

Kevin Sharpe
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MUSIC DIRECTOR, WORSHIP LEADER

INSTRUMENTS: Voice, Piano/Organ/Keyboards, Latin/Classical/African Percussion, Vibraphone/Marimba, Drumset, Bass Guitar

EXPERIENCE:

- ***Music Director/Organist:** Bethesda Church in of God in Christ –
Worked with vocalists and band, played Hammond organ
- ***Choir Director/Organist:** New Jerusalem Church of God Christ-
Directed the children’s choir, played Hammond organ
- * **Music Director/Pianist:** Holy Family Catholic Church -
Selected and arranged music, played piano, taught and directed the Saint Peter Claver Choir
- ***Music Director /Worship Leader/** Christian Embassy Church-
Selected and arranged music, taught the praise team and band recruited/scheduled participants, lead worship and played keyboard
- ***Assistant Music Director/Bassist:** St. John’s Congregational Church-
Assisted main director in all areas. Recruited/scheduled band members, arranged all music for band, rehearsed band, directed men’s choir, directed all other ensembles as needed, keyboard accompanist for children’s choirs, bass guitarist for all services and or other instruments/vocals as necessary
- ***Choir Director/ Organist:** Emanuel Baptist Church -
Taught and directed main choir and band and played Hammond organ
- ***Keyboardist/Music Director:** New Creation Church -
Played piano for all services, selected and arranged all music, taught and directed choir/band, scheduled/recruited instrumentalists
- ***Keyboardist:** Fresh Anointing Church of God in Christ (church plant) -
Keyboard accompanist for all services.
- *Recordings with John Blake, Archie Shepp, Jasmine Guy, Charles Langford, Heshima, The Def Psalmist, God’s Worship Warriors
- *Taught Band, Chorus, General Music and Music History in the Springfield Public Schools
- *Studio Musician / MIDI programmer,
- *Familiar with music software (Finale/ProTools, ProPresenter)
- * Guest Conductor for the Springfield Symphony Orchestra
- * Interim Artistic Director: Dartmouth College Gospel Choir
- * Writer/founder/vocalist: Contemporary Christian Vocal Group “Fellowship” on the Prosperous Records record label
- * Vocalist with the Glory Gospel Singers and The Harlem Gospel Choir on domestic, European and Caribbean tours

- *Director and pianist: Genesis Gospel Choir at Smith College
- * Pianist for the University of Massachusetts NAH Ensemble
- * Percussionist/Vocalist in “Raisin’ Cane” a musical on the Harlem Renaissance featuring Jasmine Guy

PUBLICATIONS :

- * Featured in “Point of View” July 2012, “The City Beat” magazine (Producers Issue, winter 2001), also in the Dec. 2001 issue of “Drum!” and the April 2002 issue of “Modern Drummer”

EDUCATION:

- * Full Sail University: Master of Science- Entertainment Business
- * University of Massachusetts: Bachelor of Music- Jazz Performance and Music Education
- * Studied: Classical Percussion with Dr. Peter Tanner, Voice with Dr. Horace Clarence Boyer, Arranging with Prof. Jeff Holmes, Improvisation with Dr. Yusef Lateef, and Choral Conducting with Dr. Charles Heffernan

CURRENTLY

- * Worship Leader/ Music Director- Morning Star Church
- * Recording artist with “The Kevin Sharpe Group” Original Worship ensemble
- * Producer, Engineer, and workshop presenter: SwingHigh Productions
- * Private Instructor: Voice, Piano, Drums, Classical Percussion, and Bass
- *Endorsements from: Noble & Cooley Drums, E & O Mari/LaBella Strings, DSSP keyboard pedals and Vic Firth sticks

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