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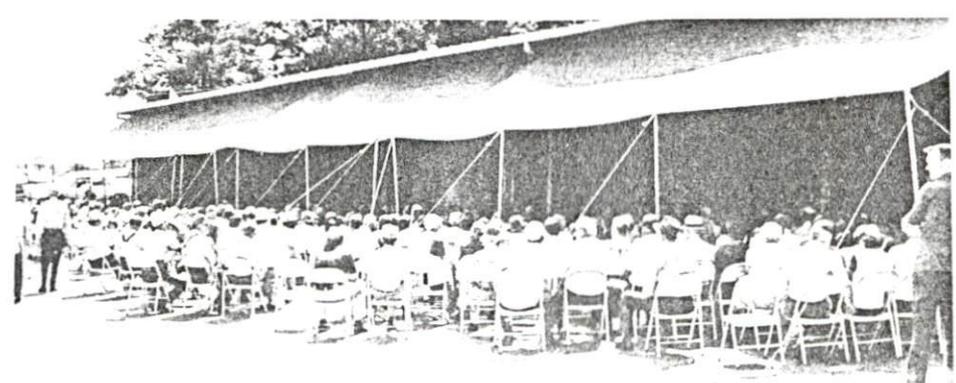
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SEPTEMBER 1975



The Servants Quartet of Campbellville, Ky., recently had the opportunity to sing at home again, a privilege they seldom receive anymore. There was a crowd of over 1500 people estimated by the directors of the RECC of Taylor Co. This was the second year in a row that the Servants sang for the annual event.

Photo by Central Ky. News Journal



## SEPTEMBER IS

### GOSPEL MUSIC MONTH

Governor Juilian Carroll has designated September as Gospel Music Month in Kentucky. Similar proclamations are being made by Governors all over the nation.

The proclamation which was made August 15 in Frankfort is included in this paper.

Governor Carroll stated, “I urge all citizens of the Commonwealth to participate in this observance with appropriate ceremonies and recognition.”

## State Convention Sept. 27 & 28

The 1975 Kentucky State Singing Convention will convene on September 27 and 28 at the Hart County High School Gymnasium in Munfordville. This year's convention, the 29th Anniversary of the singing which was first organized in 1946 at the Glasgow Armory, will open with a session on Saturday night and continue with singing on Sunday afternoon.

This year's president is Jimmy McCubbins, Munfordville and the secretary-treasurer is Haskel McCubbins, Munfordville. Gospel singers and musicians from all over Kentucky are expected to sing at the two-day event.

This annual event is always a highlight of gospel music in Kentucky. Make your plans now to attend the 1974 State Singing Convention.





## Faith Gospel Singers

The Faith Gospel Singers of Bowling Green, Ky. have a busy September planned. Included in their schedule are trips to Tennessee, Indiana and Iowa, as well as several singings in Kentucky.

## Blackwood Singers Featured At Tennessee State Fair

Ron Blackwood, Director of Fairs & Special Events for Sumar Talent Agency, reports that the Blackwood Singers are one of the main headliners for the Tennessee State Fair in Nashville, September 16th.

As to date, this is the only Gospel group to be appearing at the Tennessee State Fair.

Blackwood said it was a real privilege for the Blackwood Singers to be able to

represent Gospel Music in the heart of the music capitol of the world, "Nashville."

The Blackwood Singers are one of the main pioneers of putting Gospel Music in to the fairs on a national basis and plus educating fair buyers that Gospel Music is big and people love it. Today more fairs are booking Gospel Music more than ever before The Blackwood Singers are booked exclusively by Sumar Talent Agency of Nashville.

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## R. W. Blackwood "Shocks Audience"

R.W. Blackwood of the Blackwood Singers, while singing his latest single, "Create The Demand", in Fairfield, Iowa, started to shake hands through a wire fence and as he touched the fence, he was hit with a heavy charge of electricity that knocked him out of his shoes, split his clothes and was able, in a moment of almost final desperation, kicked himself away from the fence. Blackwood received deep cuts on the head, which required 16 stitches and was unconscious for several hours. After rushing him to the hospital he regained consciousness, and as of today, is back singing with the Blackwood Singers, but vows he will stay away from fences. The local doctor said he was a very lucky fellow. Just a hair more, and it would have been his last song to ever sing.

