

Heart 2 Heart

Spotlight on: One Voice Gospel Choir

Although OneVoice Gospel Choir has been a part of Cedarville for many years, this year marks two major milestones for the choir. OneVoice now has a full time director and is an official Christian Ministries music team.

OneVoice Gospel Choir is a choral ministry of praise and worship emphasizing diversity. Because each culture worships God in its own way and heaven will be filled with that diversity, OneVoice aims to let members and the student body experience some of that diversity early. They lead worship for chapel, provide special music, and perform for special events, as well as sing in local churches and with other colleges and universities.

With OneVoice now a part of the Christian Ministries Touring Teams Department, students may wonder how OneVoice differs from HeartSong. The biggest difference is anyone may participate in OneVoice

and no audition is required. You only need a love for worshipping God through song. However, both groups seek to minister to the body of Christ through service and music.

Justin Spann, long time member of OneVoice, now serves as the OneVoice director spending time not only directing OneVoice, but expanding and developing their reach and impact at Cedarville and around the area. For Justin, one of the most rewarding experiences of being involved in OneVoice is "seeing how the choir comes together to pray for each other, to support one another, and to just have fun. I also love those rehearsals where we really just start to enjoy worshiping God together and no one wants to leave. It is very encouraging when everyone wants to sing 'just one more song' and not rush off when time is up. If I had to pick just one favorite event, it would be the joint concert we did

with Central State and Wilberforce. Coming together to worship God at a state university was such an awesome experience."

Latice Strickland, member and section leader for OneVoice, joined OneVoice because she enjoyed gospel music and loves to sing. Plus, she didn't have to try out to be in it. "Participating in OneVoice has really been a blessing to me since I've been at Cedarville. It's not just a great way to minister; it gives me an opportunity to worship God with friends, and it's a really fun study break."

OneVoice is open to anyone who loves to sing and wants to minister through music. Rehearsals are held each Monday and Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m. If you would like more information about joining OneVoice, email OneVoice or call 7613.



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Ministry Opportunities

Grace Baptist Church in Cedarville MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) program needs students willing to help with child care on the 4th Thursday of each month from 9-11:30am. Please contact Aimee Wallis at 766-4543 or wallisfam@sbcglobal.net if you would like to help with this ministry.

AHOP Church in Xenia, needs volunteers for their Community Youth Center and tutors for Jr. and Sr. high students Monday through Friday. For more information, contact Nathan Chrisman, Director of Activities and Outreach at 947-554-2125 or Nate821c@woh.rr.com.

Youth Advocate, an Urban Light Ministry in Springfield needs volunteers to help with basketball coaching, tutoring, and driving vans to pickup and return teens home after tutoring. They also need help with teen services at p.m. and evening cook-outs on Sundays. For more information, contact Reverend F. W. James at 937-360-7668 or fwjames@fwjames.com.

"It doesn't matter how great the pressure is. What really matters is where the pressure lies, whether it comes between me and God or whether it presses me nearer His heart."

Hudson Taylor

"...With your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God."

Revelation 5:9-10

If you have any questions about Community Ministries or Heart 2 Heart, contact Brynn Paine or stop by Christian Ministries in the DMC.