

## Karen Peck and New River - 25th Anniversary

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**Artist: Karen Peck and New River**

**Project Title: 25th Anniversary Collector's Edition**

**Label: Daywind**

**Producers: □ Dottie Leonard Miller**

Several years ago, when I was in my teens, my parents took me to a Southern Gospel concert that featured a group called the Nelons. Singing with that group that evening was a young soprano singer, not much older than me, who was supremely talented. I enjoyed her singing that night for several more years with the Nelons. That young ladies name was Karen Peck. After Karen got married, and became Karen Peck Gooch, she left the Nelons and started a group called Karen Peck and New River. I can hardly believe that I just recently received the 25th Anniversary Collector's Edition project from Karen Peck and New River!

Well, we have obviously aged a little but I have completely enjoyed watching and listening to Karen Peck and New River for all of those 25 years. This two CD collection obviously includes several songs from the archives of Karen Pack and New River. However, this collection includes something else that is quite special. The CD have several tracks of interviews from Karen Peck and New River from over the years. Paul Heil, of the Gospel Greats, opens and closes the CD collection and there are a handful of other interview segments sprinkled throughout the recording.

Karen Peck and New River have had a lot of songs over the years that became favorites and this project includes most of them. Starting with "Bend In The River" and ending with "Pray Now" you will find many Karen Peck and New River hits in between. Songs like "When Jesus Passes By," "God Likes To Work," "Four Days Late," "Whispered Prayers," "Good Things Are Happening" and many more are included in this collection.

Karen Peck and New River have been turning out great songs for a quarter of a century now

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and they do not seem to be slowing down! I enjoyed every single song on this project and also the interview segments as well. It was wonderful to relive these songs and to be blessed by them again. My favorite songs from this project are "Christian In The House," "I Wanna Know How It Feels" and "Hold Me While I Cry." This collection is a great asset to anyone's Southern Gospel Music collection and it is a must have for every Karen Peck and New River fan! For more information on Karen Peck and New River, visit their website at [www.karenpeckandnewriver.com](http://www.karenpeckandnewriver.com).