

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Planning and going on the first two tours, singing in chapel, being part of a diverse group, being part of the first choir.”

**Fred Dade, '86 to '90**

### *What Has Been One Of The Ways That God Has Used Your Prayers To Bless The Choir And Its Ministry?*

“I have seen how God has richly blessed the choir during the time I have served as a Prayer Warrior. This is evident in the Praise Reports the members share after retuning from their concert/mission tours, etc.”

**Sharon Coutryer, Prayer Warrior**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Psychology Professor at Wheaton College, teaching courses in Social and Cross-Cultural Psychology.

**Dr. Darlene Hannah**  
Prayer Warrior

Artist, Teacher

**Ray Wu, '94 to '95, '96 to '97**  
Prayer Team, '94 to '95

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### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Spring Break 2004—Brevard Correctional Institution with IPM.”

**Ginny Hargrave, '02 to '05**

### *What Has Been One Of The Ways That God Has Used Your Prayers To Bless The Choir And Its Ministry?*

“Lifting up the Eglers.”

**Susan J. Hayden, Prayer Warrior**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

I am a seventh grade mathematics teacher and have been for seven years. I took a one year leave in '03 to '04 to teach English in Asia.

**Sally Abraham, '95 to '98**  
President, Vice-President, '97 to '98

Assistant Director of Admissions at Wheaton College

**Jeannine Nyangira, '91 to '95**  
Cabinet, 1 year

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*What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Too many to count!”

**Lisa Leftwich, '90 to '93**

*What Has Been One Of The Ways That God Has Used Your Prayers To Bless The Choir And Its Ministry?*

“God hears the prayers and the Gospel Choir will impact the name of Jesus Christ for the people.”

**Ricardo Gallegos, Prayer Warrior**

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I am a pastor in my hometown at the church I grew up in. My wife and I are expecting our first child in August.

**Rev. Benjamin Wedeking, '95 to '98**  
Chaplain, 1 year

Attorney for the state of Illinois.

**Millie Rivera, '95 to '99**

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### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Hanging out with Tanya and the cabinet. Growing like crazy spiritually. Dancing oh yeah. Singing in prison.”

**Jeff Larson, '02 to '06**

“Retreat games, times on tour—staying in people’s homes.”

**Sally Abraham, '95 to '98**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Employed as a lab technician at a chemical manufacturing company, actively involved at my church (youth staff member, Sunday school teacher, participating on various committees).

**Amanda Sunny, '94 to '97**

I am an Assistant Director of Admission at Biola University, and am working of my Master's in Organizational Leadership.

**Carrie Stockton, '96 to '00**  
Secretary, '97 to '98

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“I enjoyed all the people, the laughter, and the love. Tanya Egler is the catalyst for all of those things; therefore I guess spending time with her and her family are great memories.”

**Shachon F.E. Leaf, '92 to '93**

“Retreat, fall concert, singing at Jubilee!”

**Kathleen Wilkinson, '06 to '07**

“Jubilee concert/dance party, sleeping outside of Tanya's with Fidela (and getting rained on!)...about every concert or busride.”

**Caitlin Desjardins, '06 to '07**

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I work with a chiropractor. I am a sound therapist. I still sing—I'm on the Praise Team at my church (which sing only gospel as of now since it's a black church)...so that's right up my alley.

**Jennifer Ervin, '94 to '96**

“At home” mom with two boys.

**Julie Whitecotton Melilli, '91 to '95**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Practices, a time during the week to fellowship and be with God. I always felt encouraged after rehearsals.”

**Kirstin van Gend, '06 to '07**

“Recording the album.”

**Austin Winter, '06 to '07**

“Thomas Egler, age 10, throwing up on the tour bus.”

**Jeannine Nyangira, '91 to '95**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Teaching math and science to middle school kids

**Yecenia Proano-Leal, '94 to '95**

Recently moved by back into the Wheaton area to do secretarial work at Church of the Great Shepherd.

**Robyn Giberson, '05 to '06**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“First, I think we were the first year they decided to get “uniforms”—they were these knee-length blue school dresses—so glad you got choir robes! Second, one night when our group used the van and returned it, our director, Fred Dade, returned it and when he signed out the group, the station thought we were making a practical joke and read his signature as Fred E. Dude (maybe you had to be there).”

**Janet Tang, '89 to '90**

“Jubilee Worship Lounge, singing for a handful of people and worshipping God!”

**Joellah Lutz, '06 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Working in New York, saving for Graduate School.

**Kathryn “Hope” Welch, '02 to '03**

Working as a corporate communications manager; married with two kids.

**Lisa Leftwich, '90 to '93**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Rehearsals were sometimes even more of a blessing than concerts. Tanya is the choir’s greatest treasure! I also thoroughly enjoyed our times with the Soul Children of Chicago...definitely a highlight!”

**Andrea Scott, '90 to '92**

“Workshop last semester at Wabansae High School.”

**Cara Coleman, '06 to '07**

“The dance moves, Gospel Choir Retreat (jump rope), the fact that we are a family.”

**Diahna Davis, '06 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Home with four kids.

**Janet Tang, '89 to '90**

Graduate School—working on my M.S. in Hydrobiology at New Mexico Tech. Also, getting ready to get married in New Mexico in May!

**Ginny Hargrave, '02 to '05**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Staying with host families/visiting different churches on the California tour. I had my good time ticket.”

**Tesh Frackiewicz, '05 to '07**

“Touring in Tanya’s hometown, placing really high in Atlanta, the first time Tanya pulled me out of the choir impromptu to speak.”

**Rev. Benjamin Wedeking, '95 to '98**

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Graduating soon from college and getting married!

**Josh Mullan and Karen Malakin, '05 to '06**

Josh: Business Manager, '06 to '07

Karen: Website Manager, 1 year

I am completing a project in Fort Wayne, Indiana that involves working with people with disabilities. I am also a member of Wheaton Christian Center where I serve as Coordinator for our Women's Advance Conference.

**Sharon Coultryer**  
Prayer Warrior, 2 years

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“GC remains one of my top two best college experiences. The Spring Break trip of '92 I remember a lot. My favorite memories, though, are of singing with the choir—what fun!”

**Julie Whitecotten Melilli, '91 to '95**

“Tour to Florida...”

**Jade McInroe, '03 to '07**

“California tour '95.”

**Tiffany Egler, '90 to '07**

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Graduate student at Wheaton,  
plan to go to medical school,  
Lord willing.

**Jeffrey Larson, '02 to '06**  
President, '03 to '05

Geology Professor at Wheaton  
College

**Christopher Williams, '89 to '91**  
Business Manager, '90 to '91

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“I just loved being a part of something multi-cultural because I believe in that greatly, and it’s still a huge part of my life. I really enjoyed singing under Walt Whitman one Sunday at his church. I love the Soul Children.”

**Jennifer Ervin, '94 to '96**

“The California tour! Being at Erin’s church. Our debrief after the concert at Pepperdine.”

**Sarah Agee, '04 to '07**

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Currently, I am a middle school teacher at Lovett Elementary School in Chicago.

**Shachon F.E. Leaf, '92 to '93**

Bible/Theology major at Wheaton College, aspiring to teaching the Bible to women.

**Katelyn Weaver, '05 to '06**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“California tour at Pepperdine in that small room in the library when we had “family time.”

**Amy Coles, '05 to '07**

“South Bay on California tour and Jubilee Sunday Service.”

**Dominique Floyd, '04 to '07**

“Too many to recount here...it changed the course of my life in many ways to intentionality in relationships with people outside of my familiar circles.”

**Christopher Williams, '89 to '91**

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I'm an Assistant Professor of Marketing at the Graziadio School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University in Malibu, CA.

