

STGMA *"news you can use"* GOSPEL NOTES



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SPONSORS...

STGMA presents what we feel to be the finest Southern Gospel music in Texas or anywhere else. There is no fee or charge for this ministry. We're thankful for holding to this commitment even as the Word of God states "freely given, freely give". We are humbly asking for your support in the spreading of God's word through music and song that all may come to know Jesus. We cordially invite businesses, both large and small, and individuals as well to prayerfully consider a monthly sponsorship of STGMA. There are two levels of sponsorship.

Gold Sponsorship: For your sponsorship of \$50.00 or more per month, we will advertise the name of your business or individual's name on our website at www.stgma.org, in our newsletter and you will be granted admission to our Annual Convention and Banquet each year.

Silver Sponsorship: For your sponsorship of \$25.00 or more up to \$50.00 per month, you will receive our newsletter and have your name listed on our website.

As we are a not-for-profit 501(C)(3) Christian organization, your sponsorship will be tax deductible. At the end of the year, you will be given a tax statement listing your sponsorship contributions.

Thank you for helping us share the gospel. We appreciate our friends, family, fans and supporters!



**We appreciate your support
of STGMA's efforts to
share the gospel!**

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STGMA founded 1999 by
Billy & Janet Miller



From the **President's Desk**

Greetings,

I hope this finds you well. I mentioned in the last newsletter that I had no plan to make changes to the organization but rather to enhance those things already in place. Through careful thought and prayer, I can tell you that I don't believe we should change what we do. We serve God. There does however need to be a shift in the way we do it. As a child of God and one with a calling on our life to minister through music, we're each accountable to God for the souls He places before us in a concert or church service. During the last several years, the organization has experienced a variety of upheavals. At some point there was a disappearance of accountability. What does that mean?

The mission statement of STGMA says that we will "spread the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through music and song." The key words here are not music and song...but the Gospel. It's a tremendous responsibility we cannot take lightly. You can go anywhere and find music. By joining STGMA, we each agree to commit to the responsibility of sharing the Gospel...the mercy, grace, love and plan of salvation through Jesus Christ...each and every time we step foot on a platform representing STGMA and Christ to a lost and dying world. No more can we treat the platform as a performance stage; the microphone as a tool to help us shine in front of a crowd; or the message in our music as just another song we have memorized to play and/or sing. We owe Christ more than that. We owe Christ our reverence, our undivided attention during a concert/service and our unwavering commitment to give Him the glory and honor in all we say and do. Folks have to make their own choice to receive it, but realize that we hold someone's opportunity for salvation in our hands each time we play and/or sing. That all sounds so serious, right?

It is. Yet I'll be the first to say that no one loves to have fun more than I do. My wife tells me all the time that I missed a great opportunity to be a stand-up comedian! However, it's not about taking away fun from our events. It's about sharing with folks just where the Lord has brought you from. It's about showing forth God's grace—His unmerited favor; the joy of serving Him and being thankful that one day at an old-fashioned altar...mercy walked in. I am humbled that He chose an Alabama country boy like me to be a vessel He will use to help and encourage someone along the way.

Over the next couple of months, the Leadership Team will be focusing HOW we do what we do based on a complete return to following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We'll be seeking God as to how we can best serve Him individually and as an organization. Will you commit to join us in praying? Will you ask God to open doors of opportunity for STGMA? Will you pray about what you can do in your ministry to ensure it is focused on Him? Will you join us in allowing God to usher in a revival in our hearts that we can then take forth wherever we are called to minister?

My wife and I are praying for you, friends! God doesn't play and it's time we all get to work steadfastly in the fields while there's still time. Until next time...

Floyd

2015 STGMA GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT

Sat Sep 26 STGMA presents An Evening of Texas Gospel Music

First Baptist Church of Schertz - 600 Aero Ave. Schertz, TX 78154 @ 6 PM

Featuring **HARMONY QUARTET** of Dallas - **BLUE CREEK** of La Vernia
WESTERN SONRISE of Blanco - Free Admission - Love Offering.

For more information, contact Fay Gassner at 830.217.4290

Sat Oct 24 STGMA Gaither-Style Fall Jamboree

First Baptist Church of Lytle - 921 N. Prairie St. Lytle, TX 78052 @ 1-5 PM

Featuring **GENE & LAVADA** of Blanco - **MEGAN COX** of Luling
FAY GASSNER of Stockdale - **CAREY HEADRICK** of Top Hand Ministries of Bertram
BILLY MILLER of San Antonio - **JENNA OAKLEY** of Floresville - **HIS WORD**
of Natalia - Free Admission - Love Offering. For more information, contact
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Sat Nov 28 STGMA presents An Evening of Texas Gospel Music

