

# Welcome to the 12th Annual

# Do Re Mi

## Gospel Music Academy, Inc.

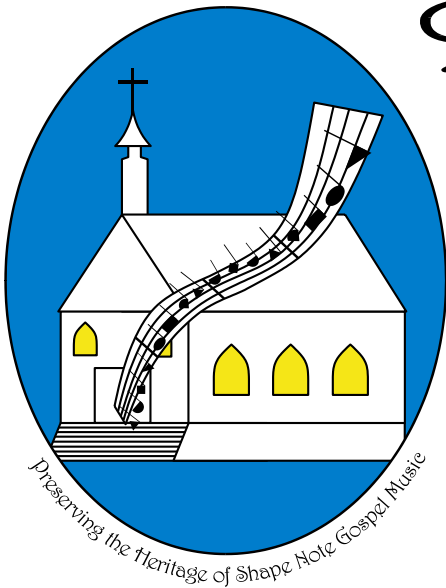
### Emphasizing Church Music

On the campus of the  
*Beautiful Do Re Mi River Retreat*  
at 275 Cedar Bluff Road, Hartsville, TN 37074

## June 9-15, 2013

Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc.

A non-profit corporation dedicated to shape note gospel music education,  
promotion and preservation.



## Do Re Mi Welcomes Wilburn & Wilburn

*Wilburn & Wilburn has been blessed  
to receive the 2012 Singing News  
Horizon Group of the Year and  
Jordan Wilburn the  
2012 Horizon Individual Award winner.*



*Jonathan & Jordan will be teaching song performance and interpretation at this years session.*

Do Re Mi

Gospel Music Academy, Inc.  
Presents

# 2nd Annual "Let Us Sing!"

A Weekend Of Shape Note Convention Music

## April 19 & 20, 2013

Do Re Mi River Retreat • 275 Cedar Bluff Road, Hartsville, TN

**Youth Night Activities on Friday, April 19**

**Shape Note Seminar Saturday morning April 20, and convention singing in the afternoon**

Plan Now To Attend

Presenters

Charles Towler  
Tracey Phillips, Private Piano

Dr. Stephen Shearon  
Derek Meler, Private Voice

Bob Bradley  
Tess Milby, Children's Choir

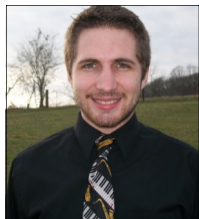
**Trousdale County Singing Convention will return to the  
Trousdale County Courthouse at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 20, 2013  
Stay in touch at [www.doremigospelmusicacademy.com](http://www.doremigospelmusicacademy.com)**

KEY DILLARD, DIRECTOR  
721 RUCKER LANE  
MURFREESBORO, TN 37128

## 2013 Do Re Mi Faculty



**Key Dillard, Director:** Born to singing parents, Key has been involved in gospel music all his life. A graduate of Cumberland University, (A.A.), and Middle Tennessee State University, (B.A., M.Ed.), he is a former teacher, football and basketball coach and Superintendent. He has organized and directed Church mission trips to teach shape note music in Trinidad, Jamaica and Alaska. He has taught numerous shape note singing schools in Tennessee, Kentucky and Georgia. He has recorded with The Do Re Mi Singers, The Melody Makers Quartet, The Murphytown Singers and The Cumberland Valley Quartet. He currently serves his church as Director of Music. He has founded two music schools, including The Cumberland Valley School of Gospel Music, Inc. and The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc. He is married to Shirley, and they have two sons and four grandchildren.



**Canaan Bowman:** Attending The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc. for six years, Canaan gained an inspiration to further his interest in music. He will graduate from Tennessee Tech University in 2013, with a degree in music education. He has studied under internationally acclaimed saxophone virtuoso Phil Barham, and he plays piano in Tech's Swing Street Big Band. He is married to Paige, and they have one son. By returning to teach at the Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, he hopes to give back and be an inspiration to other students.



