

Gospel music mainstay MARK209 celebrates the release of their new radio single "It Takes Faith."

MARK209 has been referred to by some music business insiders as "The best group you have probably never heard." With the release of "It Takes Faith," they hope to change that. "It Takes Faith" was written by Kenna Turner West who is one of the most prolific gospel songwriters of today.

The apostle James said in James 2:17, "Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone." In "It Takes Faith" we feel Kenna has done a wonderful job putting the theme of this scripture to song.

Not only has MARK209 gotten a great song from a great writer, but they have utilized some of the best musicians in Nashville. The rhythm section is comprised mostly of the band members of country legend, Ronnie Millsap. The musicians playing on this song consist of on Guitars: Bruce Dees (played on over 70 #1 country records), Jamie Brantley (Ronnie Millsap's lead guitar player, bandleader, and music director), Kerry Marx (member of the staff band at the Grand Ole Opry, and was guitar player on the TV show, Nashville Now); Bass Guitar: Steve Brantley (played with James Brown, Dave Loggins and Gary Morris); Piano and B3 Organ: Adam Hampton (keyboard player for Ronnie Milsap); Drums: Rodney Edmondson (drummer for Ronnie Milsap); Harmonica and Fiddle: David Johnson. Recording Engineers are Jamie Brantley and Kerry West (Ronnie Milsap's sound engineer) and the project is co-produced by Billy Coren and Jamie Brantley.

This first radio single comes from their CD entitled "On A Roll", which is soon-to-be released.

2012 was a banner year for this electrifying quartet, highlighted by appearances at the 35th Anniversary of ELVIS WEEK at Graceland on the main stage, an appearance on the main stage at the North Carolina Apple Festival in Hendersonville, NC, and with Ronnie Milsap. Later this year the group is scheduled to perform at the legendary Wheeling Jamboree in Wheeling, WV during the Jamboree's 80th year celebration.

The brand new MARK209 website was recently launched which includes a "Kids Corner" that features puzzles and coloring pages for children 12 and under. You can visit MARK209 online at <u>www.MARK209.com</u>. You can also find the group on any number of social networks, including Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/mark209</u>), Twitter (<u>www.twit</u> <u>ter.com/mark209music</u>), and YouTube (http://www.youtube.com/mark209music).