Raiders; Tully Banta-Cain, New England Patriots; Tommie Harris, Chicago Bears; Jamon Brown, Los Angeles Rams; Prince Amukamara, New York Giants; and Dwayne Wright, Pittsburgh Steelers.

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