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## Minister Haith L. Johnson

Haith L. Johnson's personal experiences have given her profound compassion for others. It is hard to believe that at one time, she was obese, homeless and considered an "at risk" youth failing high school. Haith's achievements after graduating from high school was becoming one of the most sought out beauticians, stylist & make-up experts across the country. She has been acknowledged in a nation-wide television commercial highlighting her 150-weight lost. Having over 30 years of experience in the beauty industry, she had the privilege to express her creativity on such artist as Erica Campbell, Yolanda Adams, Cee CeeWinans, Shirley Cesar and many other high profile celebrities. Her work has enhanced the front cover of national magazines, movies, billboards, television & award shows, music videos, and other media streams. She and her husband of 21 years, Henry Johnson, are the owners of Le'Host the Hair Company. Where they have developed and marketed their own hair care product and hair extension line. She now speaks in beauty schools (such as Paul Mitchell "The School"), prisons and high schools.



Haith is also dedicated to community service, by partnering with the American Cancer Society as a designated wig bank distributing free wigs for cancer survivors. After many years of perfecting beauty on the outside of women, she has been compelled to help women perfect beauty on the inside and experience inner healing. After completion of her bachelor's degree in Pastoral Counseling, she now is an instructor at the Destiny School of Ministry in the Christian counseling program. She has devoted her life and time to ministry.

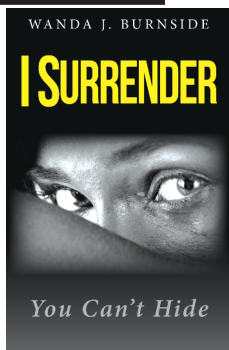
She is the Founder and Executive Director of Love That Works, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides Life Enrichment Programs for youth detention centers, where she facilitate a program she developed called "Pretty Powerful" created to empower, restore, and inspiring young ladies rescued from human trafficking teaching them how to restore their dignity and self respect. She conducts workshops and lectures around the country, and inspires all who listen in believe "You can accomplish whatever purpose God has created you for!" Haith believes the reason for her success is, "Someone took the time to show me LOVE!"

## Playwright Wanda J. Burnside

Wanda J. Burnside is a publisher, playwright, an award-winning poet and writer. Since 1970, she has received more than 25 national and local honors in writing. At the age of 20, while a student at the University of Detroit, she received her first poetry award from Broadside Press. In 1999, she received both "The Writer of the Year Award" and "The Persistence Writer of the Year Award" from the American Christian Writers Association.

In 1995, Wanda and her husband, Simmie Lee Burnside, Jr., founded "Write the Vision Ministries and Media Productions Int'l." It is a ministry for the broken, hurting, troubled, abandoned and those with exceptional needs. They also provide services and items for children, teens and young adults. For over 20 years, Wanda has established six active ministries: *Matchless Love*, *Lord Bless the Children*, *Precious Princess*, *I Am Precious*, *Men of Valor*, and *Bibles for Girls*. They were founded to build self-esteem, teach godly character development and to promote empowerment principles.

She has written 15 books. Her book, *DON'T MESS WITH ME! Who Do You Think You Are?* has reached great acclaim. Wanda's next two books are *Mistake Love...NO MORE!* and *I Surrender*. She has written nearly 1000 poems, 22 performed plays for children, five drama productions for adults, poetic video productions, inspirational cards, motivational posters and ten gospel tracts. More than 8,000 of her gospel tracts have been distributed across the United States, Canada, Honduras, London, Italy, and Africa (Zambia and Kenya).



In 2008, she founded *THE LAMP newsletter*. It has expanded worldwide with the addition of two ministry leaders and writers: Minister Sandra Hickman in Australia and Poet Christine V. Mitchell in the UK.

Wanda is a contributing poet and writer in: *SISTAH FAITH: Real Stories of Pain, Truth, and Triumph*, *Too Soon to Say Goodbye* and *Wounded by Words true painful stories, FAITH: Use It . . . or Lose It!* and numerous other books.

She is the president and an editor in "The Called and Ready Writers," founded by Minister Mary D. Edwards. In 2012, "Treasures from Heaven Ministries" was founded and united her with Author Ramelle T. Lee of *Touching Your Heart Ministries*.

In 1972, Wanda graduated from the University of Detroit with a B.S. in Humanities/Early Education. She has taught in public and private schools in Detroit. She is a tutor for students on all levels of education. Wanda is certified in Christian ministries from Detroit Bible College and William Tyndale Bible College. She is a founding student at Charles Harrison Mason COGIC Bible College in Detroit, MI.

Wanda has faithfully served her church, Greater Miller Memorial Church of God in Christ and The Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Southwest Michigan in many areas of ministry and leadership. She has received many national distinguished awards for church and community services. Her bishop and pastor was the late Bishop Earl J. Wright, Sr.

