

Mp3 The Original Principal - Dance With Me



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Reggae 12 MP3 Songs WORLD: Reggae, WORLD: Island Details: Born in Kingston, Jamaica in October of 1958 my birth name was Stephen Weise. I grew up living with my mother and step father. My favorite subject in school was composition for which I always received good marks. I attribute my love of this subject as a major contributing faction in my passion for composing lyrics. While growing up my stepfather owned and operated two record shops in Kingston called Cunningham Record Shops which were located on Spanish Town Road near the Coronation Market. After school and on weekends I would help out in these shops. I noticed my musical inclination at the tender age of 9. While working one day in the shop, I found a telephone mouthpiece and hooked it to an amplifier in the shop. To my delight, the mouthpiece worked splendidly. Using this device, I began talking and singing to the rhythms of the music. This was where I first began to develop my musical skill and style. As I continued to practice, I began to realize that a crowd would gather both inside and outside of the shop to watch me perform. One day while entertaining the crowd, my stepfather appeared and became upset when he realized the crowd was there to watch me rather than to purchase records. In anger he unplugged my mouthpiece. After he left, I reconnected it and continued to entertain. One could easily trace my musical beginnings to that date some thirty years ago. After that incident my stepfather decided it was time for me to acquire a trade. He took me to apprentice as a shoemaker. Even though I excelled at the trade I was not happy as my soul belonged to my music. I left the apprenticeship and went to work at Joe Gibbs Record store in downtown Kingston. My stage name was Jah Grundy which I adopted after my favorite racehorse. My first recording was made at Channel One Studio in 1974 and was entitled Peace A De Action. Ironically, all I received for my share was cab fare from the studio. While at Joe Gibbs I recorded eight songs. Two of the eight were released. The first one Sholin Disiples better known as Sholin Temple topped the charts in 1978.

The second titled Resident Area featured myself along with the Original Black Uhuru with Michael Rose as the lead singer. During the 70s, 80s and 90s I became one of Jamaica's front line dancehall DJs. I began using the stage name Original Principal which originated in a classroom when learning about mythology. During the class I knew more about the topic than the teacher and took over the class. The other students then crowned me the Original Principal which has stuck in more ways than one. In 1978, I moved from Kingston to Negril to escape the city violence and join my father who was a resident of Negril. I still reside in Negril to this day. During the eighties I toured England, Canada and America and returned to Jamaica to build my home. I deejays on sounds such as Emperor Faith, Socialist Roots, Black Star, Stereo Phonic, Peoples Choice, King Majesty, Black Harmony Hi Fi, Arrow, Virgo, Gemini, Studio 54, Soul to Soul, Kingsturgay, Jack Ruby, Elpato, Tuffgon, Wh-Dat, Bodyguard, Taurus, Stone Love, Kilimanjaro, Super Sonic, Disco Bill, King Faith, Lightening, El Matador, Soul Shot, Tickka Muzik, Ghetto International, Black Scorpio, Metro Media, Down Beat, African Love in New York, Road Runner, Melody Hi Fi, Earthquake in Toronto, Cozone, Saxone, V Rocket, King Tubbys, and MacBee in England. I have performed at calendar shows such as Hot Shot, Reggae Ram Jam, Shock Attach, Reggae Maddness, Denbigh Show and Sumfest twice on legend night. I have performed on stage with Burning Spear, Dennis Brown, Freddie McGregor, Gregory Issacs, Luciano, Brigadeer Jerry, Josey Wales, Charlie Chaplin, Ninja Man, Horace Andy, Sugar Minott, Culture Daddy U-Roy plus many others too numerous to mention. The Original Principal, many times imitated, even impersonated but never once duplicated. Stay strong, do no wrong, sing your song, Rastafari so long. Blessed Love, Selah For booking information call 1-876-640-2488

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