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- 6... Hart County Singing Convention  
Campground Methodist. 7:30 p.m.
- 7... Green County Singing Convention.  
Allendale Baptist Church. 1:00
- 13... Winchester, Ky.
- 14... Portsmouth, Ohio. Carey's Run  
Church of Christ. Homecoming.
- 21... Guthrie Chapel. Burkesville, Ky.  
Homecoming.
- 27... State Singing Convention  
Hart County High.
- 28... State Singing Convention  
Hart County High.

**FAITH GOSPEL SINGERS**  
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- 6... Burksville, Ky. 7:00 p.m. Pastor  
Tilman Strange.
- 7... Emanuel Baptist Church. Bowling  
Green, Ky. All Day.
- 7... Martinsville Missionary Baptist.  
7:00 p.m. Off Highway 101.
- 13... Merry Oaks Methodist Church.  
7:00 p.m. On Highway 68.  
12 miles south of Glasgow.
- 14... Grace Missionary Baptist Church.  
All Day. Hendersonville, Tenn.  
On old Shackle Road.
- 20... Boiling Springs. Assembly of God.  
7:00 p.m. Decatur, Illinois.
- 21... Davenport, Iowa. 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
- 28... Mt. Liberty Baptist Church. Morgantown,  
Ky. All Day Singing.

- 7... New Bethel Baptist Church. Near  
Scottsville, Ky. 7:00 p.m.
- 11... T. B. Hospital, Glasgow, Ky. 7:00 p.m.
- 13... Beech Grove No. 2, Monroe County.  
7:00 p.m.
- 14... Yankee Town, Sparta, Tenn. All Day  
Homecoming.
- 20... Cannelton, Ind. Freewill Baptist. 7:00
- 21... New Bethel. 2:00 p.m.  
Goodlettsville, Tenn.
- 21... Trambles Fork, Allen County. 7:00 p.m.
- 27... Grider Memorial. Glasgow, Ky. 7:00
- 28... Pisgah Methodist Church. Doweltown,  
Tenn. All Day Homecoming.

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- 1... Labor Day Rally. Evangel Tabernacle.  
Louisville, Ky. 12:00 E.D.T.
- 19... Benefit for Crippled Children.  
LeGrande Elementary. 7:30 p.m.
- 21... Cumberland Presbyterian Church.  
27 and
- 28... State Singing Convention.  
Hart County High.

**THE GOSPEL KEYS**  
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- 3... White County Fair. Sparta, Tenn.  
8:00 p.m.
- 6... Mt. Zion Methodist Church.  
Viola, Tenn. 7:00 p.m.
- 7... Shiloh Methodsit. Homecoming.  
McMinnville, Tenn. All Day.
- 20... Recording Session.  
Sonora Studio, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- 28... Bangham Heights Baptist Church.  
Cookeville, Tenn. 7:00 p.m.

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- 6... Nashville, Tenn. Gospel Sing.  
(5:00 - 7:00 p.m.)
- 7... Mt. Carmel Gen. Baptist. Scottsville,  
Ky. 7:00 p.m.
- 9... Belcourt Terrace Nursing Home,  
Nashville, Tenn. 3:00 p.m.
- 12... Open.
- 14... Eden Baptist. Goodlettsville, Tenn.  
2:00 p.m.
- 20... Grace Baptist Church. Owensboro, Ky.  
7:00 p.m.
- 21... First Assembly of God. Sullivan, Mo.  
All Day.
- 27... Community Center. Almadale, Tenn.  
7:00 p.m.
- 28... Luigi's Gospel Sing. Nashville, Tenn.  
8:00 p.m.

