

MISSION

Our mission is to be disciples, go wherever God opens the doors, and share Christ's message of love and redemption. We want people to not only know about God, but to know Him as their personal Savior. We are committed to utilizing our spiritual gifts, our music, and our testimonies to bring hope to the hopeless, strength to the weak, insight to those who are blind, comfort to those who are mourning; and light to those who wander in darkness, all for the glory of God.

Philippians 1:6; Philippians 4:13

RENE' JONES

"The Christian Cowboy"

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Born in "L.A." (in this case, "Lower Ashton"), a small community on the outskirts of Walterboro, South Carolina, Rene' was raised singing in the church. His family was involved in farming, and he spent many hours singing while riding the tractors and working the land. In his teens, Rene' joined the gospel group The Beacons, and it was this background that gave Rene' his vibrant and smooth voice of today. He sings with passion, putting his heart, body and soul into his music, making his audience feel the presence of the Lord in his life.

After The Beacons, Rene' decided to try his hand at country music. He performed in country clubs, variety shows, festivals, parades, and was a featured entertainer at the 1987 *March of Dimes Telerama* broadcast from Charleston, South Carolina. In 1992, after having the pleasure of performing in sold-out concerts with Linda Davis and Lang Scott, Rene' and his wife moved to Nashville and embarked on a series of tours across Eastern United States. Rene's third album brought him within inches of a record deal. However, at the last minute, the record executives decided Rene' was too country and signed their second choice artist for the deal. Imagine being too country for country music. However. . . God had a better plan!

In 2003, Rene' felt the Lord calling him back to his roots of gospel music. Rene's first Christian Country single was released to radio in March, 2005 by GodsChild Records. Since then, Rene' has had several songs to chart in the Top 10 of the Christian Country and Country Gospel charts. His single ***Rockin' On The Front Porch*** went to #1 in January, 2009. He has appeared in *Music City News*, *Power Source* and *Christian Voice* magazines. He and his wife have made several television appearances including *TCT Network* and *Touching the World Ministries*.

Rene' was bestowed the honor of receiving the **2007, 2009, & 2011 Male Vocalist of the Year Awards**, the **2008 Soloist of the Year Award**, and the prestigious **2009 & 2010 Christian Country Crown Jewel Awards** by the United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians. He has also been nominated for Artist of the Year, Song of the Year, Male Horizon Award, Favorite Male Vocalist Award, and Duo of the Year Award (with his wife, Edie).

Rene' has been called by God to share the gospel through music. His mission is to be a disciple, go wherever God opens the doors, and share Christ's message of love and redemption.

Rene's CDs are available for purchase through him personally, his website, or CD Baby.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Ashton Baptist Church, Ashton, South Carolina
1985 – 1991

AWARDS

2007 Male Vocalist of the Year Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2008 Soloist of the Year Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2009 Male Vocalist of the Year Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2009 Christian Country Crown Jewel Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2010 Christian Country Crown Jewel Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2011 Male Vocalist of the Year Award

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

NOMINATIONS

2007 Male Vocalist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2007 Artist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2007 Song of the Year (I Know Him By Heart)

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2007 Crown Jewel Award for Christian Country Artist

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2007 Male Horizon Award

Country Gospel Music Guild

NOMINATIONS cont.

2008 Male Vocalist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2008 Soloist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2008 Song of the Year (I've Got His Blood On Me)

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2008 Crown Jewel Award for Christian Country Artist

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2009 Male Vocalist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2009 Soloist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2009 Crown Jewel Award for Christian Country Artist

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2010 Male Horizon Award

Agape Fest King Country Annual Fan Appreciation Awards

2010 Album of the Year Award

Top 10, Diamond Awards

2010 Christian Country Male Artist of the Year Award

Top 10, Diamond Awards

2010 Male Horizon Award

International Country Gospel Music Association

2010 Male Vocalist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2010 Soloist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2010 Crown Jewel Award for Christian Country Artist

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

2010 Song of the Year (Rockin' On The Front Porch)

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

NOMINATIONS cont.