**Andrea Scott, '90 to '92**  
Assistant Director, 2 years

Retired R. N.

**Susan J. Hayden**  
Prayer Warrior, 20 years

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Being included during prayer times after a few rehearsals.”

**Dick and Joan Fox, Prayer Warriors**

“Retreat games, times on tour—staying in people’s homes.”

**Sally Abraham, '95 to '98**

“Total Praise with my church’s mass choir on tour 2007.”

**Erin Strong, '04 to '07**

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Working for the campus as a project technician in the Physical Plant

**Ricardo Gallegos,**  
Prayer Warrior, '06 to '07

Assistant Professor of Music at Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania; Ph.D. student in music Education at the University of Michigan (expect to graduate in May, 2008).

**Fred Dade, '86 to '90**  
Founding Pianist/Director, '86 to '90

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“California tour. Seeing the song lyrics in relation to my life.”

**Farrell Shannon, '05 to '07**

“Visiting other churches.”

**Lindsay Bramel, '93 to '94**

“California Tour, meeting each other.”

**Karen Malakin and Josh Mullan, '05 to '06**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Living in Chicago. Stay-at-home mother with kids.

**Adonya Little**

Living in Lawndale, Chicago, where he works for the Lawndale Christian Health Center.

**Quincy Arrington, '02 to '03**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“First, having special session for the New England kids, myself included, to work on jumping and clapping simultaneously (with some degree of rhythm). Second, when life as I knew it was crumbling, have a place to come and worship Almighty God—to praise through the pain and retrain my eyes on Jesus.”

**Kathryn “Hope” Welch, '02 to '03**

“Cabinet, tour, homeless shelter.”

**Cynthia I. Rzmirez-Martinez, '05 to '07**

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Pastors a church in North Chicago.

**Pastor Mel Cartwright,**  
Prayer Warrior, 1 year

Living in Pilson, Chicago, she works for a non-profit educational organization.

**Emily Kratky, '01 to '05**  
Secretary, '02 to '04

## Questions You Answered

*What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Spring concert was fun!”

**Yecenia Proano-Leal, '94 to '95**

“Florida: Mary Hegstrom singing “You’ve Got What I Need,” light shining down on inmates and choir while singing “I’m Available.  
California: Good Time ticket, Adwalpaker’s church, Malibu Pres.-the view.”

**Nathan Nanfelt, '03 to '07**

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Graduating in 2007 from Wheaton College with a B.A. in English.

**Evelyn Yang, '03 to '05**  
Chaplain, '04 to '05

Living in the Wheaton area, where she works as the Assistant Director of the Human Resources Department at Wheaton College.

**Heidi Mitchell**  
Prayer Warrior, Several Years

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“One part of being in the Gospel Choir that was a highlight was the California tour of 2006.”

**Katelyn Weaver, '05 to '06**

“Thomas Egler, age 10, throwing up on the tour bus.”

**Jeannine Nyangira, '91 to '95**

“The retreat.”

**Amy Keating, '06 to '07**

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Recently moved back into the Chicago area.

**Christel Perkins, '02 to '04**  
Tour Coordinator, '03 to '04

Works as a journalist for Wheaton College.

**Jessica Allen, Alumnus**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Rehearsals were fun. Singing in churches and schools was great fun. My first year in choir (my freshman year) was a life-changing experience.”

**Ray Wu, '94 to '95, '96 to '97**

“Eating lunch with church members after performances.”

**Stephanie Thomas, '06 to '07**

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Faithfully serving in the Grad. Department CPO.

**Effie Soles**

Prayer Warrior, Many Years

Currently in Medical School in Ben Gurion, Israel.

**Chika Okoronkwo, '02 to '06**

Assistant Director, '93 to '05,  
Business Manager, '03 to '04

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“The way God speaks through worship: it is a mutual blessing—He receives our praise, yet as worshippers we are convicted, encouraged, and blessed by Him in the process—so my favorite memory is pretty much any time of genuine worship.”

