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DIXIE ECHOES SING AT HART COUNTY



young group and gospel music fans in this area will be looking forward to the Dixie Echoes' return to this area.

A small, but enthusiastic audience was on hand for the Dixie Echoes concert at Hart County High School July 19.

The Dixie Echoes, of Pensacola, came on stage before a crowd that was ready for some good gospel music. The audience was not disappointed as the Echoes sang such hits as "He's More Than Just A Swear Word," "After Calvary," and "Walking The Sea." One section of the program which was a real crowd pleaser had Dale Shelnut doing his rendition of a number of old Negro spirituals.

Billy Dale Sexton, the Dixie Echoes' tenor, sang his song, "I Want To See Jesus." If you have not had an opportunity to hear him do this song you're missing something. It is a tremendous song and Billy Dale does a great job singing it.

Dale Shelnut has put together a great

Hart County GMA Elects Board

As a main order of business at the July meeting of the Hart County Gospel Music Association, a board of directors was elected. The newly elected members include Carlie Stanton, Courtney Spradlin, Haskell McCubbins, and Don Cottrell. They will join the president, Johnny Melloan, and the vice-president, Jimmy McCubbins, who are on the board as a result of their offices.

The purpose of this board is to execute the general business matters of the organization as well as to present major proposals to the entire Hart County GMA. The members of the board ask for the suggestions and ideas of everyone involved in the GMA.

OPINION SURVEY

Use the singings that you have attended in recent months as a basis for your answers. Place the etter of your answer in the blanks preceding the numbers.

- —1. How often do you attend gospel singings? A. Very often. B. Often C. Occasionally D. Seldom.
- Where do you prefer singings to be held? A. Churches B. Auditoriums
 C. Gymnasiums D. Outdoors E. Other.
- —3. How many groups do you like to see perform in a singing? A. One B. Two C. Three D. Four E. Five F. More.
- —4. In your opinion, is the starting time of most singings: A. Too early B. Too Late. C. About right.
- —5. When considering the length of singings, do you think that most of them last: A. Too long. B. Too short. C. About right. COMMENTS:

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GOSPEL REACHING OUT

From The Hart Co. GMA President

By Johnny Melloan

Feotle are beginning to hear about the Hart County Gospel Music Association. Through COSPEL REACHING OUT, people with an interest in gospel music in many sections of Kentucky, as well as several other states, have become aware of the activities of the gospel groups in this area. Our membership is continuing to grow and expand into new areas.

So far the reactions to our organization have been overwhelmingly favorable. Those who I encounter as the Gospel Voices travel around singing are virtually always complimentary about GOSPEL REACHING OUT. This seems to be the case with others also. Recently Jerry Adams attended a meeting of the board of the State Singing Convention.

Many of those in attendance made complimentary remarks about the work that is going on in Hart County. They then subscribed to the paper. When the McCubbins Family cut their new record, they showed a copy of GOSPEL REACHING OUT to Duane Allen. He liked what he saw and became a member as well as an advertiser. Donna Stanton told Mrs. Lila Deskins of Sumar Talent about the Hart County GMA and now she is a member.

You see that the Hart County GMA is definitely "reaching out." And the reason for the effort and work of the members is their desire to spread the gospel to a world which is in need. Our cause and the results which we see give us something to be proud of.



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By Rev. Billy Compton

Moses and the children of Israel stood on the shore of the Red Sea looking on as Pharoah's army was drowned, and they were delivered by God. Exodus. Chapter 15, tells of how Moses and the children of Israel sang of their deliverance from the hand of Pharoah, saying: "I will sing unto the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and the rider hath he thrown into the sea.'

Since this time, great religious and spiritual movements have included the gospel hymn. In the pages of history we find that the preaching of the Gospel and the singing of gospel songs have worked side by side in reaching the multitudes for Christ. Men such as John and

Sankey, Billy Graham, and George B. Shea have been examples of how God has used the spoken word and "the word in song" to bring about the miracle of conversion.

I have known the singing of the gospel to do God's work in a soul when all other means had failed. I could not count the times when God has lifted my own spirits and delivered my soul from darkness by the singing of a gospel song.

It would be easy to write numerous interesting facts concerning the importance of singing in the public worship of the house of God. For, it is often that an entire congregation is melted and swayed by singing of the Gospel.

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BARREN CO. CONVENTION

The Barren County Singing Convention will be held August 12th at Browders Chapel beginning at 2:00 P.M. CDT. The church is located about 4 miles out Hwy. 68 from Glasgow towards Bowling Green. The special guests will be the Jubilairres, from Glasgow, and the Friendly Five, Scottsville. President, Don Cottrell stressed that the convention is not denominational and all faiths are welcome. The singings are held at a different church, inside the county, each month. If you would like for your church to host the Barren County Singing Convention or if you have any suggestions that would benefit the convention please contact: Cottrell, Box 49, Glasgow, Kentucky 42141 or call 678-2467. Be much in prayer for the August singing and "God be with you will we meet again.'

