

# Invitation to Sponsor Fourth Church's 16th Annual

## GOSPEL CONCERT

### August 14, 7:15pm

"Whatever your plans ...  
*don't miss the Annual Gospel Concert at the*  
Fourth Presbyterian Church." [South Boston Online](#)

A great evening of hand clapping and joyful singing is approaching. It's the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gospel Night at Fourth Presbyterian Church. It's also a key fund-raiser for Fourth Church and its community programs. Your support makes a big difference.

The performers will include the exuberant Fourth Church Singers, as well as guest choirs from Greater Boston. At key points, the various choirs will join forces, too. The music will be spectacular!

Funds received from this event support Fourth Church and its full array of community programs: Summer Meals Program & MazeMakers (110 youth a day for six weeks), a seniors club, youth mentoring, children's theater, tutoring, music and art lessons, a food pantry (now serving 300 families every two weeks), a youth organizing project and much more.

We'll take donations the night of the concert, but the biggest piece of the event's fund-raising is through ads for the evening's program book. Some ads are from businesses. Some are from individuals. Some are from members of the church. Some are from folks we have never met. They come from everywhere to make our neighborhood mission possible. We invite you to become a sponsor and make a difference. (Memorials are also welcome.)

Different ad sizes are available. Do what you can, and help us reach our goal of \$13,000. Send your information and donation to the church. If you have copy you would like in the program book, send it to [bstanfield@hds.harvard.edu](mailto:bstanfield@hds.harvard.edu) by August 10.

Thank you.

Pastor Burns Stanfield and the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church  
340 Dorchester Street, South Boston, MA 02127 (cell phone: 617-285-0039)

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**PLEASE LIST US AS A SPONSOR IN THE PROGRAM FOR THE "EVENING OF GOSPEL MUSIC" ON AUGUST 14.** (Note: Please include art work, company logo, etc., for the program.)

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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WE ENCLOSE A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION IN AN AMOUNT CHECKED BELOW:

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| \$50   | _____ | (Receive a sponsorship listing)  |
| \$75   | _____ | (Receive a quarter-page ad of your design)   |
| \$150  | _____ | (Receive a half-page ad of your design)  |
| \$300  | _____ | (Receive a full-page ad of your design)  |
| \$500  | _____ | (Enjoy a prominent back cover, inside front cover, program-facing page full-page ad)   |
| \$1000 | _____ | (Become an <b>Jubilee Sponsor!</b> Enjoy a prominent ad, display a banner at the event and help announce a vocal group if you choose!) |
| Other  | _____ |  |

# **A Sampling of What You Make Possible in the Community When You Support the Fourteenth Annual Evening of Gospel Music on August 14...**

The Summer Meals Program -- Now in its 16<sup>th</sup> year, it serves 100 plus children per day from the neighborhood with a free arts and values-based summer program.

Mazemakers -- The component of the summer program specifically designed for 9-13 year-olds. Mazemakers builds community and nurtures creativity.

The Fourth Church Music & Art Program -- music, art and theater lessons for 400-500 children every year.

Children's Theater Productions -- Well over 65 productions in the last 16 years. This year it was standing room only crowds for *Into the Woods*, *Music Man*, *Annie*, *Shrek* and the *Advanced Theater Revue*.

Tutoring -- Another effort that is now sixteen years old, Homework Help now operates three days a week and includes free supper and a chance for students to combine their studies with a class in art, journalism or cooking.

The Fourth Church Food Pantry -- Now in our 23<sup>rd</sup> year, the food pantry consistently serves some 600 families per month.

Friday Night Teen Group -- Our youth group has become an anchor for youth in the area, as many as 40-45 in the busy stretches. From that program special opportunities have sprouted, including boat-making, harambee mentoring, and youth organizing training.

Recovery from Addiction -- Fourth Church hosts multiple recovery groups. We also have sponsored a unique group that explores connections between 12 Step Recovery and Christianity.

Youth Organizing -- Working with a local foundation to encourage civic engagement, we have trained and hired teens as organizers. They have worked to increase voting in our precinct by 30%, worked on a project to improve lighting in their neighborhood, and organized a public action on jobs with our elected officials.

Health Care -- A founding member of GBIO, Fourth Church worked with congregations across the city to pass a health care bill that has received national attention.

Prayer Shawl Outreach -- One of our most recent programs, knitters create shawls for those in life transitions and pray for them at the same time.