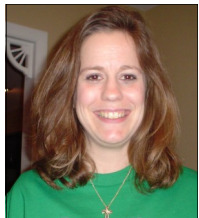
**Robert Bradley:** Serving on the faculty of The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy since 2005, Bob has been involved in gospel music all his life. He received his first musical education at a gospel music singing school, and went on to receive a bachelor's degree in music at East Tennessee State University and a master's degree in vocal performance at The University of Southern Mississippi. Since 2009, he has served as Director of Worship at Gardendale-Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church in Gardendale, Alabama. Prior to that, he served congregations in Mississippi and Tennessee. Additionally, he serves as the principal for the Leoma School of Gospel Music and has previously taught at Gospel Singers of America and Tusculum College. He is an active songwriter, with music published by the Cumberland Valley, Leoma, Gospel Heritage, and Jeffress/Phillips Music companies. He is married to Jessica, and they have one daughter.



**Jessica Bradley:** Growing up in a singing family, a love for music (especially southern gospel) was engendered from the beginning. As a teenager, she spent weekends and summers traveling and singing with her family's quartet, "Grace." She first came to The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc. as a student, and is honored to return this year as a teacher to pay forward the blessings she has received. She is married to Bob, and they have one daughter.



**Kris Dillard:** Born into a singing family, Kris has been attending singing schools since before he could walk. He has been with The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc since its founding, and is Vice President & Treasurer. He has taught singing schools at local churches in Middle Tennessee and traveled with a shape note music faculty teaching foreign mission music schools in Trinidad, Jamaica and Alaska. He graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a bachelor's degree in business and is currently a Certified Dental Technician (CDT) with a local dental lab. He is married to Heather.



**Dr. Heather Dillard:** Teaching at Do Re Mi since its inception, Heather has also taught in singing schools at local churches in the Middle Tennessee area. She traveled and taught with a shape note music faculty doing foreign mission music schools in Trinidad, Jamaica and Alaska. She holds three degrees from Middle Tennessee State University in education, as well as a doctorate in education from Tennessee State University. She has been a public school teacher and Sunday School teacher at her church. Currently, she is an assistant professor at Middle Tennessee State University. She is married to Kris.



**Seth Gregory:** Currently a junior pursuing his bachelor's degree for vocal/general music education at Middle Tennessee State University, Seth grew up in a musical home. He has served as President for The National Association for Music Educators (MTSU chapter), and has sung in the MTSU Concert Chorale, Schola Cantorum, and the MTSU Singers. He has played piano for The Stamps Quartet, The Blackwood Quartet, The Wilburns, and many other gospel groups. He serves his church as accompanist, and assists with the Do Re Mi Singers. Having been a student of The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, he has returned to serve on the faculty and also teaches in several other summer singing schools.



**Jimmy Jeffress:** Teaching in his second year at The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Jimmy is a former Arkansas State Senator and a former State Representative. He grew up in a gospel-singing family near Crossett, AR, and is a 1971 graduate of the University of Arkansas at Monticello. He has a master's degree in music education from the University of Louisiana. Jimmy has served as a high school teacher and choral director for 28 years. He is a well published songwriter and son of the late Nolin Jeffress, founder of the Jeffress/Phillips Music Co. He has served on the faculty of the Jeffress/Phillips School of Music for 40 years. He is married to Candace.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN:** Sunday, June 9, 2013 from 2:00 —4:00 P.M. at the Do Re Mi River Retreat, 275 Cedar Bluff Road, Hartsville, Tennessee. The Do Re Mi River Retreat is located just off Hwy. 141 South out of Hartsville at the sharp Elbow turn in Hwy. 141. Signs will be posted at the entrance. Parents are invited to remain for the Sunday night session.

**COURSES OF STUDY:** The Academy is devoted to improving and strengthening church music. Classes are provided for youth and adults. Special attention is provided to each age group. Whether a Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced student, classes are designed to encourage the student through participative teaching methods. A special class for ages up to 8 years of age, "The Songbirds Class" gives our youth an opportunity not found in many music programs. Youth and Adults are provided an opportunity to study Music Theory, Sight Reading, Ear Training, Harmony, Presentation Training, Group Training, Tonality Training, Song Directing, Sectionals, Group Voice, Church Singing, etc. Each day begins with a Devotional (so bring your Bible). Private lessons are offered in Voice, Piano, Guitar, Banjo, Violin, Bass Fiddle.

**ACTIVITIES:** Students will have a fun-filled week of music education, singing activities, fellowship, and recreation. Bring your band instrument as well as your acoustic instrument for learning and fun activities during the week. Special singing groups will be formed by Academy students. You are encouraged to join in with The Do Re Mi Singers, who perform regularly at the Uncle Dave Macon Days Festival in Murfreesboro in July. The Do Re Mi Singers practice regularly and travel to various functions to represent the Academy throughout the year. A highlight of Academy week is "**Singing On The Courthouse Steps**" of the Trousdale County Courthouse! A professional song performance and interpretation training will be offered to selected students as well as a special concert by Wilburn & Wilburn, father and son, Jonathan and Jordan!