2011 Favorite Male Vocalist Award

Country Gospel Music Fan Awards

2011 Duo of the Year Award (with wife, Edie)

Agape Fest King Country Annual Fan Appreciation Awards

2011 Male Vocalist of the Year

United States Association of Gospel Entertainers and Musicians

RADIO RELEASES

- 1.) **I'M ON A HOLY ROLL**
Released March, 2005 with GodsChild Records
- 2.) **GAIN A LITTLE HOLY GROUND**
Released September, 2005 with GodsChild Records
Charted #53 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, U.S. Gospel News
- 3.) **LIVING PROOF**
Released March, 2006 with GodsChild Records
Charted #33 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, U.S. Gospel News
- 4.) **WELL WATER**
Released September, 2006 with GodsChild Records
Charted #49 on the Christian Country Top 100, Power Source
Charted #27 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, Christian Voice
- 5.) **I KNOW HIM BY HEART**
Released March, 2007 with GodsChild Records
Charted #30 on the Christian Country Top 100, Power Source
Charted #13 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, Christian Voice
Charted #6 on the Independent Gospel Top 80 Most Played Songs for 2007
- 6.) **I KNOW A MAN WHO CAN**
Released September, 2007 with GodsChild Records
Charted #15 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, Christian Voice
- 7.) **DOIN' IT BY THE BOOK**
Released January, 2008 with Trappers Ridge Records
Charted #2 on the CGMG Top 80 Chart, Christian Voice
- 8.) **ROCKIN' ON THE FRONT PORCH**
Released November, 2008 with Trappers Ridge Records
Charted #1 on the CCG Top 100 Chart, Christian Country Gospel News
- 9.) **HE'LL BE HOME SOON**
Released February, 2010 with Trappers Ridge Records
Charted #2 on the Top 10 Chart, Christian Music Weekly Country Chart
Charted #13 on the Top 75 most played Country Gospel Songs of 2010
- 10.) **LOOK WHAT HE'S GIVEN ME**
Released February, 2011 with Trappers Ridge Records
Charted #20 on the Country Gospel Top 100, Christian Voice

TELEVISION APPEARANCES

March of Dimes Telerama
Touching the World Ministries
Rejoice! Program/TCT Network
TCT Today/TCT Network

HONORABLE MENTION

Rene' was chosen by LifeWay Christian Resources to sing the #1 hit song, Touch Of The Master's Hand as a surprise for the writer, John Kramp, when he came to speak at LifeWay's chapel service on October 11, 2007.

NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

With Linda Davis in Nashville-Carolina Music Revue, St. George, South Carolina
Texas Troubadour Theater, Nashville, Tennessee
Inspirational Country Music Convention/Awards, Nashville, Tennessee
U.S. Assoc. of Gospel Entertainers & Musicians Awards Show, Nashville, Tennessee
Country Gospel Music Guild Convention/Awards, Grenada, Mississippi
Agape Fest Fan Appreciation Awards, Granbury, Texas
Belmont Mansion, Nashville, Tennessee
Country Gospel Music Fan Fest, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
CMA Music Fest (Fan Fair), Nashville, Tennessee
Sunday Mornin' Country, Nashville, Tennessee
Ryman Auditorium, Nashville, Tennessee
Grand Ole Opry House, Nashville, Tennessee

FAIRS/FESTIVALS/PARADES

Gospel Song Fest, Whites Creek, Tennessee
Wilson County Fair, Lebanon, Tennessee
Williamson County Fair, Franklin, Tennessee
Middle Tennessee County Fair, Murfreesboro, TN
Rice Festival, Walterboro, South Carolina
Edisto Riverfest, Edisto, South Carolina
Fiddler's Grove Storytelling Festival, Lebanon, Tennessee
International Gospel Music Fest, Columbia, Tennessee
Oktoberfest, Lebanon, Tennessee
Rice Festival Parade, Walterboro, South Carolina
Watermelon Festival Parade, Hampton, South Carolina

MISC. PERFORMANCES

Variety '87, Walterboro, South Carolina
Variety '88, Walterboro, South Carolina
Variety '89, Walterboro, South Carolina

MISC. PERFORMANCES cont.

Little Miss Walterboro Pageant, Walterboro, South Carolina
Officers & NCO Club, Air Force Base, Charleston, South Carolina
Nashville Palace, Nashville, Tennessee
Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Dogwood Hills Country Club, Walterboro, So. Carolina
Hampton Street Auditorium, Walterboro, South Carolina
Law Enforcement Praise Alive, Indianapolis, Indiana
Home Safe (Shelter for Domestic Violence), Lebanon, Tennessee
American Legion, Nashville, Tennessee
Armed Forces Day, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee
LifeWay Christian Resources Chapel Service, Lebanon, Tennessee
LifeWay Christian Resources Administration Banquet, Brentwood, Tennessee
Nashville Cowboy Church, Nashville, Tennessee (WSM AM)
Smoky Mountain Cowboy Church, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
Cross Roads Cowboy Church, Fairview, Tennessee