## **Expressions from a Graduate**



The girl sitting at the piano wore all black. Her jet black and burgundy hair at the time matched the soft movement of the piano. Her hands moved quickly and majestically across the keys as her song came to a stop. Slowly and steadily, the girl turned and raised her body out of the seat and began to bow. As the crowd cheered, she took her seat and began contemplating on the past that brought her to this very spot she calls..... happiness.

For this girl, music has always been the root of her happiness whether it was simply sitting down at the piano and writing a tune or listening to the soft sounds coming from her mp3 player. Music has helped her open her eyes to a new world of determination, discipline, and

hope. With every practice came discipline. Discipline to finish that page, discipline to practice the song everyday and discipline to perform her two songs at the end of the year.

Before music, she was restless and angry, but after music, she became a more happy student in school and out of school. The question is, what will this girl do now her Jubilee Ringers days have come to an end? What will her purpose in life be?

My name is Autumn VanBrown and I aspire to be a musician/actress and because of Ms. Rachel; not only has she taught me to cultivate myself as a leader but she also inspired the passion in my life for music. — Graduate & Scholarship Recipient

Most of all she has been challenged to make Christ the focus of her life in all she does for, only he can bring true happiness and fulfillment.





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- Cultivating Young Leaders Through The Discipline of Music Training -

## Our Children Have An Urgent Need They Need A Home For Their Program We Found the Perfect Place



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## The Urgent Need



Jubilee Music Enrichment is a faith based, Christian, nonprofit 501 (c) 3 organization that seeks to cultivate young leaders thought the discipline of music training. The program serves children in the city of Camden, NJ. We welcome any child that comes through our doors. All programs are offered at no cost.

In April of this year the children were displaced from the building where they were holding their program for the past thirteen years. The program is now being held in a ga-

rage and barn. The barn has no heat and is limited in space so: the children need a new home of their own very soon. The children love their program so each day, in their prayer circle, they ask the Lord for a new building.

The good news is, a building has been found. We just need the funds to purchase it. It is in good condition and with a good cleaning the children could move right into their new home. The building is located in the a town square of a neighborhood that is well populated with many children who need to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is across from a park where children are always playing and looking for something to do.

This building can serve as a true place of spiritual refuge for our children. Camden City is noted for having one of the highest murder rates in the country and for being one of the poorest cities in the nation. The State of New Jersey reports Camden as a municipality having one of the highest number of substantiated child abuse cases. Twenty-three of Camden's twenty-six schools are on the list of the State's 75 worst performing schools. Despite these dire conditions, Jubilee Music Enrichment believes there is hope.

Jubilee Music Enrichment takes serious the scripture, "...behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation." *2 Corinthians 6:2*. The time to reach youth and families in Camden with the transforming gospel of Jesus Christ is now. The need in Camden is great. It is our true desire to labor for Christ with all that he has given us and will give us. This work belongs to the Lord. He is the one who parted the Red Sea so the children of Israel could cross over on dry land. He fed over five thousand people with five loaves and two fish and there

were leftovers. Likewise we believe the Lord can do what seems impossible for his work. The Lord can use his people to provide for this need.

King Solomon said, "where there is no vision the people perish." We have the vision of a Jubilee Community Enrichment Center sign hanging on the front of this building. We envision youth entering the doors and leaving as righteous, young leaders who can stand and minister in their community. Please join us in this vision. We ask that you embrace this ministry by praying that this vision will come to pass. Then, we ask that you seek the Lord on how you can take part of making this vision reality. Ninety thousand dollars is needed to secure this home for our children. The scriptures assure, nothing is too hard for God.

We are seeking people and organizations who would adopt this ministry and the youth who have great promise to be ministers who are equipped to stand as leaders who serve Christ.

Thank you for taking the time to listen and to consider our need.

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## Our Vision

Our vision is best visualized by a song of King David - Psalms 144: 12-14

That our sons may be as great plants in their youth;

That our daughters may be as corner columns carved in the likeness of a palace;

That our storehouses may be full overflowing with all kinds of goods upon goods;

That our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets;

That our leaders be strong bearers of burdens;

That there be no breaking in, nor going out into captivity;

That there be no crying in our streets;

Happy is that people, that is in such a case:

