

## MAESTRO HAYDEN C. JACKSON



He is affectionately known as “*Maestro*” for his unique style, bridging the gap between classical and gospel music. Hayden developed a fond love of music early in life. At an early age, Hayden began mastering the piano, playing a unique variety of gospel music ranging from old spirituals and hymns to traditional and contemporary, blended with a hint of classical. By 13, he became the full-time minister of music at a local church. Hayden has been mentored by Ohio’s best piano instructors including, the late Anna Gee Blackwell-Hagans and Lydia Smith-Lockwood.

Hayden served in the music ministry at the Church of Jesus Family Center in Springfield, OH under the leadership of his Surrogate Grandfather, Bishop Cecil A. Pratt until his retirement in 2014. He is a proud member of Greater Grace Temple “*A City of David*” under the leadership of Bishop Charles H. Ellis III in Detroit, Michigan. His accomplishments include:

- Recognized as “Gifted and Talented” in the state of Ohio
- Winner of the 2011 Pentecostal Assemblies of the World Youth Talent Competition
- 2011, 2012 and 2013 reigning champion of the Omega Psi Phi’s International Talent Competition
- 2014 National Choral Award Honoree
- 2014 invitation to the State of Ohio Legislature to discuss the need to preserve music programs in educational institutions

Hayden is the founder and director of *H. C. Jackson and God’s Vision*, a choir comprised of members of various faiths and ages based in Ohio, and Psalms 150 Enterprises.

The Lord continues to bless Hayden to perform and teach at various gospel music and religious conferences, conventions, and workshops including the Gospel Music Workshop of America, the Edwin & Walter Hawkins Music and Arts Love Fellowship Conference, The Dr. Thomas A. Dorsey National Convention of Choirs and Choruses, and the Pentecostal Assemblies of the Word International Convention. He has been showcased on the Dr. Bobby Jones Impact TV Network and The WORD Network. Hayden has been featured in venues before gospel greats such as Edwin Hawkins, Donald Lawrence, Richard Smallwood, Bishop Marvin Sapp, Keith Pringle, and countless others. Hayden continues to perform and minister around the world displaying God’s healing, delivering, and saving power through the gift of music.