**S.T.A.R.T. Program:** The Student Teacher Assistance in Rudiment Training program is designed to train advanced students to teach Shape note music schools. How to organize and administer a Shape note singing school as well learning the history of our Shape note music movement through the years is integrated in this program. Included also are methods, materials, and on site practical training experience. Students who have completed this program are now assisting with Academy classes. Advanced students should apply for the S. T. A. R. T. program. Contact Key Dillard Director for more information.

<b>CLOTHING: Walking shorts, jeans, casual shirts, T-shirts, tennis shoes, sandals, crocs, etc. are appropriate for all daily activities.</b>	<b>For Girls: NO short-shorts, no bare midriff tops, no spaghetti-strap tops. For Boys: NO Tank Tops</b>	<b>Bring Church Dress Clothes for Saturday Afternoon, 2PM Closing Singing. If swimming at recreation bring swimsuit, towel &amp; \$5 per trip fee.</b>
<b>Bible</b>	<b>Toiletries / Soap / Shampoo, etc.</b>	<b>Hair Dryer</b>
<b>Twin Bed Top &amp; Bottom Sheet</b>	<b>Shower Shoes / Flip-Flops, etc.</b>	<b>Softball Glove</b>
<b>Blanket - Pillow - Pillow Case</b>	<b>Towels &amp; Bath Cloths / 6 Days</b>	<b>Swimsuit, Towel / \$5 per trip fee</b>
<b>Pajamas &amp; Robe</b>	<b>Acoustical Instruments</b>	<b>Be Sure to Bring Your Own</b>
<b>Back Pack or Tote Bag for Books &amp; School Materials</b>	<b>Band Instruments for Band Students</b>	<b>Shaving Cream for Thursday's Shaving Cream Fight on the Lawn</b>

### DORMITORY INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

All dorm residents must be registered students, attend class and participate in academy functions. You must be at least 8 years of age and able to perform daily living functions on your own (shower, dress, comb hair, brush teeth, etc.) to be a dorm resident. Students may choose a room mate in their age group, however room mates are assigned by age according to space availability. The Academy will make final assignments.

<b>STUDENT AGES</b>	<b>MUST BE IN ROOM BY</b>	<b>LIGHTS OUT BY</b>
<b>8 to 12</b>	<b>10:00 p.m.</b>	<b>10:30 p.m.</b>
<b>13 and over</b>	<b>10:30 p.m.</b>	<b>11:00 p.m.</b>

**CONDUCT:** All students should use conduct that is appropriate for Church events. Conduct should be exemplary before God. Parents will be notified if conduct is inappropriate and rules are not observed.

**LANYARDS:** Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy requires identification while on campus. Lanyards must be worn fully visible around neck at all times when outside room. **Lanyards can not be swapped among students!** The academy provides lanyards at registration.

**FUN** Shaving cream fight will be held on Thursday afternoon weather permitting.

**SATURDAY CHECKOUT:** All students must clean their room prior to check-out. Rooms must be cleaned & vacated Saturday, no later than 12 p.m. Checkout will be coordinated by the dorm staff.

**CLOSING SINGING PERFORMANCE:** All students will be expected to participate in the closing singing performance Saturday, June 15, 2013 at 2:00 P.M. "Doing Our Best For God" will be our theme, and the Annual Memorial Trophy will be presented. Family and friends will want to attend and enjoy this special event of the Do Re Mi Academy. Come Early To Get A Seat! Church dress is expected.

Visit our Web site at [www.doremigospelmusicacademy.com](http://www.doremigospelmusicacademy.com) for information about the Academy building program, singings, student achievements, pictures and other items of interest.

# Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy 2012



*Come Join Us In 2013*

## RENT THE RETREAT

The Do Re Mi  
**River Retreat**

275 CEDAR BLUFF ROAD • HARTSVILLE, TENNESSEE 37074

**Churches • Schools • Boy & Girl Scouts • Civic Clubs • Weddings**

**Family Reunions • Businesses • RV Sites and MORE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

**BARRY WITCHER 615-666-5837**

**KEY DILLARD 615-890-0288**

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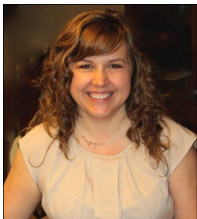
**Shawn Pody:** Singing gospel music with The Pody Family and attending numerous shape note gospel music schools, Shawn grew up in Ruston, Louisiana. He earned a business degree from LA Tech University and moved to Tennessee in 1991. He has performed with numerous Christian and country acts as a musician, and has continually been involved in leading worship for a number of local churches. At his studio, **The Podyum**, Shawn is actively producing recording projects, including many award winning gospel and country albums for other artists. He recorded the latest CD project for The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy. He is married to Kelly, and they have four children.

Teaching  
A  
Singing  
School

**Amy Steakley:** From a childhood influenced by her parents, Amy developed a deep love for gospel music by singing in church and attending all day singing conventions and music schools. This early love of music led her to pursue higher degrees of music education and to become a teacher. A graduate of Athens State University (B.S.) and with a master of arts and an educational specialist degree from Tennessee Tech University, Amy has many years experience as a Franklin County school system teacher. A recipient of the Penn Foundation Scholarship, she has served as a general music teacher and has directed the Franklin County show choir with such notable presentations as Oklahoma, Fiddler On The Roof, Oliver Twist and others. She has served her church as Youth Director, Pianist, and Choir Director. Amy is married to Louis, and they have one child.



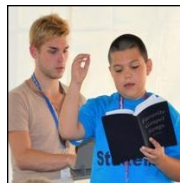
**Nancy Tucker:** Having been a student of gospel music most of her life, Nancy attended shape note singing classes at various churches in the Middle Tennessee area as a child. She became the pianist for her church at the age of 14. Over the years, she has worked with youth groups at her church and has taught piano. She has accompanied many quartets, trios and solo singers. She is a published songwriter, and has taught at The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy since 2005.



**Nicole Wasendorf:** Learning about southern gospel music over 35 years ago, Nicole has been continuously involved with this type music since her days as a student at the North Georgia School of Music in Cleveland, GA. She studied music at Perimeter College for two years and holds a bachelor of sociology degree from the University of Georgia. She has been a private piano instructor for over 20 years, the pianist at her church for 26 years and a classroom teacher at NGS GM for the past seven years. She shares her love of music working with the youth choir at her church. Nicole currently resides in Rutledge, GA, with her husband, Tommy and their four children.



**Jonathan & Jordan Wilburn:** Born to singing parents, shape note singing has been a part of Jonathan's life since he was born. He sums it up by saying, "God has used this music in my life in so many ways. God blessed me as a child to be part of singing schools held by Mr. Donnie Hines. In these schools, I learned fundamental attributes that helped me in my career in music. Most of all, this wonderful blessed music has helped me share Christ with others. His message is in this music and brings joy to those whose heart will lend an ear."



## Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc. REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Grade In School \_\_\_\_\_  
 County \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Name of your Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Name of your Pastor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mother's Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to enroll in Private Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Piano <input type="checkbox"/> Voice <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar <input type="checkbox"/> Violin <input type="checkbox"/> Banjo <input type="checkbox"/> Bass <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Circle T-Shirt Size <b>Child</b> <b>S</b> <b>M</b> <b>L</b> <b>Adult</b> <b>S</b> <b>M</b> <b>L</b> <b>XL</b> <b>2XL</b> <b>3XL</b>	I wish to enroll in class <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner Child <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	I wish to room with 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
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**NOTE: REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE.** ALL applicants must pay Registration Fee.  
**NOTE:** All Dorm residents MUST BE REGISTERED STUDENTS and ATTEND Academy classes and activities.  
**NOTE:** All "On Campus" Students **must be AGE 8 or above** and be able to attend to personal daily living functions.  
 Students UNDER age 8 may enroll in the Songbirds Class, with the day ending at noon. **Student must be picked up at noon.**

- Steps for Registering:
1. Place check mark beside program in which you wish to enroll. Enter dollar amount in "Fees Due" column.
  2. If taking Private or Group Lessons, mark lesson choice above and put amount in "fees due" column.
  3. Commuters only: Mark meal plan, if desired, and put amount in "fees Due" column.
  4. Mark swim permit. Sign, date and mail form and fees to address below.

