

# THE ASCENSION QUARTET

## NEWSLETTER

November/December 2018

### FROM THE HEART

At this season, our hearts turn toward thankfulness for the many blessings God has given us. Mine is about 5'4" with blonde hair.

It was a couple of months since my wife of 35 years had passed. I had grieved and prayed about my future and the future of my family and ministry. In this pause of life, I began to ask God about the possibility of being alone. My desire was to be in God's will, no matter what. But, either way, He was going to have to confirm His will to me. I just wasn't interested in dating around. I prayed that if I was to be married again, for God to put a godly woman in my path, much like He did for Abraham's servant in search of a wife for Isaac.

He did it. A lovely friend from years before began to be in my thoughts, on Facebook, in memories... I was getting the message. God confirmed this blessing through my family, and, after we began dating, through my future-wife and a series of miraculously answered prayers.

Christmas day, 2015, we were engaged. I've been married to Regina for 2 1/2 years now, and God's blessing just gets sweeter. Merry Christmas to us all! ~Walter

### MOVED WITH COMPASSION

As a Compassion Artist, we are proud of our sponsored children. We'd like to introduce you to one of our sweet girls. Meet our amazing Grace!

Grace lives in Togo, West Africa. In her village, most homes are tin or brick with dirt floors. Most adults are not employed, those who are, are usually vendors or traders and make an average of \$40/mo.

Grace is 7 years old and enjoys dancing, drama, singing, playing with jacks and dolls, and learning about God at her local Compassion Center. She wants to be a doctor when she grows up.

Contact us to find out how to sponsor a child!



### CALL AND RESPONSE

When the Word goes forth, whether in word or in song, it will not return void! Recently...

A sweet family was in dire need of food. Another family who had heard us in concert, used Wayne's illustration of the word, "imputed," and ministered groceries in the name of Jesus!

A man who had just lost his mother, heard God's prompting to attend our concert. He came and God ministered. God is faithful in our need!

A dear friend of ours, and fellow musician, DeeDee Blankenship, lost her mother this summer and has found solace in Gospel concerts, ours included. There is no end to what God's Word, going forth can do. As DeeDee says in her song, "Always, Always, God is Good!"

### ON THE ROAD WITH TAQ

#### November 2018

November 22nd - HAPPY THANKSGIVING

#### December 2018

December 1st & 2nd - Family Time

December 25th - MERRY CHRISTMAS

December 31st @ 8:00pm - Pine Valley

Full Gospel Church, [15306 S State](#)

[Highway 21, Potosi, MO](#)

#### January 2019

January 12th @ 2:00pm - Bibleville RV Resort and Conference Center, [1346 N Cesar Chavez Rd., Alamo, TX](#)

January 12th @ 7:00pm - Bibleville RV Resort and Conference Center, [1346 N Cesar Chavez Rd., Alamo, TX](#)

January 20th @ 10:45am - Arcola Christian Church, [Hwy 39 and Y then east to the Church, Arcola, MO](#)



## THE WORD IN SONG

At this time of year, our thoughts go to the most wonderful love story- the story of great Love! God, who is Love, sent His Son to redeem mankind. That love story isn't some fairy tale or Hallmark movie. It's reality- and it's YOUR reality. God so loved... that He gave. Think of the magnitude of that love! He didn't pick and choose for whom He would sacrifice. The vilest sinner was loved by God to the point of giving what was dearest to His heart- the life of His Son!

One of the songs we sing is The Greatest Love Story. People are often moved to tears with the words that bring the blood of Jesus to life. Multiple times in the gospels, Jesus acted on behalf of those in need because He was "moved with compassion." The cross was the ultimate price for loving a sinful world, and unquestionable proof of His heart of compassion toward us. "'I love you' was written in His blood!"

But if the cross is a symbol of the great love Jesus has for the world in the face of His own, personal agony, then the manger is a symbol of the great desire Father God has for restoring relationship with His creation! As Adam tainted the seed of humanity for the rest of time, Jesus redeemed fallen man to enjoy the blessing and restore the communion with God that was originally intended.

It's all part of the same love story. When we cannot stand in our own righteousness, God can redeem our past. When we cannot point to anything we do as worthy of His love, He points to His Son. He never wanted our perfection, anyway. He wants relationship. "O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the LORD!"

## MAY GOD'S FAVOR REST ON YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DURING THE HOLIDAYS!

The message of the season is not  
"Let it snow" or even "Let us shop."  
The real message of Christmas is

*"Let us worship."*

## CONTACT

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more information.

This is the  
**season**

This is the  
**reason**



Thank you for partnering with The Ascension Quartet. The seed you have sown brings forth a harvest all over the Midwest. You share in the rewards and anointing of this ministry!

*Happy* NEW YEAR

You crown the year with Your goodness,  
And Your paths drip with abundance.

PSALM 65:11

