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Voices for Christ History

Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I, send me. Isaiah 6:8

Pittsburgh-based, Voices for Christ have an exceptional way of touching the core of their audience's heart with their music ministry. Performing original songs that spring directly from the scripture, or covering songs of such gospel stalwarts as Richard Smallwood, Hezekiah Walker or Donnie McClurkin their disciplined harmonies, clear articulation and emotional delivery has the power to invoke a profound response in anyone, often inspiring them into action.

Following in the classical tradition of great vocal groups like the Temptations, Dells and more recently, Boys to Men, The Voices for Christ made the transition from singing in youth choirs, to secular music, before moving on to their custom blend of spirituals, Rhythm & Blues, jazz and world music known as contemporary gospel. The sound of The Voices for Christ is based on the unique blend of their voices and was shaped from the very beginning by their choral experience. It can shift in a heartbeat from a whisper, to individual leads, to what almost sounds like a full choir.

The Voices for Christ were founded in 1986 and over the last 30 years have won numerous awards. Among them, is winning the nationally and highly prestigious, McDonald's Gospelfest Quartet Division in 2017. They have performed dozens of concerts, locally and nationally to critical acclaim. In their travels, they have opened for such gospel stalwarts as Donnie McClurkin, Marvin Sapp, and Hezekiah Walker. They have also appeared on the highly respected and long running, Bobby Jones Gospel Hour on BET. Their first international album, More Like You, was released by the Tate Music Group, a Christian family-owned, record company based in Mustang, Oklahoma in 2013.

Latest Release and Career Highlights



Now Available
(latest release)

William Hawkins III - Lead/Backing Vocals
Jonathan McMiller - Lead/Backing Vocals
Rick Young – Lead/Backing Vocals
Earl Russell – Arranger/Keyboards
Kevin Ford – Producer/Sound Engineer

Booking

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CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- McDonald's Gospelfest (Newark, NJ) – 1st Place Gospel Quartet Performance (2017)
- Bobby Jones Gospel Hour – Appearance on the legendary, long running platform to stardom (BET)
- International Revival (UK) – Chosen and sponsored to travel to London to participate in a 3 week revival (1988)

“God, put this group together. And our music is purpose-driven and designed to further his kingdom. We take up the challenge to come correct on every performance. May his will be done!”

Interview with William Hawkins III and Rick Young

The Voices for Christ Ministry Glorifies God through their Personal/Community Efforts

MISSION STATEMENT: The Voices for Christ Ministry uses the universal language of music to both reach and inspire people to make lasting change in their personal lives and their respective communities

VISION STATEMENT: Seeking to put God's love into action, Voices for Christ Ministry aspires to inform, educate, encourage and entertain with a faith-based and purpose driven message and programs

PURPOSE STATEMENT: Voices for Christ is organized as a 501©3 nonprofit charitable entity. The reason for the existence of the Voices for Christ are the same today as it was the day our contemporary gospel group was formed over 30 years ago:

“We believe that our music reaches beyond age, race, and nationality through faith to touch people's hearts. We use music to inspire moments of Christian love, optimism and happiness in order to encourage people to invest in their personal lives, families, youth, senior citizens, churches and communities making the world a better place”



Testimonials

Voices for Christ is a wonderful local gospel group who has supported the Lupus Foundation of Pennsylvania (LFP) for years with their time, talent, and treasure. They have performed at the Lupus Loop Walk/Run, led fundraising initiatives benefitting LFP, and they have been great community ambassadors for this autoimmune disease and the work of the LFP. They are an important community partner and we are grateful for their continued support.

Dr. Linda R. Kostyak
Chair, Board of Directors
Lupus Foundation of PA

As we expected Voices for Christ's performance at our MLK Celebration was the highlight of a wonderful program. Their vocalization of "America the Beautiful" was the perfect song to kick-off their closing concert performance. Their song choices, harmonies and articulation lifted the audience providing a musical performance worthy of the legacy of MLK. They cannot be topped.

The ONE Music Fest MLK Committee

★ NO. OF CONCERTS PER NEIGHBORHOOD