Check Here	Program	Includes	Cost	Due
<b>X</b>	REGISTRATION	Must be paid by ALL Students	\$ 70	<b>NON-REFUNDABLE</b>
	ON CAMPUS      Must be age 8 or above	Lodging + Meals <small>Sunday Evening through Saturday Lunch</small>	\$355	Register \$ 70 Tuition \$285
	DAY COMMUTER	Day Classes Does Not Include Meals	\$215	Register \$ 70 Tuition \$145
	SONGBIRDS TO AGE 8 <small>Student Must be Picked Up At Noon</small>	Day Classes Does Not Include Meals	\$155	Amount includes Registration Fee
	NIGHT COMMUTER	Does Not Include Meals	\$ 95	Register \$ 70 Tuition \$ 25
	PRIVATE LESSONS	Five Lessons 30 Minutes Each	\$105	Student must be a Registered Student
	CHURCH PRACTICE	Five Lessons 30 Minutes Each	\$145	Amount includes Registration Fee
	SPECIAL CHURCH GROUP TRAINING	Five Lessons 30 Minutes Each	\$145	Amount includes Registration Fee
	MEAL PLAN—BREAKFAST	Monday through Saturday	\$ 40	
	MEAL PLAN—LUNCH	Monday through Saturday	\$ 40	
	MEAL PLAN—DINNER	Sunday through Friday	\$ 40	
	<b>Discount Available ONLY if PAID IN FULL BY MAY 15, 2013</b>			
	<b>DISCOUNT \$20.00 IF FEES ARE PAID IN FULL BY MAY 15, 2013</b>			

Mail Form & Fees to: **Key Dillard, Director**  
**721 Rucker Lane**  
**Murfreesboro, TN 37128-4621**

Amount DUE	
Amount PAID TODAY	
DUE at REGISTRATION	

My child \_\_\_\_\_ is on the following medications \_\_\_\_\_  
 I give consent for my child to be transported into Hartsville by Trousdale County Bus and Driver  Yes  No  
 I give consent for my child to be transported by Do Re Mi staff into Hartsville  Yes  No  
 I give consent for my child to swim  Yes  No  
 I hereby give my consent for medical treatment should accident or illness occur while on campus attending and/or participating in the activities of the Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc.

Parent Signature : \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## *Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc.*

In order to provide financial assistance to students who might otherwise be unable to attend the Academy, we have developed four scholarship options that an individual, family, business or church may wish to sponsor. You may designate the recipient or ask the Academy to allocate the scholarship. The Academy wishes to say **THANK YOU** for helping us keep shape note music alive!

### MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Financial gift of \$355 Full Tuition

Established in the name of the Deceased and provides full tuition for one student.

### HONOR SCHOLARSHIP

Financial gift of \$355 Full Tuition

Established in the name of a living Honoree and provides full tuition for one student.

### CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

Financial gift of \$355 Full Tuition

Established in the name of a Church and provides full tuition for one or more students.

### PATRON SCHOLARSHIP

Financial Gift of less than \$355

Patron Scholarships will be recognized in the name of the sponsor and provide funds to offset tuition costs of a student as financial needs dictate.

If you would like to sponsor a scholarship, please complete the following information and mail to:

Kris Dillard, Treasurer  
721 Rucker Lane  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128-4621

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Remitted \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Scholarship you are sponsoring:  Memorial  Church  
 Honor  Patron

Name of Memorial \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Honoree \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to designate scholarship recipient. Name

✂ \_\_\_\_\_

## DO RE MI GOSPEL MUSIC ACADEMY, INC., PLEDGE PROGRAM

The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc., Board of Directors has adopted a pledge program with pledge donations to be dedicated to the Building Program. Churches, individuals, families and businesses have partnered with the Academy with various financial donations. The Academy wishes to say **THANK YOU** for helping us keep shape note music alive!

The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc., is a 501-c, tax exempt, non-profit corporation. You are invited to join the Pledge Program and help us enter the next phase of construction that will include the Auditorium, Kitchen and Meeting Rooms. Gifts are tax exempt.

Please complete the form, and mail with your check to: Kris Dillard, Treasurer, 721 Rucker Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37128-4621

Please accept my gift for The Do Re Mi Gospel Music Academy, Inc., In the amount of:

\$20.00  \$50.00  \$75.00  \$100.00  \$250.00  \$500.00  Other \_\_\_\_\_

I will pledge my gift as:  Monthly  Quarterly  Annually  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_