



## **CELEBRATING 152 CONVENTIONS**

CGMA was officially established May 17, 1996. We are now celebrating our **27<sup>th</sup> year as an association**. In 1997 we held our first seven conventions. Our 2020 International Convention in Branson, Missouri was our 144<sup>th</sup> convention. Due to the pandemic, out-of-country borders were still closed in 2021 and 2022 so we held three US divisional conventions and our international convention here in the United States! The 2022 International Convention concluded our 152<sup>nd</sup> Convention!

**We praise the Lord for our 152<sup>nd</sup> Convention and 26<sup>th</sup> International Awards Celebration!** What a joy it has been to watch our Lord work over the last 27 years.

We pray that in 2023 the harvest of all we have been through will be bountiful. The number "23" represents change, progress and innovation. The number 23 signifies new beginnings, revolution and transformation. It also signifies spiritual growth. Pray there will be more salvations, families will grow closer together, the family of God will become more loving, and we will learn ways to be a greater blessing! Listen for His voice and be obedient.

## **A NETWORK OF ARTISTS**

Over 8,000 singers, musicians, songwriters, comedians, psalmists, whistlers, yodelers, reciters, dramatists, children's ministers, evangelists, authors, promoters, managers, etc. have banded together in CGMA for mutual fellowship and assistance. We are Christ-centered, worship-oriented, and ministry-driven...to bring Him pleasure.

## **RESOURCES**

**WRITTEN ARTICLES:** Over 600 articles and brochures have been written to advance the spiritual, ministerial, and musical welfare of our members. When information is requested that we have not written, we seek to compile it at our earliest convenience.

**RADIO SERMONS:** Over 150 recorded radio messages have been prepared and delivered to supporting members. These pulpit renderings deal with practical Christian living and the complexity of spiritual life. A new recording is released every month and available to those who are interested.

**COUNSEL:** We offer *around the clock* individual assistance to our members. We stand ready to advise in areas of spiritual maturity, songwriting, recording, releasing to radio, staying busy, domestic disputes, internet effectiveness, taking ministry to the next level, financial well-being and so much more.

**PRAYER PARTNERS:** We have prayer teams that take your need seriously. With your permission, it can be texted to the prayer team who will deal with the request within minutes or be e-mailed to a network of several thousand praying partners. We also have chaplains who will personally pray with you.

**INTERNET COMMUNICATION:** We are constantly enlarging our internet activity. As we secure resources, we are reaching out through the many venues available. As a member, you may also take advantage of these offerings and be linked to our website.

**ORDINATION:** In partnership with Patriot School of the Bible, we offer certification and ordination as *Music Ministers*. Once certification has been established you can be ordained at the CGMA convention of your choice. We have now ordained 58 into the Lord's service. You may also pursue a degree with Patriot University. Call us for more information about the courses offered and communication data.

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