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- 6... Red Lick United Brethern. Adair Co.  
7:30 p.m. (All Night Singing)
- 7... Medco - Nursing Home. Campbellsville,  
Ky. 1:00 p.m.
- 14... Pink Ridge Baptist Church. Sulphur  
Wells, Ky. (All Day Homecoming)
- 21... Pleasant Valley Church. Knob  
Lick, Center Road. (All Day)
- 25... New Salem Baptist Church.  
Green County. Revival.
- 26... New Salem Baptist Church.  
Green County. Revival.
- 27... Milltown United Meth.  
Adair County. 7:00 p.m.
- 28... Savoyard Baptist Church.  
On Hiseville - Center Road. 1:00 p.m.

**THE GOSPEL TROUBADOURS**  
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- 10... Christian Church. Burkesville, Ky.  
7:30 p.m.
- 13... Fair Grounds. Frankfort, Indiana.  
7:00 p.m.
- 14... Mulberry Baptist Church. 2:00 p.m.  
Mulberry, Indiana.
- 21... Christian Nursing Home. Glasgow, Ky.  
2:00 p.m.
- 28... Talbott Missionary Baptist. 7:00 p.m.  
Attica, Indiana.

**THE HAPPYAIRES**  
Box 134  
Glasgow, Ky. 42141  
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- 6... Bellview Methodist Church. 7:00 p.m.  
Dunlop, Tennessee.
- 7... WEEN Radio Station. Lafayette, Tenn.  
3:00 p.m.

- OCT.
- 3... Algood Assembly of God. Cookeville,  
Tenn. 7:00 p.m.
  - 4... Quartet Convention. Nashville, Tenn.  
All Day.
  - 5... Rockbridge Missionary Baptist.  
Rockbridge, Tenn. 2:00 p.m.
  - 10... Pent. Church of Jesus Christ. 7:00 p.m.  
Springfield, Tenn.
  - 11... Methodist College. Owensboro, Ky.  
7:00 p.m.

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 31... Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. Afternoon.  
 6... Cannellton, Indiana. Freewill Baptist.  
 Sat. Night Singing.  
 7... Maceo, Ky. Morning Worship.  
 13... Green County Caravan Gospel Sing.  
 Summersville, Ky. 7:00 p.m.  
 14... Lincoln Village Show Barn.  
 Hodgenville, Ky. Sunday afternoon sing.  
 19... Gospel Tabernacle. Holland Road,  
 Scottsville, Ky. 6:30 C.D.T.  
 20... Lincoln Village Show Barn. 8:30 p.m. EDT  
 21... New Salem. All Day Services.  
 21... New Sulphur Missionary Baptist.  
 Near Burkesville, Ky. 7:00  
 27... State Singing Convention.  
 Hart County High School 7:00  
 28... State Singing Convention.  
 Hart County High. 10:00 a.m.  
 29... New Salem Baptist Church.  
 Revival Services. 7:00  
 30... New Salem Baptist Church.  
 Revival Services. 7:00

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- 7... Wesley Chapel Church.  
 Bowling Green. All Day Homecoming.  
 14... Custer Church of God. All Day.  
 Homecoming.

- 21... Grayson County Singing Convention.  
 Court House. 10:00 a.m. - all day.  
 28... Cedar Bluff Baptist Church.  
 on Browning Road. 2:00 p.m.  
 27... State Singing Convention.  
 Hart County High School.

