HOLY WEEK JAZZ VESPERS presents The KT COLLABORATIVE



THEME: THE PRAISE CONSPIRACY Matthew 21:9-15



featured vocalist: The Honorable Rochelle Robinson, Mayor of Douglasville, GA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025 7PM

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HOLY WEEK JAZZ VESPERS THEME

The Praise Conspiracy

Horation/Inger/Assault

Matthew 21:9-15

The Occasion/Setup

Each vear we have a theme that frames the countdown to Calvary. Our point of view this year is the Praise Conspiracy that set the stage for the crucifixion. The hosannas of Palm Sunday are countered with the question of "who is this?". Jesus' reputation preceded him into Jerusalem and the Jewish ruling class is angry that Jesus commands more attention and respect than they do. In modern vernacular, "Who is this dude? He is an unlearned troublemaker and we need to shut him down". The deadly game of thrones begins as the plot to under mind and crucify the Lamb of God escalates. Like the King of Siam declared that "nobody's head shall be higher than mine", the chief priests purposed to spread the big political lie that meant cutting out the unwanted middle man. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son". The cross is looming LARGE, The conspiracy grows!! The DEI order is set: Divine Emancipator Interrupted! In other words: KILL HIM!

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JAZZ VESPERS MINISTRY MEMBERS

Sis. Kristal Ammons, Bro. Keith Burnett, Bro. Jeremy Johnson~Min. of Music, Bro. Ed Jones, Bro. Cyril Mayes, Sis. Alicia Oden, Sis. Tallulah Ragsdale, Sis. Phyllislorena Smiley, Sis. M. Paulyne Morgan White, Bro. Jory Young, Rev. Joyce Young~Ministry Leader.

THE PROGRAMME

HOLY WEEK JAZZ VESPERS

Welcome	Rev. Joyce C. Young
Opening HymnSis. Karon A. Stephens Oh, How I Love Jesus—AME Hymn # 185 (tune #141)	
Invocation	Bro. Cyril Mayes
Scripture MARK 21: 9-15	Bro. Keith Burnett
The Occasion/Setup	Sis. Alicia Oden
Introduction of The Artist	Rev. Joyce Young

PART I

The K.T. Collaborative

featuring: The Honorable Rochelle Robinson, Mayor, Douglasville, GA

INTERMISSION—OFFERING

Vespers Prayers......Rev. Charmain Purvis/Rev. Joyce Young

PART II

The K.T. Collaborative

featuring: The Honorable Rochelle Robinson, Mayor, Douglasville, GA

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMARKS

Bro. Jeremy Johnson, Minister of Music Rev. John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor, Big Bethel AMEC

Closing Prayer & Benediction

Toin Us For

MAUNDY THURSDAY FOOTWASHING SERVICE- April 17th GOOD FRIDAY-SEVE N LAST WORDS-April 18th 6 AM SUNRISE WORSHIP & 10 AM RESURRECTION CELEBRATION WORSHIP-April 20th

OUR MUSICAL GUESTS

Mr. Kelvin Thompson and "The KT Collaborative":

Collaborate: To work jointly with others in an intellectual or meaningful endeavor.

Kelvin (KT) Thompson counts among his blessings of life, the gift of music. KT is currently leading and supporting a range of music/arts endeavors as a bandleader and producer of music arts-oriented events around the metro Atlanta community and beyond.

His current music and artistic engagements include serving as the founder and music director of the well-regarded jazz neo-soul ensemble, "The KT Collaborative." He also serves as a pipe organist for historic Big Bethel AME church in downtown Atlanta. The Collaborative plays a wide variety of musical genres including jazz, neo-soul, pop, R+B, Latin-Caribbean, light rock and classical. Their performances also typically infuse spoken word, dance and visual art for a truly enjoyable music and artistic experience!!

He and "The Collaborative" perform regularly around the Atlanta region including the High Museum of Art, the Illuminarium Atlanta, the City of Atlanta, Alpharetta Arts Center, Roswell Cultural Arts Center, The Perfect Note, Marietta, Velvet Note, Alpharetta as well as Charlotte, NC at various jazz and arts venues. He also plays and collaborates when traveling around the world including most recently historic Cartagena, Columbia and previously Rio Grande, Puerto Rico.

The KT Collaborative was born of his frequent collaborations with numerous artistic and talented musician friends. As "collaboration" infers cooperative or shared objectives to reach a common goal, he and the Collaborative are pleased to bring their musical gifts to audiences locally and globally. For this Big Bethel AME Jazz Vespers, KT is joined by featured vocalist *Rev. Rochelle Robinson*, *Marquis Hare-saxophonist*, *Brandon Austin-trumpet*, *Ron Collier-drums*, *and Ray McMurtry-bass*.

Please welcome The KT Collaborative, "Jazz Presented Uniquely With Excellence".

The Honorable Rev. Rochelle Robinson:

Rev. Rochelle Robinson is a United States Army Veteran and an Elected Official, where she is the first woman and first African American to serve as Mayor in the City of Douglasville's history.

Sister Rochelle accepted the Lord at in early age and grew up in the way at Union Baptist Church of Youngstown, Ohio, where she sang in the Choir and assisted her Mother in Sunday School and with the Missionary Board.. Rev. Rochelle accepted her call to the Ministry under the watchful eye of Elder Manuel Holston (Emeritus) Martin Street Church of God. Rev. Rochelle Robinson received her Ministerial License (2008) and subsequent Ordination in 2009 from the Church of God Ministries, Anderson, Indiana. Rev. Rochelle served in the Choir and Women's Ministry at Martin Street and later served on the Georgia Ministerial Credentials Committee for several years.

After College at Youngstown State University, Sister Rochelle relocated to Washington DC to start her professional career with the Central Intelligence Agency. While in the Nation's Capitol, Sister Rochelle worshipped at Long Reach Church of God and grew in her Spiritual walk under the tutelage of her "Father in the Ministry", the late Bishop Robert S. Davis Sr. While at Long Reach Sister Rochelle served in several leadership positions to include the Praise Team, Choir, Outreach Team, and Young Adult Cell Leader. There she met and married the right Rev. Jeff Robinson and moved to Douglasville, Georgia.

For fourteen years, God called Rev. Rochelle to assist and support her husband, the right Rev. Jeff Robinson, as they together Co-Pastored the Total Renewal Church of God. Currently the Reverends Jeff & Rochelle along with their family attend and Serve on the Ministerial roster of Gospel Nation Fellowship under Pastor, Rev. John Bailey.

Rev. Rochelle is a highly sought after Nation Preacher, Teacher, Motivational Speaker, and Soloist, who is honored and excited to share the good news of the gospel through word and song.