

music with monte MINISTRIES

Nearly ten years ago God called me to church ministry and began to mold me into a solo Christian Singer-Songwriter/Kids & Family musician. Since that call I have served at three different churches as Director of Christian Education, Youth Director and a combination of the two. During the first years of that call I wrote the song “Jump for Jesus” which has been the flagship of my Christian kid’s ministry and continues to get kids jumping everywhere that I go. Throughout this decade of parish ministry God continued to mold me, and my music ministry began to take flight. In 2009 Music with Monte Ministries presented 150 concerts in a total of 8 states, nearly double the number of concerts played in 2008.

God is working here; He has created me for this ministry and I am determined to follow His call. My family and I feel that God is calling us to something big! Really big! Huge! Maybe even gargantuan! He is calling us to “**Jump** for Jesus” in a whole new way. God is calling us to trust Him to provide for our family through the music ministry that He has molded me for.

As of January 1st 2010 I will be saying goodbye to congregational ministry and I will become a full time Christian musician. This feels like a really, really big **Jump** to my family and me. There is some fear as we prepare to **Jump**. But it is that fear that will continue to stretch and grow our faith and trust of our Heavenly Father.

We are determined to grab onto the vision that God has called us to for this ministry and to hold on...

Sharing the Joy of Jesus Christ and encouraging families to become that hands and feet of God through action-packed music, smart acoustic worship rock, and engaging stories of faith.

All of you have been a part of the growing of this ministry in some way. Some of you have watched it from its inception and others have just recently become aware of Music with Monte Ministries. We wanted to give all of you an opportunity to take this **Jump** of faith with us.

Check out where the ministry is now at www.musicwithmonte.com

Music with Monte Ministries will be the sole income for our family; this truly is a **Jump** into faith. We believe that at some point this ministry may be self supporting. But the fact is that it currently is not. And while I feel as though I should be able to do it myself sometimes, I also know that our Heavenly Father calls us to trust and fully rely on Him. So once again we invite you to join us as we **Jump!**

We anticipate the cost of this ministry to be approximately \$75,000 in 2010. This includes our daily life and current ministry expenses as well as the recording, replication and release of at least one new CD, production of merchandise to support that CD/s to help increase the impact of the ministry, and vehicle maintenance and/or replacement. We expect that \$55,000 of this will be covered by the private music lessons that I teach and the remuneration from the concerts that I play, and profit from merchandise sales.

The remaining \$20,000 is where we are inviting you to take this **Jump** with us.

We would like to give you an opportunity to be a part of this ministry that God has called us to.

There are three ways you can **Jump** in and help support Music with Monte ministry

1. Holding our ministry in prayer
2. Financial gifts (*please see that attached giving form*) Financial gifts of any size are greatly appreciated and will help to increase the impact of this ministry
3. Needs list: If you would like to support the ministry in more tangible ways, this is a list of some of the things we are in need of.
 - Staples Rewards Checks or Coupons
 - Marriott Reward Points (for when we travel)
 - Gas Cards
 - First Class Stamps
 - 12 Passenger van
 - Trailer Hitch (and installation)
 - Small enclosed trailer, that does not require trailer brakes (5'x6' or so)
 - Someone skilled at Grant Writing
 - Vehicle Maintenance

Thank you again for being a part of Music with Monte Ministries and for prayerfully considering supporting this ministry in whatever way God is calling you to.

My family and I are going to do our best to live out Proverbs 5:3-6 "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight".

We are honored to have you joining us in the **Jump** and the journey.

Be Blessed,
Monte Leister & Family

(See the next page for the giving form)

Music with Monte Ministries Giving Form

(please print, complete, and include with your check)

First and foremost we want you to know that we will do our best to be good stewards of any and all financial gifts, as we will prayerfully seek God's guidance for this ministry.

(Please circle or write in the appropriate amount below)

▶ I would like to give \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$_____ per month

(Please choose an option and place a check on the appropriate line below)

Yes! Please send me a reminder e-mail each month

No Thanks, I'll remember to send my check each month.

▶ I would like to give a one-time gift of \$20 \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$_____

Name _____ Phone _____ - _____ - _____

E-mail _____ @ _____ . _____

(Please read and place a check on the line below)

▶ **Yes,** I understand that my financial gift is not tax deductible.

Music with Monte Ministries is not currently set up as a non-profit ministry. We are in conversation with professionals in the field that are helping us decide how to best proceed in this direction. We will let you know as soon as your financial gifts become tax deductible.

Mail the Above Giving Form to:
Music with Monte Ministries
480 Leister Lane
Westminster, MD 21158

We cannot express how thankful we are for your financial support and for your commitment to make this **Jump** with us.

Thank you!

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