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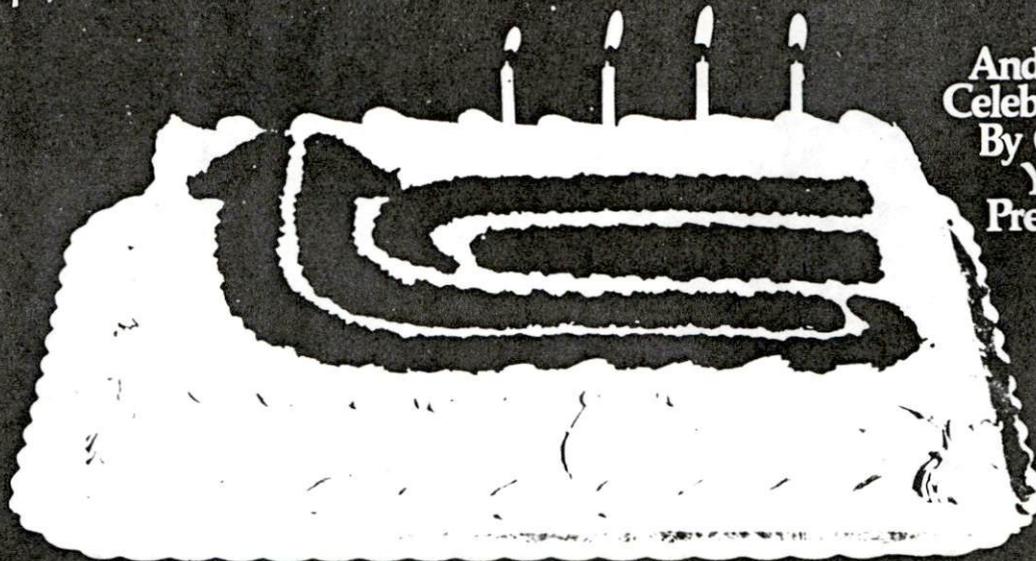
- 6... Lincoln Jamboree, Hodgenville, Ky.  
 7... Bethel Baptist Church. Green County.  
 1:00 p.m.  
 7... Indian Hills Baptist. Eli, Ky. 7:00 p.m.  
 13... Charlottesville, Virginia P.M.  
 14... Charlottesville, Virginia. Afternoon.  
 (For information call 804-296-0125)  
 21... Lebanon, Ky. Woodlawn Baptist.  
 Morning and Afternoon.  
 27 and  
 28... Ky. State Singing Convention.  
 Hart County High School.

# Gospel Tabernacle Singing

There will be a weekend of Gospel singing at the Gospel Tabernacle on Holland Road, Scottsville, Ky. on September 19, 20 and 21. The singing will begin on Friday night at 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday will begin at 1:00 p.m. On Sunday the singing will begin at 10:00 a.m. Gospel singers and preachers from all over Kentucky and neighboring states will participate in the weekend event.

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Dates for the 1976 Gospel Radio Seminar have been set and committee appointments made for the event which is sponsored by the Gospel Music Association.

Neil Newton, general chairman, said the seminar is to be held May 7-8, 1976 at the Airport Hilton Hotel in Nashville, where the 1975 seminar was held. Broadcaster registration fee is \$30 and industry registration is \$50.

Newton has appointed the following to coordinate events leading to the 1976 seminar:

Industry contacts and printed matter;

Steve Aune and Ken Harding.

Mailings and press information; Ed Allen and Dave Wortman.

Keynote Speaker, wrap-up speaker and banquet show; Charlie Monk and Lou Hildreth.

Food and registration; Judy Harris and Sylvia Mayes.

Agenda; Jim Black (others will be named later).

Secretary and accounting; Norma Boyd.

Registrations may be made during the National Quartet Convention at the GMA Booth, Newton said.

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## Dove Awards Program September 29

Stage set designer and orchestra conductor for the 1975 Dove Awards presentation program have been announced by John T. Benson, III, chairman of the committee for the Gospel Music Association.

Benson said John Caldwell, a director of Vineyard, Inc., has been retained to design the stage set. He will assist the committee in writing the script and producing the show scheduled for 8 p.m. September 29 at Nashville's Grand Ole Opry House in Opryland, U.S.A.

Caldwell is a former actor, having worked professionally in Canada, and has several years experience in scenic design, production, writing and directing.

"We are very pleased to have a man of Caldwell's caliber working for us on this project this year," Benson said.

"We have seen a mock-up of the set design and are very excited about it. When the curtain opens on the stage September 29, those in the audience will be treated to a breath-taking scene."

Benson said that Bill Walker, well-known Nashville arranger, will conduct the full Dove Awards orchestra for the second straight year. "As soon as the Final top 10 songs are known for the year, Walker will incorporate these into the musical program and selection will then be made of the groups to sing these top songs of 1975."

