

MY HERITAGE, MINISTRY AND THE FUTURE



BOBBY CRUMPLER

In 1987, I rededicated my life to Christ and began my ministry as a Minister of Music in a small church in Canton, Michigan.

There began a foundation of singing gospel music that led to the formation on a number of singing groups. In 1990, I founded the singing group The Chapels who today have recorded eight CD's and continue to travel and spread the gospel in song. I sang first tenor with this talented group and left when I felt the calling to a solo ministry.

We had the great fortune to be invited to appear on three Bill Gaither Homecoming videos in 1997 after he heard my rendition of "My Heart Is A Chapel". The original 1957 recording featured my father Denver Crumpler with the Statesmen Quartet. Brother Gaither told me that this was his favorite song and my father was his favorite tenor.

My introduction to gospel music came as early as I can remember. As a child through the ministry of my father, Mr. Denver Crumpler, I was blessed by being able to sit on the piano and hear the greatest singers of our time.

My father dedicated his life to gospel music by signing with two of the most acclaimed quartets of our time, The Rangers Quartet and The Statesmen Quartet.

His contribution to gospel music is well known and recognized with his induction into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 1973. His influence on me was without a doubt profound, and that tradition continues today through my ministry. I went on to study music at Kent State University and had the great honor to study trumpet with Mr. H.B. Herforth, the first chair for the Cleveland Orchestra in the late 60's.

The future for me has never looked brighter. This year I've developed this web site called BobbyCrumpler.com for promoting and selling my music.

I also began working with the talented and gifted Gerald Wolfe and his production company out of Knoxville, TN to produce a number of songs I've written. The most current endeavor is a new recording of my original "Put Christ Back In Christmas" that was just completed in September and will be available for purchase on this site starting November 1, 2004.

Singing with me on this CD single cut is Jason and Missy Waldroup. Jason is the first tenor for Greater Vision and is up for a number of awards in the Southern Gospel venue.

"Put Christ Back In Christmas" was produced with a contemporary arrangement that has appeal to all who listen. Also, I am currently working another solo project that will feature six original compositions and songs that will highlight my heritage.

Again, thank you for taking a moment to learn a little bit about me. My prayer is that you will be blessed by my music and that you will come closer to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

God Bless & Keep, Bobby Crumpler