Kennesaw State University School of Music

Gospel Choir

Oral Moses, director
Chuck Lyons, piano

CALVIN BERNARD RHONE
Oh Come Let Us Sing Unto The Lord

BYRON CAGE
It Is To You
Julian Nole, tenor

Glory To Your Name

RICHARD SMALLWOOD
Come Before His Presence
Chanqueria Grimes, soprano

VASHAWN MITCHELL
The Blood
Intermission

JERAL GRAY
He Keeps On Making Away

RICHARD SMALLWOOD
Total Praise

WALTER HAWKINS
Thank You

DONALD LAWRENCE
You Are An Heir

arr. GLENN BURLEIGH
Jesus Is A Rock
gospel choir personnel

SOPRANOS
Tori Antem
Emma Bryant
Brittany Griffith
Chanqueria Grimes
Rosie-Lauren Hind
Valrika Leandre
Tyjah McLaren
Taylor McClendon
Jessica Morris
Maiah Morris
Kim Royer
Jennell Smith
Betty Warzi
DeeDee West

ALTOS
Naarah Callender
Kelley Delchamps
Tara Dougherty
Jourdan Hunter
Skylar Jackson
Azhane’ Kennedy
Ty Kimbro
Crystal Maldonado
Destinee McCall
Destin Thomas
Tamera Tillman
Jessica Vega
Jessica Stewart

TENORS
Queenester Covington
Ashley Hamilton
Natalie Harris
Molly Howell
Erinn Johnson
Julian Nole
Aimee Ouellet
Jason Raphael
Travis St. Dic
Kathlyn Steadman
Antwan Ward
Daniel Wright

BARITONE / BASS
Dorian P. Harris
Branden Bonner
Phillip J. Staples
Malcom Hornes

MUSICIANS
Rev. Chuck Lyons,
staff accompanist
Benjamin Tomlinson, piano
Cory Mason, drums
Ervin Touchstone, bass
Oral Moses, bass-baritone performs regularly throughout the United States and Europe singing Oratorio and recitals with special emphasis on a wide variety of Negro Spirituals and Art Song repertoire by African-American composers.

He has had numerous successes in Oratorio and Opera performing major roles in Le Nozze di Figaro, Regina, La Bohème, Albert Herring, Tremonisha, Rigoletto, and Die Zauberflöte among many others. Symphonic engagements have included works with the Nashville Symphony, the Jackson Symphony, Detroit Symphony, Lansing Symphony, Tacoma Symphony and the Atlanta Symphony.

His latest CD is entitled, *Come Down Angels and Trouble The Water*. This CD is a collection of Spirituals celebrating the Negro Spiritual as a national treasure.

Born in South Carolina, he began his singing career as a member of the United States Seventh Army Soldiers Chorus in Heidelberg, Germany, and as a member of the famed Fisk Jubilee singers while attending Fisk University following his military career. As a T. J. Watson Fellow, he studied in Germany and Austria and upon his return to the United States, he earned a Masters of Music and a Doctorate of Musical Arts Degree in Vocal Performance and Opera from the University of Michigan. In 1986, as a recipient of a National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, he co-authored a book entitled, *Feel The Spirit - Studies in Nineteenth Century Afro-American Music*, published by Greenwood Press. He is a contributing author in both the third edition of *Notable Black American Women*, and the second edition of *Notable Black American Men*, published by Gale Press. He is a frequent guest lecturer and clinician for Gospel and Spiritual music workshops and conferences.

Still a very active and exciting performer, Dr. Moses is a retired Professor Emeritus of Kennesaw State University.
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Stephen W. Plate, DMA
Director, School of Music
Kennesaw State University

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