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"GOSPEL MUSIC NEWS FROM THE 'HART' OF KENTUCKY"

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JULY 1981



The Masters

The MASTERS is just what the name implies. Webster's definition is, "An expert in some work, as a skilled craftsman or a great artist." Each member of the MASTERS is the master of his part that makes the four-part harmony of a male quartet. In reality, each name in the MASTERS is bigger than the name MASTERS itself.

The names J.D. SUMNER, JAMES BLACKWOOD, HOVIE LISTER, JAKE HESS and ROZIE ROZELL are better known than any name of any major quartet or personality in gospel music.

The Statesmen and Blackwood Brothers down through the years have been and still are the best known and most popular groups in gospel music. These two major groups worked as a team for many years creating an image for the two groups in popularity.

In the Blackwood Brothers, as in any group, there were two stars - J.D. SUMNER and JAMES BLACKWOOD. Later, J.D. SUMNER started the STAMPS and of course was the leader and star of

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Statesmen to be in Green County, Ky.

The Statesmen Quartet will be singing at The Bethlehem Baptist Church on July 12th at 7:00. Gary Ervin is the pastor. The Joymakers will be singing also. Everyone welcome.

Gospel Music featured at Hart County Fair

There will be Gospel Music at the Hart County Fair on July 18 featuring The Cavelanders and the McCubbins Family. It will be in the Library since the floral hall burned. Come out and bring your friends and enjoy some Gospel Singing. It begins around 7:30PM.

State Singing at Scottsville

I would like to remind you to be sure and make your plans to be at the Kentucky State Gospel Singing, September 26 and 27 at the Allen County - Scottsville High School auditorium, in Scottsville, Kentucky.

We would appreciate every group's attendance. If you have any questions concerning this annual event, call 237-4963 or 237-4370 or write, Ronnie Williams, 215 1/2 West Main Street, Scottsville, Ky. 42164.

We are looking forward to seeing your group in Scottsville.

Sincerely,
Ronnie Williams

President of Ky. State Singing Convention



McCubbins Family in Texas area

The McCubbins Family will be leaving for the Texas area to sing on June 26 and will be in different areas until after July 4.

We will have a complete report in our next issue.

Hart County Singing

The Hart County Singing will be held at the Three Forks Bacon Creek Baptist Church on the 4th of July. The Church is located about 6 miles east of Munfordville, Ky

Courtney Spradlin is the President. He invites everyone to attend.

Grace Union Sing

The regular monthly Singing at the Grace Union Church in Metcalfe County will be held on July 4 at 7:00PM.

What's Happening

Gospel REACHING OUT

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Word Record Group has announced the signing of Joni Eareckson to a multiple album contract. Joni's first album, "Joni's Song," on the Word label will be released August 1.

Joni, who is a quadrapelegic, will donate all royalties from the sales of the album to Joni & Friends, a ministry set up to train, equip, and inform churches of the needs of the severely disabled.

Joni is a bestselling author with two books that have topped the New York Times Bestseller lists, she is a painter of renown whose paintings have been critically acclaimed, and she also starred in a feature film that dramatized her life.

The album was recorded at Devlin studios in North Hollywood and MCA Whitney in Glendale, California.

It was produced by veteran producer, Kurt Kaiser. Kaiser felt very close to the project, "Joni is a special person. She is an excellent singer, as well as a writer and singer. These talents have been heightened to a sharper focus because she is confined to the chair. If she had the freedom to walk I'm not sure she could give the talents she has as much time to develop. There were many tender moments during the recording and I came away feeling this is an important album for everyone and especially for those in similar situations."

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Kenny Roberts of Brotherhood Quartet

Be on the watch for this 5'7", 150 lb. wrestling champion who answers to the name of KENNY ROBERTS. He's a "Hoosier" from Bargersville, Indiana, and is presently holding the title of "BEST BARITONE SINGER YOU'VE EVER HEARD -- BAR NONE." Every where he travels with the BROTHERHOOD QUARTET his consistently - excellent performances endear him to the hearts of the listening audience.

KENNY is multiple-talented, being able to sing any one of the four parts, play guitar and bass guitar, and can learn the words to a song faster than the average singer thinks is possible! But his greatest talent of all is the enthusiastic way that he presents gospel music to the thousands of listeners at the BROTHERHOOD concerts. His way of expressing what GOD has done for him is revealed in an overflowing JOY that makes everyone know the LOVE OF GOD is within him.

KENNY ROBERTS, who became a CHRISTIAN less than 2 years ago, is on the move for the LORD. Come and hear this young man -- You'll receive a bless-

Elmer Hinton Memorial Singing July 11

Alexandria, Tennessee, will be the sight of a big gospel singing on July 11 at 8:00 at the Alexandria fairgrounds. The singing is a memorial for Elmer Hinton. The featured groups will be Jerry and the Singing Goffs, The Fox Brothers, The Encores, Carl Tipton Blue Grass Gospel, and The Monitors. Everyone is invited to attend.

