

Mp3 Alton McClain Scarborough - Renaissance



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Contemporary Gospel offering from former lead singer of the 80's group Alton McClain Destiny. 13 MP3 Songs GOSPEL: Contemporary Gospel, JAZZ: Smooth Jazz Details: ALTON McCLAIN SCARBOROUGH Alton McClain Scarborough launched her singing career in her hometown of Baltimore, Maryland. Her first manager took her into the studio to cut a single, COME BACK BABY with famed R&B drummer Bernard Purdie producing. The record sold 20,000 copies in the Baltimore/Washington area alone and Alton's career was off and running. Alton then did a series of solo performances and commercials before moving to Los Angeles. With a new manager Alton met her first producer, Frank Wilson who subsequently introduced her to D'Marie Warren and Robyrda Stiger and Alton McClain Destiny was born. Fronted by Alton's soulful vocals, the group's first album for Polydor Records produced the Top 40 hit IT MUST BE LOVE. On the strength of that song, the group toured with Teddy Pendergrass, Frankie Beverly Maze, Chic, Peabo Bryson, The Gap Band and Millie Jackson. They appeared on national television and did a successful tour in Europe. The second album MORE OF YOU was a wonderful collection of upbeat dance tunes and heart wrenching ballads that displayed Alton's unique vocal styling and versatility. However, it was the third album, GONNA TELL THE WORLD, the title having almost a prophetic ring that would bring about many changes in Alton's life. This album was produced by Grammy award winning songwriter, Skip Scarborough. He was indeed Alton's "destiny" and out of that production would come a beautiful marriage and a great music team through which Alton was "gonna tell the world" a different kind of message. While on tour in Japan with Ray Parker, Jr., Alton heard the call to sing Gospel. After much thought and prayer she decided to consecrate her voice to the Lord no matter what the cost and God began to fine-tune the calling and make His purpose for her life clearer. One of the choir directors at the church she was attending at the time wrote her a little note

stating that she felt God wanted Alton to sing Gospel because lately there was a kind of "magic" in her voice when she sang and everybody was noticing it. Whenever she would sing at a church or for a special event, people would say how much they had been blessed by her ministry and wanted something to take with them. It was after many requests and much prayer that she decided to do her first Gospel album, GODS WOMAN, which her husband Skip produced. Together they worked on ideas and listened to songs that would be right for the album and released it in 1995. Two years later Skip and Alton became the Music Ministers at the Place of Grace Church where their friends David and Althea Franklin are the pastors. They fulfilled that role, writing many beautiful songs that were birthed during the Praise Worship times until Skips passing in 2003. Alton is currently a member of Restoring Life International Church where Drs. Kenneth and June Robinson are the pastors. She is the Director of Music Performing Arts there and has just finished her second CD appropriately titled RENAISSANCE. It includes several of the songs she and Skip wrote together and is dedicated to his loving memory. This is a new season for Alton and she looks forward to the future with great anticipation. She says, 'I am believing God extravagantly for the wonderful things He is doing because I know they will be exceeding abundantly above whatever I could even ask or think.'

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