

MINISTER & SPOUSE CHRISTMAS DINNER

DECEMBER 6, 2014

FELLOWSHIP HOUR - 10:30 AM

DINNER - 12:00 NOON

KELLER CONVENTION CENTER

1202 N KELLER DR., EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

COST: \$15/PERSON

DEPOSIT REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION

Deposits for Lead Pastors and spouse, full time paid staff and spouse & retirees and spouse will be refunded at the door at check in. Send registration form and deposit to Illinois District, Church of the Nazarene, P. O. Box 1054, Alton, IL 62002 by December 3, 2014. Deposits are non-refundable for those who make reservations and don't attend, whether full time staff, part time staff or retiree. Full time is considered devoting thirty plus hours per week to the ministry.

KIM MCLEAN



North Carolina native, Kim McLean was called to God's service first as a songwriter in her teen years. She prayed for the gift and God blessed the gift He gave, and her songs were the vehicle that brought her to Nashville in 1986, garnering her a publishing deal with the most powerful new publishing company in town within one month. A secular music deal, was the door that prepared the way for her gospel songwriting when she performed an original song for her publisher's church. Kim McLean's music alone, launched an entire new gospel division for the company and achieved a list of recorded Kim McLean music by acts like The Nelons, The Florida Boys, The Happy Goodmans, and The Martins, including a Song of the Year GMA Award.

While Kim McLean's secular career of songwriting was collecting successes with artists like Tim McGraw, Trisha Yearwood, and Lee Ann Womack, her gospel music career continued to quietly make an impact with her original songs like Sierra's "No Stone to Throw - The Maggie Song" and Lord Song's "Stronger For It". While the pitfalls of the commercial music industry took its toll on her marriage and personal life, a near fatal eating disorder drew Kim further and further away from the safety of the church.

Treatment, prayer, an invitation to become a worship leader at a very forgiving church, and God's grace, helped her find her way back to God and God's people. The worship began to heal her heart. Feeling God's urge to complete the education cut short by heartache and anorexia, Kim used her songwriting royalties to enroll at Trevecca Nazarene University. Pastor Jimmie Chapman saw the Light of God on Kim's life, and obedient to God's urging, handed her a Nazarene Minister's Manual in an act of true faith. That moment was the beginning of Kim McLean's call to ministry, encouraging her to not only complete her bachelor's degree, but her Master's Degree in Biblical Theology from Trevecca Nazarene University, seeking ordination as an evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene. She travels extensively in ministry to churches of all denominations. Her poignant message of God's grace and healing in her own life is changing lives in the recovery community, women's ministry segments, the un-churched, and those who have been abused by false doctrine.