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The copies we need are April, May, June and July of 1975, also January and March of 1976.

Please send them to Gospel Reaching Out, P.O. Box 477, Munfordville, Kentucky 42765.

News from the Monitors

The Monitors Quartet from Nashville, Tennessee, have signed a contract with Zondervan and Stamps Baxter. They will be looking for new release within the next 30 days.

The Monitors are host group for Summer Music City USA concerts held at the Convention Center in Cave City, Kentucky, throughout the summer. Gospel music is featured each Sunday.

In August they will feature the Fox Brothers and the Calverymen from Flint, Michigan.

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July 11 and 12 - Nancy, Fairbush, Ky. area

July 18 - Hart Co. Fair Grounds with Cavelanders, Library.

July 18 - Glendale, Ky. all day with Heritage Singers. Glendale days.

July 26 - Lone Oak Baptist Church, all day service.

August 1 - Maple Grove First General Baptist near Scottsville

August 2 - Zion Separate Baptist, all day, near Campbellsville and 210.

August 2 - Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, for more information call 502-465-3462, 7 p.m.

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July 3 - Antioch United Methodist Church, Sparksville, Ky., 8 p.m., Rev. Wayne Vangundy, pastor.

July 4 - Hamilton Auditorium, Campbellsville, Ky., 7:30 p.m. with Servants and Joymakers.

July 5 - Elk Horn United Methodist Church, Elk Horn, Ky., 11 a.m., Rev. Mike Brown, pastor.

July 5 - Bear Creek United Methodist Church, Burkesville, Ky., 1 p.m.

July 5-11 - Bear Creek United Methodist Church, Burkesville, Ky. Revival, Rev. Garry Polston, Evangelist. 6:30 p.m. each evening.

July 12 - Glasgow Bible Church, 2:00 p.m. Music by The Brotherhood Quartet, Message by Rev. Garry Polston.

July 12 - East Main United Methodist, Glasgow, Ky., 6:30 p.m., Rev. Howard Lee, pastor.

July 25 - Martin's Chapel United Methodist Church, Livingston, Tenn., 6:30 p.m.

July 26 - Levelwood United Methodist Church, Buffalo, Ky. Homecoming, morning and afternoon. Rev. Tommy Morrison, pastor.

Sunday's at 8:00 a.m. Brotherhood Ministries presents "Revive Us Again" Radio Station WAIN, Columbia, Ky. 1270 a.m. and 93.5 f.m.

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June 26 - Red Cross School, 7:30 p.m., benefit singing

June 28 - Green Hill Methodist Church, 11:00 a.m., all day service, 9 miles from Bowling Green on Road 1288.

June 28 - Boyds Creek Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m. near Glasgow.

July 4 - Barren County Gospel Singing, 7:30 p.m., Glasgow.

July 12 - Emmuel Baptist Church, 2:00 p.m., Portland, Tennessee.

July 12 - Portland General Baptist, 6:30 p.m., Portland, Tenn.

July 18 - Grider Memorial Baptist, 7:00 p.m., Glasgow.

July 19 - Hollis Chapel General Baptist, 6:00 p.m., six miles south of Portland, Tennessee.

July 19 - Missionary Mount Baptist, 11 a.m. all day service, Metcalfe County.

July 24 - Faith United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m., Glasgow.

July 26 - Barn Lot Theatre, 7:30 p.m. Park near Edmonton with the Temple Trio.

August 1 - Grace Union Baptist, 7:30 p.m. near Edmonton.

August 2 - Pleasant Grove C.P. Church, 11:00 a.m. all day singing, Metcalfe County.

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July 12 - Gilliams Park, Highway 80 East, 15 miles out of Somerset, Stab, Ky. 1:00 p.m.

July 18 - Faith Chapel, Farmersville, Ohio, 7:30 p.m.

July 25 - Jesus Name Pentecostal Church, Fairview Ave., Kingsport, Tennessee, Pastor: Jackie Begely, 7:00 p.m.

July 27-31 - Miracle Temple Jesus Name Church, "Camp meeting", Pastor Bro. A.F. Atwood, Waynesburg, Ky., 7:30 p.m., Special Singing and different Ministers nightly.

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July 25 - 6 p.m., Bible Lake, Bremen, Ky.

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July 4 - Germantown, Ky., Highland Christian Church, gospel sing, 3 p.m. - ?

July 11 - Indianapolis, Ind., gospel sing, 8 p.m.

July 12 - Cincinnati, Ohio, Baptist Church, 10 a.m.

July 25 - Wallingford, Ky., Christian Church, 7 p.m.

July 26 - Fox Valley, Ky., Comm. Church, 10 a.m.

August 1 - Nashville, Tennessee, Fowler Aud., 8 p.m.

