

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN QUARTET, organized in May 1978, in the rolling pine-hills of West-Central Louisiana, and is an outreach of the SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN MINISTRIES, INC., a non-profit Christian organization. The ministry, supported by the contributions of its Christian friends, appears in Christian churches, regardless of denominational affiliation, on an expense plus love-offering basis.

The Lord has richly blessed the SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN since its meager beginnings; singing primarily in local churches at that time, the group now travels by private coach to churches and auditoriums throughout the South and, when possible, beyond. The group has had the privilege of appearing from California's Hollywood Hills, to the Great Northwest, to the Rockies of Colorado, to the Alleghenies of Pennsylvania.

In 1998, the twentieth year in the ministry, THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN were appointed *"Louisiana's Ambassadors of Goodwill"* by Governor Mike Foster. This is an honor not taken lightly by THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN. They are proud of their Christian heritage, proud to be American and proud of the State and Communities from which they hail.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN are not entertainers in the true sense of the word. Their primary goal is to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, via the medium of gospel music and Christian witness. THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN are not restricted by the boundaries of denomination. It is their strong belief that all Bible-Believing, Christian people must love one another, and work toward the common goal of reaching the lost, rather than criticizing each other's personal convictions. This policy has allowed THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN to appear in churches of almost every faith.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN are as follows: **Marcelle Slaughter**, tenor/manager/executive producer/bus driver; new-comers, **Jordan Mothershed**, lead singer; **Allen Doyle**, baritone; **Mike Burkhalter**, bass singer; **Aaron Allen**, sound manager; **Tracy Brown**, sound consultant/producer/co-manager; and **Terry W. Foster**, webmaster.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN have eighteen albums to their credit. In 1984 the group's first single, "Headed Home", received extensive air-play from radio stations across the country. Chronologically, the albums are: ON THE BATTLEFIELD (1979), EVEN WINDS WHISPER HIS NAME (1980), LOOKING UP (1980), BACK TO THE BASICS (1982), HEADED HOME (1984), ONE DAY AT A TIME (1985), NEXT TIME (1986), DECADE (1988), GOD MADE A WAY (1991), I KNOW A MAN WHO CAN (1992), CELEBRATION OF MEMORIES (1993), A BRIDGE IN TIME (1994), SIGN ME UP (1995), THE NARROW PATH OF LIFE (1997), REFLECTIONS (1999), HOLD ON! (2000)--produced by Mark Trammell, SILVER ANNIVERSARY (2003), BY REQUEST (2005), CLASSICS (2007) and our latest Simply...Faith! (2008)


For ten years, THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN hosted a weekly, forty-five minute radio program on Central Louisiana's KWDF Radio 840 AM. The show, "Southern Gospel with The Southern Plainsmen," featured group news, as well as, area gospel news, interviews with local gospel groups and professional groups appearing in Central Louisiana. Area merchants sponsored the show which was discontinued in January, 2000, when the station was lost to fire.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN are members of The Southern Gospel Music Association (**SGMA**), The Bay Area Gospel Music Association (**BAGMA**), and The Southern & Country Gospel Music Association. Marcelle represents The Southern Plainsmen as 2nd Vice President of The Southern Gospel Promoters Association (**SGPA**) and the group hosts several concerts each year in the West-Central Louisiana area. Marcelle also co-hosts, with Rich Dupree, **SOUTHERN GOSPEL SHOWCASE**, a 30 minute Southern Gospel video show each Sunday morning on Central Louisiana's ABC affiliate, KLAX.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN have made several television appearances, including KNOE-TV's "JUBILETTE'S GOSPEL SING", in Monroe, Louisiana, Dan Diamond's SUNDAY MORNING DOWN SOUTH, and WGGs-TV's "NITELINE", in Greenville, South Carolina, and many local cable stations throughout the South. The group has shared the stage with such groups as THE SOUTHERN ENVOYS, THE MID-SOUTH BOYS, THE CATHEDRAL QUARTET, THE SINGING AMERICANS, THE FLORIDA BOYS, REX NELON SINGERS, THE LE FEVRES, THE DIXIE ECHOES, THE NATIONS, WENDY BAGWELL & THE SUNLIGHTERS, THE ORIGINAL HINSONS, BO HINSON & PURPOSE, THE MC KAMEYS, THE MC GRUDERS, CHARLES JOHNSON and THE REVIVERS, THE PFEIFERS, PERFECT HEART, TERRY & SUSAN DAVIS, JEFF & SHERRY EASTER, THE STEELES, THE KINGSMEN, GOLD CITY, JAMES BLACKWOOD & THE BLACKWOOD QUARTET, J. D. SUMNER & THE STAMPS, THE MARTINS, THE INSPIRATIONS, THE CECIL BLACKWOOD QUARTET, GREATER VISION, PHIL CROSS & POET VOICES, THE SQUIRE PARSON'S TRIO, HOVIE LISTER & THE STATESMEN, ED ENOCH & GOLDEN COVENANT, NAOMI & THE SEGOS, BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE and THE PERRYS. The group can be found at Booth #s 362 & 364 at THE NATIONAL QUARTET CONVENTION each September in Louisville, Kentucky.

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN have recorded with SWORD & SHIELD STUDIOS, Arlington, Texas, MARK FIVE STUDIOS, Greenville, South Carolina, SUMET-BURNET STUDIOS, Dallas, Texas, PRAET STUDIOS of Alexandria, Louisiana, and GOLD MINE STUDIOS of Gadsden, Alabama. **Visit our webpage at www.southernplainsmen.com**

On the 30th Anniversary of the Southern Plainsmen Quartet the following proclamation was presented:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
State of  Louisiana
Governor
Bobby Jindal

Official Statement

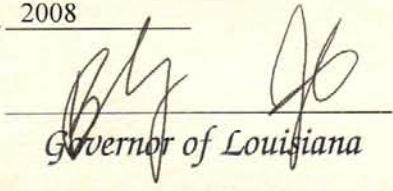
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY
OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,
I, BOBBY JINDAL,
TOGETHER WITH THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE,
HEREBY GIVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO

*Marcelle Slaughter and the
Southern Plainsmen Quartet*

IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
YOUR 30TH ANNIVERSARY AS
LOUISIANA AMBASSADORS OF GOODWILL



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my
hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Executive Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 5th day of June
A.D., 2008*


Governor of Louisiana

The Southern Plainsmen Quartet of Hornbeck, Louisiana had the distinction of being appointed **Louisiana's Ambassadors of Goodwill**. Republican, Louisiana Governor Mike Foster invited the Southern Gospel group, which celebrated it's 20th Anniversary in 1998, to the Louisiana State Capitol in Baton Rouge late last year for a photo opportunity with the governor to commemorate this milestone.



State of Louisiana
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA



On behalf of the people of the State of Louisiana, I,

Governor M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.

hereby give special recognition to

THE SOUTHERN PLAINSMEN QUARTET

I do hereby express the pride of the State by conferring

this Governor's Award in acknowledgment of

YOUR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY
AND THE STATE AS AMBASSADORS OF GOODWILL

In Testimony Whereof, *I have hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the seal of the*
Executive Department of the State of Louisiana, at the City of Baton Rouge, this 5TH day of JUNE

in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and NINETY-EIGHT



Governor of Louisiana