Wanda is a masterful award-winning cook. Her recipes have won prestigious awards from national companies.

In 1972, Wanda married Mr. Simmie Lee Burnside, Jr. They live in Detroit, MI.

## Author Ramelle T. Lee

Ramelle T. Lee is a poet, author, speaker, businesswoman and a staff writer for the Lamp Newsletter. In 2006, she founded, *Touching Your Heart Ministries*. She is the author of, *STEP into HIS GREATNESS*. She has sold over 1,000 copies of her book, which is now revised and in paperback edition. It is featured in the African American Literature Collection at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan and worldwide. Ramelle has published more than forty poems and numerous inspirational writings. She has ministered to people with more than 7,000 copies of her poems and nearly 600 of her framed poetry creations.

Author Lee's exclusive writing collection is in the White House in Washington, D.C. In February 2009, her book and other inspirational items were officially accepted to honor the Presidential Inauguration of Barack Obama, the 44th president of the USA. She also honored the First Lady and their family with a special inspirational collection.

In 2010, Author Lee debut her, "Believer's Marriage Restoration Prayer Packet." She presented it in a sacred Renewal of Vows Ceremony with twelve married couples at Mt. Zion New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit, MI.

Author Lee is a business owner and manager of Keepsake Bouquets and six gift basket ministries: the Red and Gold Heart Basket, the Purple Royalty Basket, the David's Armor Basket, the God's Garden Basket, the Harvest Time Basket, and the Jesus is My Best Friend Basket. Each basket has unique gifts for men, women and children. Also in 2012, "Treasures from Heaven Ministries" was founded and united her with Wanda J. Burnside of



Write the Vision Ministries and Media Productions, International. Burnside's and Lee's ministry products, gifts, and inspirational work are a major business.

Author Lee has expanded her ministry outreach to a YouTube ministry of inspirational video poetic productions. Her articles, messages, and poems have been published in books, magazines, and online. She supports numerous outreach ministries, churches, organizations, and agencies to help the homeless, hurting, and needy by ministering with her gift items and poetry products. Coming in 2016-17 are three new books.

Author Lee is a lifetime member of The Called and Ready Writers. She is an Administrative Assistant and the Membership Chairman. In 2015, she was inducted into the Legendary Author Group. She is the 2015 Writer of

the Year and honored as a Golden Member. Author Lee's second book, "The Main Keys to Becoming a Committed Christian Writer" was featured in 2014 at The Called and Ready Writers Book Camp.

In 1970, she graduated from Highland Park Community College with an Associates Degree in Secretarial Science. She also is certified in Health Information Management as a Registered Health Information Technician from the American Medical Records Association. She is a dedicated member of Greater Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Southwest Detroit, Michigan. Reverend Dr. Randolph Thomas is her pastor. Author Lee was employed at Henry Ford Health System for 31 years. She worked in the Health Information Management Dept. in Detroit, Michigan.

## Entrepreneur Alison Vaughn

Alison Vaughn outstanding entrepreneur, author, advocate, speaker, Goldmann Sachs Scholar-Making a difference, changing lives.

Alison Vaughn is a Detroit native, founder and CEO of Jackets for Jobs, Inc a non-profit which has provided employment etiquette, career skills training and professional attire to over 18,000 job seekers since 2000. Jackets for Jobs is based in Detroit however, in 2013 Alison opened an office in Botswana (Africa).

Alison is one of Martha Stewart's "Dreamers into Doers" a group of entrepreneurs who turned their dreams into reality. Alison was the 2011 co-chair of the 56th annual Detroit NAACP Fight for Freedom Dinner. She has received many prestigious awards throughout the years including the Michigan Chronicle "Woman of Excellence". She is a member of Distinguished Women in International Service, Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, and Top Ladies of Distinction.

Ms. Vaughn is a much sought after speaker both nationally and international-

ly. In 2014 she had the distinct honor of being selected to be a keynote speaker at the World Islamic Economic Forum in Dubai, UAE where she inspired the audience on the theme "the Rise of Women Entrepreneurs." Vaughn was the only woman chosen from the Midwest to represent the United States.

Alison is a graduate of Michigan State University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree and a graduate of the Women's Campaign School at Yale University sponsored by Yale Law School. She is also a devoted mother and a member of Word of Faith International Christian Center.

Jackets for Jobs has been supported and applauded by ABC's "The View", NBC's Today Show", the cast from "The Apprentice, season one, two and three and Oprah's O Magazine. The highlight of her career was the distinct honor of ringing the closing bell on NASDAQ in 2006 and 2014.

Alison's motto, "What you do for others, God will do for you."