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July 10 - Bradley, Ill., Social Brethren Homecoming, 10 and 12

July 24 - Shiloh, Ohio, Annual Ox-Roast, 6:30 p.m.

July 25 - Mt. Nebo, W. Va., State Sing, All Day

July 26 - Cranberry, W. Va., Cranberry, F/W/B, 11 a.m.

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July 5 - MARC Park, The Barn Lot Theatre with the Servants, 2 p.m., Edmonton, Kentucky.

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July 5 - New Harmony Homecoming, (all day), Logan County near Auburn, Ky.

July 12 - Emanuel Church in Portland, Tenn., 2 p.m.

July 18 - Separate Baptist Church in Oak Grove, Ky., at 7:30 p.m.

July 25 - Burger Queen Picnic Area in Hodgenville, Ky., 7:30 p.m.

July 26 - Mount Vernon, near Franklin, Ky., at 7 p.m.

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July 19 - Missionary Mound Baptist, Ed-
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No. 3 - We Shall Wear A Crown, Rex Nelon Singers - Canaan.

No. 4 - We Come To Worship, Blackwood Brothers - Voice Box.

No. 5 - Come Morning, Rex Nelon Singers-Canaan.

No. 6 - He'll Stand By Me, The Speers - Heart Warming.

No. 7 - Till The Land, The Hinsons - Heart Warming.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Brothers and Sisters In Christ:

I hope you are all enjoying the blessing of the Lord. We have all been busy working for the Lord.

I would like to personally invite all my friends in Southern Indiana, Southern Illinois, Kentucky and Tennessee to a big gospel singing on July 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn Convention Center in Nashville, Indiana, featuring the Sego Brothers and Naomi plus other groups. Admission tickets at the door.

We would love to see all our friends, especially from the great state of Kentucky, there.

Until we see or meet you again, God bless you all. We love you and most of all God loves you.

Yours in Christ,
Bro. Curtis D. Aiken

A Very Personal Look at Amy Grant

AMY GRANT COMBINES CONCERTS,
RECORDING AND COLLEGE CAREERS
AS TOP CONTEMPORARY SINGER

Amy Grant at 19 manages to combine activities as the top contemporary Christian female singer with more than 50 live concerts each year, a best selling record and full-time studies as a junior at Vanderbilt University.

Her new Myrrh Records album, "Never Alone" shot to the top of the charts in Cashbox and Billboard Magazines in just six weeks and Contemporary Christian Music Magazine in eight.

Last year she was nominated for a Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Performance, and nominated for Dove Awards as Female Gospel Vocalist and Album of the Year. She was featured in the nationally televised Nashville Billy Graham Crusade, with the Bill Gaither Trio, plus personal concerts all across the nation.

BE YE READY!

Pat Perkinson
Children of the Kind
Bedford, Ky.

"That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day, and showed him openly; Not to all the people but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

What a sermon Peter preached! He very quickly got down to the nitty-gritty of his subject. Peter, even as our Lord, did not mince words. He was a witness of the truth, not by accident or by his own choosing, but by the authority of Jesus Christ he and the other disciples were called into their ministry of being witnesses.

Brothers and sisters, if you have seen the truth of the Son of God and accepted Him as your Saviour and the Lord of your life, then you are responsible witnesses to the fact that God has power to save, even today. And by whatever means He has empowered each of us to do this, let us publish the Word of Life. Let us preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, if by speaking, then speak; if by writing, then write; if by singing, then sing for the glory of God. And this does not just mean sermons and best sellers and hit records. It also means conversations and letters and lullabies, each in his own way at the acceptable time.

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J.D. SUMNER is acclaimed the world's lowest bass singer. He is also a very talented composer and certainly a motivator in the business. J.D. SUMNER introduced bus travel to the entertainment world, started the National Quartet Convention and perfected the sound system as

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CAREER SKETCH: HOVIE LISTER

Three decades ago, a young man with a dream organized a group known as the STATESMEN. His name, HOVIE LISTER, has become synonymous with gospel music. HOVIE LISTER is the master showman ... whether he is playing the piano in that famous style which is exclusively his ... or holding an audience in the palm of his hand as Master of Ceremony in a gospel concert! HOVIE LISTER certainly was a pioneer in the field of gospel music as we know it today & still remains a leader and contributor to the field of gospel music today.

CAREER SKETCH: JAKE HESS

JAKE HESS shares with JAMES BLACKWOOD the honor of being the best lead singer in gospel music. More young singers copy JAKE HESS' style than any other man. He also has excelled in the field of publishing and record-production ... possessing a rare talent of knowing good material and how to arrange it. JAKE's style of singing, word-pronunciation and gestures make JAKE HESS a legend in gospel music.

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JAMES BLACKWOOD shares with JAKE HESS the distinction of being the greatest lead singer in gospel music ... the

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