

Unity and Reconciliation Resources



- Watch the August 5 Global Prayer Gathering Video [here](#)
- Go to [Hope Has a Name](#) to hear Peggy Banks and Babbie Mason's podcast on TWR360.
- To listen to Babbie Mason Radio and visit Babbie's website click [here](#)
- Books by Babbie Mason - *Embraced by God* [book](#) and *Embraced by God: Seven Promises for Every Woman* [eight week study](#).
- *Disciplines of the Spirit* by Howard Thurman - Dr. Howard Thurman (1900-1981)--minister, educator, philosopher, and poet--explores five major dimensions of the spiritual life: commitment, growing in wisdom and stature, suffering, prayer, and reconciliation.
- *More Than Equals: Racial Healing for the Sake of the Gospel* (The IVP Signature Collection) Paperback – June 8, 2021 by Spencer Perkins (Author), Chris Rice (Author) With biblical grounding, hopeful realism, and practical detail, More Than Equals provides a helpful framework for Christians engaged in the deep ongoing surgery of racial healing. Now available as part of the IVP Signature Collection, this edition includes a new preface by Rice and a study guide for group discussion.

Babbie Mason's bio and her thoughts on reconciliation



The name Babbie Mason is synonymous with creative excellence in the Gospel music industry. An award-winning singer, songwriter, author, speaker and television talk show host, Babbie Mason is the recipient of Two Dove Awards, including eleven Dove Award nominations. She has been nominated for the Grammy, the Stellar and the Emmy Awards as well as nominations from the Gospel Music Association for Female Vocalist of the Year and Songwriter of the Year. In 2010 Babbie Mason was

recognized for her contributions in Gospel music upon being inducted into The Christian Music Hall Of Fame.

Demonstrating exceptional musical skills early in life, Babbie began serving in the church where her father was pastor, in Jackson, Michigan and became the full-time pianist and choir director at age nine. Those humble beginnings paved the way for a ministry and career that have taken Babbie Mason and her music across the globe, to churches, conferences and corporate conventions, on television, radio, the silver screen, through her books and the world-wide web. She has graced the stage with three American presidents, Carter, Ford and Bush and appeared on numerous occasions worldwide with the Billy Graham Crusades, Women of Faith Conferences, The Grammy Awards, Carnegie Hall, Bill Gaither Homecoming events and churches such as the Brooklyn Tabernacle, First Baptist Atlanta and The Potter's House.

A gifted recording artist and prolific songwriter, Babbie has enjoyed a stellar career that includes 26 recorded projects and some of the nation's most recognized artists and groups across numerous genres have recorded her compositions, including CeCe Winans, Albertina Walker, Larnelle Harris, Helen Baylor, New Song, Steve Green, The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir, Alvin Slaughter, Ron Kenoly, Greater Vision and Legacy Five. Many of her compositions are considered modern-day church classics. She has garnered two ASCAP Awards and ten number one radio singles for her songs such as, All Rise, With All My Heart, Each One, Reach One, Trust His Heart, Standing in the Gap, God Will Open Up The Windows and Love Is The More Excellent Way. Her songs are featured among the great hymn writers in church hymnals, on Bill Gaither's Homecoming, Dr. Charles Stanley's In Touch, Showtime At the Apollo and on the silver screen in Denzel Washington's blockbuster film, *Deja Vu*.

Babbie has authored eight books and two women's Bible studies, all in an effort to challenge others to develop an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. Her most recent book, *Fully Qualified*, is an Amazon best-seller and is a practical guide to help singers, songwriters and self-published authors jump-start ministry, career and business, to use their unlimited gifts, talents and skills to impact the lives of others. Other books and Bible studies include, *Embraced By God*, *This I Know For Sure* and *I Am A Daughter of The Most High King*.

Babbie Mason is a cheerleader for up-and-coming creatives, mainly music artists, songwriters and self-published authors. She hosts The Inner Circle, a weekend music conference where Babbie and her husband, Charles, mentor and minister together, imparting their knowledge and experience with those desiring to enter into the music ministry and business. The founder of www.BabbieMasonRadio.com an online radio station, Babbie shares her global platform with independent singers, songwriters and authors who wish to share their music, books and God-stories with the world. She also reaches and teaches students in the college classroom, serving as Artist In Residence and adjunct professor of songwriting at Lee University in Cleveland, Tennessee, Lagrange College, Lagrange, Georgia and her alma mater, Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Michigan.

Babbie and her husband, Charles Mason live on a farm in Georgia where they enjoy family, fishing, eating fresh from the garden, stargazing and sunsets.
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Babbie's Thoughts on Reconciliation - Living and Loving Like Jesus

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are committed to live and love like Jesus in every aspect of life (1 John 2:6). When we live and love like Jesus, every person we encounter should feel loved and valued because we see them how Jesus does. We acknowledge that while this is our commitment, both individually and collectively we sometimes fall short.

Just as we need Jesus' death on the cross to reconcile us back to God (Romans 5:10), we need his death to reconcile us to one another (Matthew 5:24), so that we can be One in Christ as Jesus prayed we would be (John 17:20-21). When we determine to live and love like Jesus, we understand that he calls us to be an intentional community based on the Gospel, which transcends ethnic, cultural, socio-economic, and national divisions. Therefore, we celebrate the unity and diversity of the Church of Jesus Christ, and we long to experience it more fully in our church families.

From Genesis through Revelation, the Scriptures testify to God's reconciling and redemptive work to restore broken relationships. As ambassadors of Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20), are we committed to speaking and acting in alignment with Scripture, or will we shy away from difficult topics and the work of reconciliation?

Jesus calls us as his followers to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8). When we live and love like Jesus, our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and church are welcoming and mutually beneficial because we are looking out for the interests and well-being of others (Philippians 2:4). Jesus' love compels us to practice true friendship by loving our neighbors as ourselves, extending hospitality, forgiving one another, defending the persecuted, and living in peace with everyone (Matthew 22:37-39).

We commit to be intentional about taking action to ensure this reconciliation can and will occur and aspire to be a church that shows respect and love for all people because every person is made in God's image (Genesis 1:27). <https://www.cccgo.com/lovelikej>