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4. . . Hart County Singing Conv. Cosby Methodist, 7:30 p.m.

12. . . Barren Co. Singing Convention

13. . . Tent Revival. Elizabethtown, Ky. 7:30 p.m. EDT

18. . . Metcalfe County Singing Conv.

19. . . Stephensburg Baptist Church. Homecoming.

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4. . . Gospel Mission, Louisville, Ky.

12. . . Trinity Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

25. . . Flener's Chapel, Morgantown

26. . . Full Gospel Lighthouse, Louisville, Ky.

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4. . . Hart County Singing Conv. Cosby Methodist, 7:30 p.m.

5. . . Summersville Baptist Church Summersville, Ky. 7:30 p.m.

6... Tent Revival. Elizabethtown, Ky. 7:30 p.m. EDT.

10. . . Gamaliel High School. 8:00 p.m. CDT

12. . . Trinity Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

Southern States Annual Meeting. Hart County High. 7:30

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 Elmer Varnadore, pastor.
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13. . . Southern States 50th Anniversary Meeting, Leitchfield, Kv.

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4. . . Hart County Singing Conv. Cosby Methodist. 7:30 p.m.

5. . . Jaggers Homecoming, Jaggers Cemetery.

19. . . Dorsey's Chapel Methodist. Homecoming.

26. . . Sugar Grove Methodist. Near Morgantown. 11:00 a.m.

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4. . . Hart County Singing Conv. Cosby Methodist. 7:30 p.m.

5. . . Allen County Singing Conv.

17. . . First United Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, Ky. 7:00 EDT

 Modern Woodman Annual Sing. Weldon Pk, Glasgow. 2:00

25. . . South Fork Baptist Church. Glasgow, Ky. 7:30 p.m.

26. . . Templeman's Chapel

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GMA MEETS AT HORSE CAVE

The August meeting of the Hart County GMA will be held at the Horse Cave Christian Church, August 9, at 7:30 P.M. CDT. Immediatley following the business meeting, refreshments will be served in the church basement.

Anyone interested in gospel music is invited to attend and become involved in the organization.

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Darlene Thornsburg Of The J. V. Trio

Darlene Thornsburg formerly Darlene Cave, alto singer for the Jack Vincent Trio has been involved in gospel music all of her life.

Her parents, Ray and Lavona Cave of Munfordville sang with the Happy Four from Bonnieville. Darlene sang with her two cousins as the Melody Three for a while.

Darlene loves country music next to gospel music, and has a style like Dale Wood on the piano. She was manager of the Shoe Box in Munfordville for two years, but now loves her duties as housewife.

Darlene became a new born Christian at the age of eleven at a revival being conducted at Rocky Hill Methodist Church, where her grandfather, Rev. A. L. Hodges was pastor. Darlene and her husband Kenny have been married five months, one day, and two hours. (ha!)

Kenny has always played country music until he started playing for the Jack Vincent Trio a short time ago. He comes from Carlisle, Kentucky. While working for the Hinkle Construction Company, Kenny met Darlene. Kenny is a building contractor by profession. The young couple is now making their home in Munfordville.

A couple of weeks ago we had the privilige of singing in Marion, Kentucky with a group of dedicated Christian men called the Christian Brothers. We also were blessed as we were able to witness two young boys accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. To us that is what our Gospel Singing is all about!!!

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Rev. Nobel Cottrell was our Pastor when I was saved and he and his wife Mrs Lily Cottrell helped me to grow in my Christian life. Mrs. Cottrell taught me to sing "No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus." I would now like to thank them for all they did for me. I would also like to thank my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Devore for raising me in a Christian home.

If you have never experienced salvation, the Bible says "whosovever calleth upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." No matter how much money you have, this will not save you. Neither will good works. But the Lord will save you if you will come to him in the right manner, asking for forgiveness of your

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By Donna Stanton

"People get into gospel music because they don't have enough talent to make it in any other kind of music."

That statement by a nameless DJ brought my channel flipping to an abrupt halt. Who did he think he was anyway?

Really I shouldn't have been so shocked. He was just voicing what seems to be the attitude of a lot of people. They look at gospel music as just another form of entertainment -nothing else. They seem to feel that the singers perform gospel music because their talent is too inferior to allow them to compete in other forms of professional entertainment. "Oh, they're just in it for the money" is the first thing these people say when a gospel group is mentioned.

Nothing could be further from the truth! One has only to listen to the gospel music being played today to know that some of the best singers and musicians in the country are in professional, semi-professional, and amateur gospel music.

I don't even want to talk about money. If we sat down and weighed the financial profits against the costs, it'd scare us all to death! But there are profits -- things money can't buy

Each Christian is given a job to do. As far as I'm concerned - and I'm sure most of the other singers would agree -singing gospel music is a calling, like a call into the ministry. If you asked every singer how they got started in gospel music, you'd probably get that many different answers but I'm sure

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