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And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived. (Luke 2:8-21 NIV)

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God bless you,

Bishop Joel and
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Use your gift to CHANGE THE WORLD

By: Bishop Joel Peebles

Each one of us has been created by God for a particular purpose, an assignment, a job, and we have been anointed with certain gifts with which to fulfill that purpose. We are to use our time, talents, gifts and resources to serve and glorify God in all that we do so that others may see Him through us. These gifts are not for our glory but to bless others, to fix the broken places and point the way to Him. Jesus used the “Parable of the Bags of Gold” (in the King James Version it is the “Parable of the Talents”) to explain how God expects us to be wise in how we use what He has given us until He returns.

“Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money.” (Matthew 25:14-18)

The master of those servants who used their talents to bring him increase was very pleased, and because of their faithfulness he rewarded them with promotions and even more talents. To the one servant whom he found to be unfaithful, hiding his talent rather than using it to glorify the master, his talent was taken away and he was cast into outer darkness. We are caretakers of this earth, and not using our gifts

and blessings to be a blessing to others is a form of rebellion.

With what God has given us He can use us to change the world. Through His love, power and our unselfishness we can help heal the sick, mend the broken-hearted, change minds, feed the hungry, clothe the naked and find shelter for the homeless. We can point the way to Jesus and let the world know that He and only He is the door to the Father.

“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’” (Matthew 25:38-40)

Whatever gift God has given you is connected to your purpose, and He has entrusted you with it so that you, as a faithful servant, may help to change the world. And one fine day He will say to you, “Well done, good and faithful servant.”



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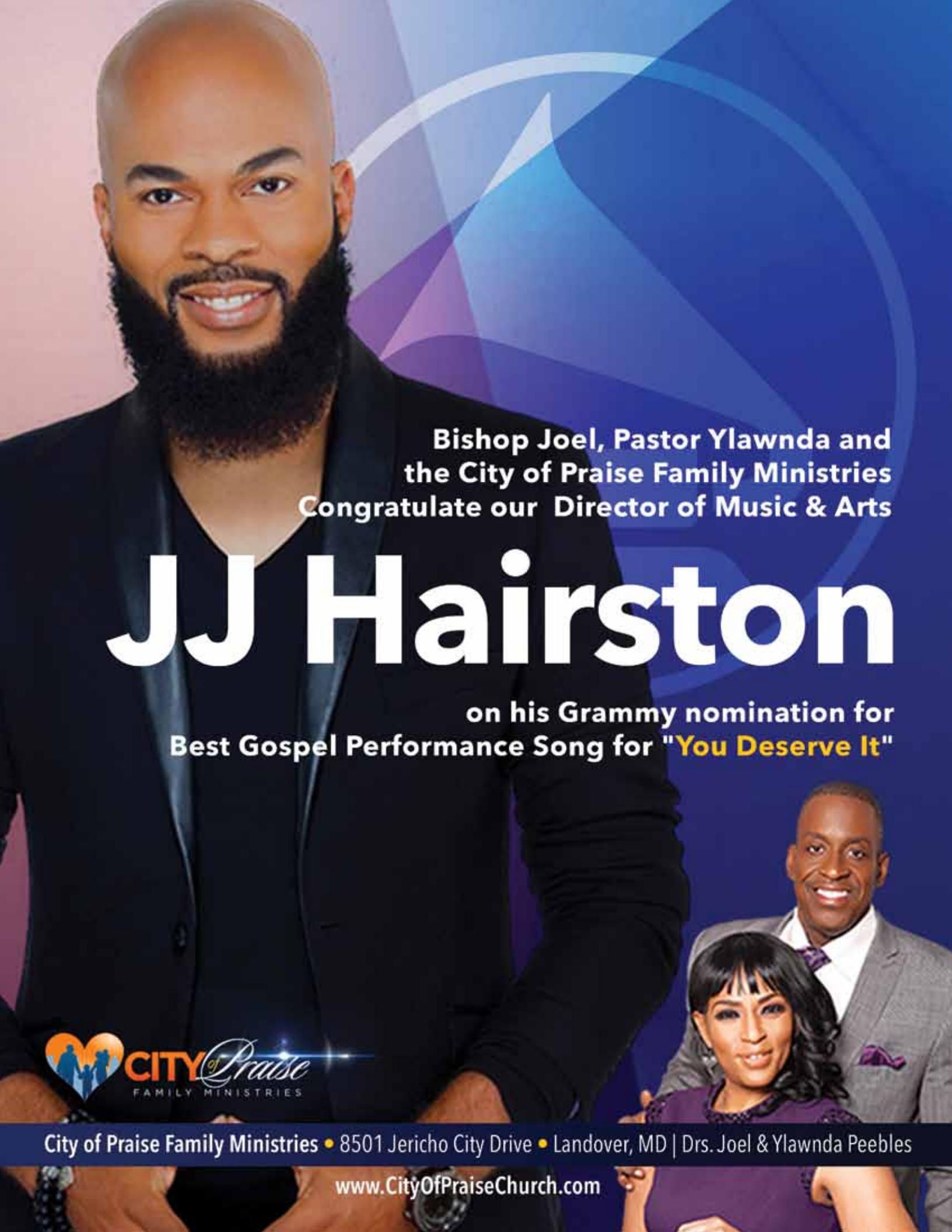
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