**Krista Wiegart, '06 to '07**

“Concerts, standing in the back row, Martin Luther King Celebrations at DuPage AME, Georgia tour.”

**Carrie Stockton, '96 to '00**

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Works in media relations for recording artists along the East Coast.

**Hope Allen, Alumnus**  
Assistant Director

Currently a full-time nanny and pursuing her passion for artistic endeavors.

**Jennifer Carver, '02 to '06**  
Vice-President, '03 to '05

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*What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Touring the Southern States, and retreats at Tanya’s house at Glenwood.”

**Millie Rivera, '95 to '99**

“Tour, 2006, V. Michael McKay seminar, Avis Graves.”

**Kelsey Tunney, '05 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Lives with wife and children in Wheaton area, where they together run a Koininia House for men.

**Jeff Barron, '03 to '05**

Lives in Chicago, where he does administrative work.

**Logan Quan, '03 to '05**  
Tour Coordinator, '04 to '05

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Logan’s fundraising committee, Pepperdine prayer on tour, ministry at homeless shelters in ’05 in Aurora.”

**Angel Bolka, '04 to '07**

“Just before a concert, gearing up in the back corridors of Edman Chapel, tour—so much fun! So many great memories! And, of course, performances—a blast worshipping the Lord!”

**Nancy Kapp, '93 to '95**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Now married to beautiful wife Emily, works as a full-time evangelist through a program affiliated with the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College.

**Rob Welch**  
Prayer Warrior, '03 to '07

Nannies part-time and is also attending pre-nursing classes at the College of DuPage.

**Chinwe Okorie, '01 to '05**  
Business Manager, '03 to '05

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Learning to clap on two and four and learning to do the “arm wave” clap, being welcomed by so many other churches while on tour—such a blessing!”

**Karena Rowenhurst, '95 to '96**

“The retreat, Jubilee, fall concert, worship session during practice.”

**Jamie Patrick, '06 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Graduate student studying at Wheaton, Graduate Resident Director at Williston dorm at Wheaton College.

**Michelle Santis, '04 to '05**

Currently living and working in the Oak Park area.

**Leila Noelliste, '05 to '06**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“South Bay California prayer before the altar!—the brokenness there.”

**Bethany Cook, '05 to '07**

“Tour—South Bay Church, going to the beach; The House, G-C dinners.”

**Jess Medrano, '05 to '07**

“California was beautiful and painful and I will never forget it.”

**Daniel Moore, '05 to '06**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Graduating from Wheaton College in May 2007 with a B.A. in Psychology.

**Robert Turnbull, '03 to '05**

I am a speech-language pathologist at a children's hospital in the Washington, D.C. area. Still looking for another gospel choir to join!

**Karena Rowenhorst, '95 to '96**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“Sitting on the floor of a room in the library at Pepperdine, just being real with each other and crying, praying before God.”

**Michael Fox, '04 to '07**

“Florida tour, singing at churches.”

**Mary Hegstrom, '03 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Currently living and working in Pilsen, Chicago.

**Rebecca Peterson, '02 to '06**

Stay at home mom with three kids

**Lindsay Bramel, '93 to '94**

## Questions You Answered

### *What Is Your Favorite Gospel Choir Memory?*

“My favorite Gospel Choir memory was my first fall concert, because it wasn’t really a concert, it was a worship service.”

**John Bagley, Jr., '06 to '07**

“Florida prison ministries, especially the men’s choir, Malibu Pres. In California, and our old prayer time before Gospel Choir.”

**Taneka Jennings, '03 to '07**

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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Working in the Student Activities Office at Wheaton College and working on getting into the Counseling Ministries Masters Program for fall of 2007

**Nancy Kapp, '93 to '94**

Violin performance major at Wheaton College. Will graduate from the Music Conservatory in May 2007.

**Heather Herford, '03 to '04**