

## Six Artists Compete to Win Gospel Music Recording Contract—TAMPA, Fla., March 7, 2019

### **MARCH 10: EXCLUSIVE PROGRAM LAUNCHES ON TD JAKES' BISHOP'S VILLAGE STREAMING PLATFORM**

Six gospel artists will have the chance to become a gospel music star on a new reality program called *The Gospel*. *The Gospel* chronicles eight episodes as contestants compete for a national management contract with T.D. Jakes' Dexterity Sounds and Marquis Boone Music Group. The first of its kind for gospel music, the winner of this Christian music competition will be announced with the opportunity to perform at the International Pastors & Leadership Conference in Tampa Bay on April 25.

The show is executive produced by T.D. Jakes and Marquis Boone and hosted by Darlene McCoy. The Gospel will serve as a platform for up-and-coming gospel artists while inspiring viewers through their faith-filled musical performances. Not only will artists discover stardom, but they will also experience the hustle and drive necessary to rise in the entertainment industry. The program will air beginning March 10 exclusively on Bishop's Village, T.D. Jakes' online streaming platform with behind the scene videos, messages and content. Visit [BishopsVillage.com](http://BishopsVillage.com) to subscribe, stream and vote. A sneak peek of the series is available [here](#).

Contestants were discovered via video recordings submitted on social media and through Bishop's Village. Mentors, including Micah Stamply, Jakalyn Carr, Q Parker, Devyne Stephens and more, will help mold them into polished performers. Each week viewers subscribed to Bishop's Village will have the chance to vote and select the winner of the artists' weekly challenge. In the end, T.D. Jakes and Marquis Boone will select the winner of a national management contract.

The 2019 International Pastors & Leadership Conference is April 25 – 27, 2019, at the Tampa Convention Center. At the conference, Jakes will also be unveiling his latest book, *[Crushing: God Turns Pressure into Power](#)*.

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### **About The Potter's House**

Founded in 1996, The Potter's House is a 30,000-member nondenominational, multicultural church and humanitarian organization led by Bishop T. D. Jakes, twice featured on the cover of Time magazine as America's Best Preacher. It has global humanitarian outreach and 48 active ministries like its Texas Offenders Re-entry initiative. Consistently ranked among the largest and most influential churches in the U.S., The Potter's House has five locations: The Potter's House of Dallas, The Potter's House of Fort Worth, The Potter's House of North Dallas, The Potter's House of Denver and The Potter's House at One L.A. For more information, visit [ThePottersHouse.org](http://ThePottersHouse.org).

### **About Bishop's Village**

Launched in 2017, Bishop's Village is the exclusive streaming video and live events channel of Bishop T.D. Jakes. Powered by TAPP, the personality-focused subscription video company founded by the former chief executives of CNN/U.S. and NBC Universal Television, Bishop's Village is home to subscribers from around the world.

The subscription video channel is a vibrant interactive community offering unique features that create a direct

connection between Jakes and the millions who regularly rely on his guidance and inspirational messages. Jakes shares his penetrating spiritual insights in video chats with subscribers, and personally answers user questions posted to the channel about faith, family, professional challenges or personal struggles.

Bishop's Village features exclusive content from Jakes' enormously popular events including: MegaFest, the International Pastors & Leadership Conference and *Woman, Thou Art Loosed!*. For more information and to subscribe, visit [BishopsVillage.com](http://BishopsVillage.com).