Balloting for the 1975 Dove Awards is currently in its second phase with ballots scheduled to be mailed August 1 to industry members of GMA for the second round of voting. In the initial round, members nominated their choices in 13

categories. Any nomination receiving five or more votes is placed on the second ballot. Deadline for returning the ballot is August 22.

Third and final ballot will contain the top five nominations in 12 of the categories and the top 10 nominations in the Song of the Year category. Final ballots are scheduled to go into the mail about September 1.

Winners of the 13 awards will be announced during the September 29 program.

At the same time, winner of the new "fan" award will also be announced.

Associate members of GMA are currently nominating their choices in four categories: Gospel Album of the Year, Song of the Year, Gospel Personality and Gospel Group. Members were to make one nomination in each of the four categories. Deadline for returning the ballot was August 1.

The 10 nominations getting the most votes on the first ballot, irrespective of category, will be listed alphabetically on the second ballot. These will be mailed to associate members August 15 with the return deadline September 12.

In addition to these awards, new entries into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame will also be announced September 29. A special panel of 100 electors are currently balloting for a candidate in both the living and deceased category.

Tickets for the Dove Awards program are priced at \$15.00 each and may be ordered from the Gospel Music Association, P.O. Box 1201, Nashville, Tenn. 37202. Seating at the Opry House will be awarded on a first come basis to ticket purchasers.



**GETTING DOVE AWARDS TICKETS** -- Mrs. Frances Preston purchases tickets for the 1975 Dove Awards presentation program from Jerry Clower, who is to serve as master of ceremonies for the event on Monday, September 29 at 8 p.m. in the Grand Ole Opry House at Opryland, U.S.A. in Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Preston is vice-president of BMI's Nashville office. Dove Awards are presented annually by the Gospel Music Association for Excellence in the field of gospel music.

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# WILKERSON FAITH SINGERS

Pray for the Wilkerson Faith Singers as we are returning to Clear Creek on September 3, this year. I have been busy writing songs and preparing to record a new album within the next year.

We visited Superior Sound Studios in Hendersonville, Tennessee where we met with Louie Swift, the producer, and Gene Rice, the engineer. A group from West Virginia called the Gospel Revelations were recording there August 16. They were really good and they had a nice spirit. As we all know this is the key to it all, letting God work through us.

Linda K. Wilkerson  
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## Warren County Singing Conv.

The Warren County Singing Convention will be at the Cedar Bluff Baptist Church on Browning Road. The guest wingers will be the Gospel Jets from Bloomington, Indiana. The program begins at 2:00 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

# PROCLAMATION

by the  
Governor  
of the

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To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, The composers, authors, publishers, and performers of gospel music have dedicated their lives to the glory of God through their various talents; and,

WHEREAS, Gospel music in an integral part of our American heritage and American music culture; and

WHEREAS, It is the profound belief among people associated with gospel music that a gospel song is an instrument of brotherly love; and,

WHEREAS, Gospel music offers the people of the world something to believe in and offers a reason for forging ahead;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JULIAN M. CARROLL, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 1975 as

GOSPEL MUSIC MONTH

in Kentucky, and I urge all citizens of this Commonwealth to participate in this observance with appropriate ceremonies and recognition.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort, this 15th day of August, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-five and in the year of the Commonwealth the One Hundred Eighty-fourth.

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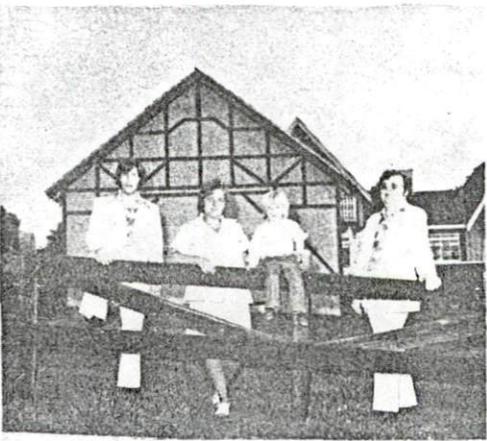
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