

Jarvis R. Wilson

Musician

Returning to the Carolina Black Clergy Leadership Retreat, Jarvis R. Wilson brings over five decades of musical excellence and ministry.

An Atlanta native, Jarvis discovered his passion for music at an early age, receiving formal training under esteemed mentors, including the late Mrs. Alberta Williams King (mother of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.) and renowned concert organist David Stills. By the age of 10, he was



already serving as an organist in church, laying the foundation for a lifelong journey of worship through music.

A graduate of Morris Brown College, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Church Music, Jarvis has dedicated his career to enhancing worship experiences across the United States and internationally. He has served in various leadership capacities at numerous churches, including Cascade United Methodist Church and West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta. His impact extends beyond the church walls, having played an integral role as the principal organist and worship leader for several United Methodist Church Annual Conferences, including North Georgia, Western North Carolina, and the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Jarvis is the founder of CEGSW Enterprises, LLC, and Worship Enhancement Workshop Ministries, through which he conducts choral workshops, equipping choirs and musicians to elevate their craft. His global reach includes performances in New York, California, Jamaica, London, Sweden, and Portugal, among many other locations. He has also recorded five instrumental albums.

Among his many accolades, Jarvis has received the Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Award for Dedicated Service, and numerous recognitions for his contributions to gospel music and ministry. A devoted father of three and a member of Cascade United Methodist Church, Jarvis lives by Psalm 150: "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." His return to the retreat promises to bring a powerful, spirit-filled worship experience.