

Jackson Jazz 2004



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"Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to my people? Who will go for us?" And I said, "Lord, I'll go! Send me."

Isaiah 6:8 (NLT)

It is hard to believe that 17 years ago this month we were preparing to do our very first Christmas concerts as a family! It was a much smaller undertaking in those days. . . Brittany in her red and green ruffled lace dress and Brent in his green velvet vest and bowtie, ready to sing with Daddy and Mommy! Our family has changed and grown significantly since then, but those same humble ministry desires have remained. We realized then, as we do now, that families need Jesus Christ at the center of their lives and that God is looking for faithful messengers who are willing to carry His truth. We solemnly accepted God's calling on our lives when our commissioning church sent us out as, "Missionaries to the Family." Many of you have been witnesses to our miraculous journey as God has rescued our family so many times with physical healing and divine protection. Our hearts overflow with gratitude for those of you who have steadfastly prayed and financially given so that this ministry can go forward in power! Thousands have given their hearts to Jesus in this past year and that spiritual harvest is YOURS!

We have just concluded one of the most exciting and fruitful years in our history. God has opened unprecedented doors of opportunity for us in mainland China. This was our third ministry tour in Asia and the greatest breakthrough so far! In the northern

regions of China, in the cities of Harbin and Shenyang, we had the privilege of seeing more than 4,000 people pray to receive Jesus as their Savior. Our family concerts were hosted in downtown auditoriums and out in farming communities. We were guests of government-run, official churches and we were also able to encourage small, struggling house churches. We met one elderly couple who have been imprisoned and tortured throughout most of their lives because they have faithfully served Jesus Christ. Today, three generations of their family are involved in church leadership because of their unwavering stand. These families were among thousands who were thrilled to hear songs and experience ministry concerning God's plan for the home. Chinese language characters were projected with translation of all the songs and our children sang limited amounts in the language as well. We were amazed and humbled that the Lord would use our family to impact on so many. We have now been contacted by leadership within one of China's most prestigious hotel chains to return *as soon as possible* for the purpose of holding ministry events in their hotel ballrooms all across China! These are truly miraculous days as revival begins to touch this nation. We are praying that God will lay it on the hearts of His people to help us cover costs exceeding \$20,000. so that we can travel to numerous city locations within mainland China by Spring of '05.

Our Home and Ministry Office Have Moved!!

Within this past year, the Lord showed us through dramatic events and earnest seeking of His will that we needed to relocate. A beautiful farm property became available less than two miles from Grandma and Grandpa Jackson. God provided a buyer for our former house and ministry office at just the right moment so that we could make a smooth transition to the new location. What a miraculous provision it has turned out to be with double the amount of office space and plenty of room for expansion! We are now living in Troy, OH about twenty miles north of our old location in the Dayton area. You may have noticed that our region of Ohio got a lot of attention in the presidential election?! I guess that we are in the perfect place to inspire a grassroots movement for change in America's family values!



We are eagerly anticipating the release of a new family recording as well as the single of "I Will Wait For You." Our young people have had the privilege of sharing this powerful song about sexual abstinence and a Godly standard of purity. This year, in venues from Texas to New York and from Minnesota to Florida, all areas of the U.S. seem to agree that this song beautifully communicates a desperately needed message. The greatest response of all, however, has come from China where they have told us that this song could impact on *millions*! We have been trying to raise the budget for a music video of this song because they have told us that a video would be aired on national communist television. *Would you pray with us about this?*

These are days when ministries that lift up family values like Biblical marriage and Christian parenting should be most active! In the midst of tremendous blessing and opportunity we are facing some of our greatest financial challenges ever. We want to be able to say "YES" when God calls us to bring revival to families across the world. Would YOU be willing to help us? If God has ever blessed you through this ministry we really need to hear from you. A generous



Thanksgiving Offering at this special season could be an investment in reaching thousands of souls in the upcoming year. Your best gift for the Lord's work will be a tremendous encouragement to us and to so many who need Jesus. Thanks for helping!



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The Jacksons

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