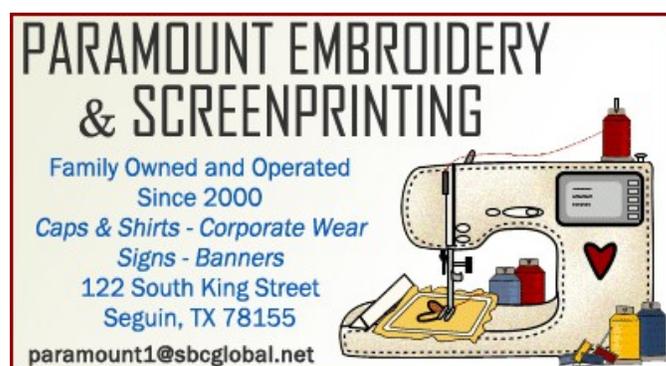
Live Oak First Baptist Church - 11560 Toepperwein Rd. Live Oak, TX 78233 @ 6 PM

Featuring **CLIFTON JANSKY** of San Antonio - **CAREY HEADRICK** of Top Hand
Ministries of Bertram - **BILLY MILLER** of San Antonio - Free Admission -
Love Offering. For more information, contact Fay Gassner at 830.217.4290

Sat Dec 5 STGMA presents An Evening of Texas Gospel Music

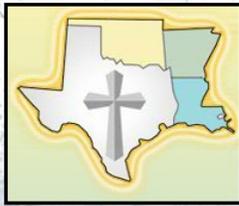
Kirby Baptist Church - 5114 Old Seguin Rd., Kirby, TX 78219 @ 6 PM

Featuring **JACOB AUSTIN BAND** of Anderson - **JOYCE EMILY** of La Vernia
MEGAN COX of Luling - Free Admission - Love Offering. For more information,
contact Fay Gassner at 830.217.4290



MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Join many of our STGMA Members at the 2015 **Wimberley Gospel Music Festival** at the Hill Country Cowboy Church
(120 Green Acres Dr. in Wimberley, TX) on **October 9-11!!**



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South Texas Gospel Music Association

presents
An Evening of Southern Gospel Music



Harmony Quartet

Saturday, September 26
6 - 8 pm

**First Baptist Church
of Schertz**

**600 Aero Ave
Schertz, TX 78154**



Western Sunrise



Blue Creek

Free Admission - Love Offering
For more information,
contact Fay Gassner at 830.217.4290



SOUTHWEST FESTIVAL *of* GOSPEL MUSIC

presented by:

Miller Gospel Music Promotions



Appointed By Grace

**Saturday, October 3
2 PM**

**Helotes Independent
Baptist Church**

**15335 Orange Tower
Helotes, Texas 78023**



The Jubil-Heirs



Hearts of Grace

Admission: Adults \$8.50 in advance

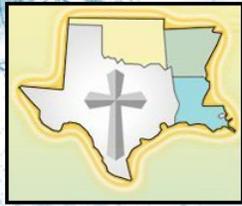
\$10.00 at the door

Call 210-857-8899 or 210-695-2321 for advance tickets

Children admitted free

Food and refreshments will be available





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Gaither-Style Fall Jamboree

Saturday, Oct. 24 • 1 - 5 pm

First Baptist Church of Lytle

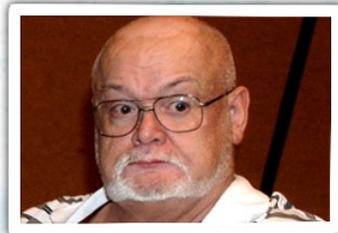
921 N. Prairie St. - Lytle, TX 78052



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Jenna Oakley



His Word



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PLANNING AND PREPARATION FOR 2016

It's that time again!

It's time to contact churches, book dates and fill calendars with events for next year. STGMA has some wonderful churches whose Pastors graciously open their doors to us for our events. However, we need more! Please help us by telling others about our association and the wonderful community outreach opportunities available

by sharing the gospel in song!

If you have any church contact info, suggestions, and/or other ideas, the Board and Officers meet every second Tuesday of the month. If you would like to visit a meeting and present your thoughts and ideas, please email: board@stgma.org or call any member of the Leadership Team to verify date and location of the meeting. We would love to hear from you!



Ministry Moments...

As discussed during the General Meeting at the 2015 Spring Convention, we are starting this new section of the newsletter and would love to hear about how God is using your ministry to touch the hearts and lives of folks. Sharing those precious moments in ministry of someone God has blessed, healed or encouraged to press on through the storm brings glory and honor to the Lord, the very One we serve.

We will use as many as we can fit...so email your **brief** "Ministry Moment" to webmaster@stgma.org.

Floyd



Hi, friends! I'm honored to be on the Leadership Team for STGMA as the Webmaster. There's no greater joy found in this life than serving the Savior. The world is changing and crumbling around us but I'm thankful that God's providential hand is always upon us.

I'm working steadily on the Facebook page and updating the existing website so let me know when you have any changes regarding your ministry/contact info, etc. I'm happy to report that our STGMA Facebook post about joining the organization was viewed by almost 1,300 people in 7 days time! We gained 40 new "likes" to our page and 3 of you shared the post which helped us reach even more! Forward our newsletters to your church and any other folks who may be interested in becoming a Member, a Host Church or Supporter of Gospel Music! Looking forward to great things to share on the website and Facebook!

Blessings...
Christine Scott



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www.stgma.org