

# Rev. Dr. Alvin K. McKinney, "Saxophonist"

The Rev. Dr. Alvin McKinney is a Power Alto Saxophone player promoting his musical talents and sound on **his debut solo CD "A Spiritual Journey"**. A native of Memphis, Tennessee, Dr. McKinney has been performing since the age of four. For over 25 years he's performed on Alto, Tenor and Soprano saxophones professionally. Additional musical skills and talent include flute, clarinet, midi wind controller, keyboards, drums and percussion. His musical background includes such styles as classical, jazz, gospel, blues, dixieland, R & B, soul, and funk. He's a song writer, arranger, composer and producer with a history of projects in production, musical direction, acting and choreography. He graduated from University of Memphis with a Bachelors in Music Education (B.M.E.) with a concentration in saxophone performance. He studied under the Professor of Saxophones, Mr. Allen Rippe. In the University of Michigan's Masters program he studied saxophone performance under Mr. Donald Sinta and taught jazz styles as a graduate assistant under Ed Sarath for one year.

**Endorsements:** Dr. McKinney is an Artist clinician, performing exclusively on Keilwerth Saxophones (Alto, Soprano & Tenor). He performs exclusively on Beechler Mouthpieces, Remle Musical Products Inc. Additional endorsements include the Korg Triton Studio Work Station Keyboard and Audio Technica Wireless Microphone System.

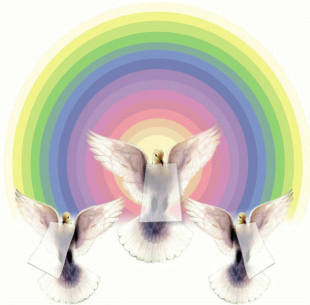
**Over the years Dr. McKinney has performed as a Featured artist, Guest artist, worked as a Music Director and/or Toured with such artists as Rufus Thomas and Carla Thomas, B. B. King, Johnny Adams, Lazy Lester, Latimore, Jimmy Heath, Slide Hampton, Louie Bellson, Clark Terry, Kirk Whalum, Ron Brown, Billy Preston (saxophone and horn arranger), Syreeta Wright, Tumi Ansa, Kurl McKinney, J. P. Myles (Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia), DN'A (Martinique/Caribbean Islands as opening act for Darryl Coley and Vanessa Bell Armstrong), and Buggy Wilcox's "The Message", as a saxophonist or flautist. With the Crenshaw High School Elite Choir he toured annually as the featured Saxophonist**

t h r o u g h o u t t h e U S , France, Monaco, Switzerland, Andora and Spain. In the country of Ghana, he performed at that the Panafest 2005. He was the Music Director for Spiritual Journeys, an AT&T Broadband Cable Show and has produced for film and radio projects. He recorded and toured nationally with Nashville recording artist Todd Bradley & Next Level for 5 years. He left the group in 1995, after rededicating his life to Jesus Christ.

Dr. McKinney graduated from the Global Evangelical Christian College & Seminary where he received his Doctor of Ministry Degree in Sacred Music and his Master of Divinity Degree in Religious Community and Economic Development, Wetumpka, Alabama, 2005

He serves as the Assistant Pastor/Prophet & Minister of Music for Redeemer Church of Christ-Power of God Ministries, Los Angeles, CA ([www.redeemercoc.org](http://www.redeemercoc.org)). He is the President/Founder of the Alvin & Elizabeth McKinney Foundation ([aemfdtn.org](http://aemfdtn.org)), a 501(c)3 Non Profit Public Benefit Corporation established to promote cultural exchange through music and the arts with such supporters as the D'Addario Foundation for the Performing Arts, The Music Group and Charles Music. He is the Vice President of Prophetic Management & Entertainment.

He holds a professional clear teaching credential with the State of California and is a Certificated Teacher with the Los Angeles Unified School District where he works as the Music Director of Performing Arts at Southeast Middle School in the City of South Gate. He is a member of the American String Teachers Association with the National School Orchestra Association, the Southern California Band and Orchestra Association; a recipient of the Man of Excellence Award from the Association of Black Women Entrepreneurs; recipient of the Essential for A Healthier Life Award from the Wellness Group and a board member or the Ghana T.I.O. Inc. (Trade Information Office). His CD was produced by TVAfrica and is promoted in Ghana. Dr. McKinney is married to his Pastor, Dr. Elizabeth A. McKinney. He resides in Los Angeles, California in the community of Watts.



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