

Kerryl Ann Frank is a local Christian recording artist who raises her family, is a nurse practitioner, and attends Parkway Fellowship in Katy



# Whispers in the Dark

**Kerryl Ann Frank's godly inspirations help her to write, perform, and record songs**

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One might say that Kerryl Ann Frank can do it all: She is a nurse, mother, and, to her surprise, recording artist. On Jan. 28, 2010, while Frank was prayerfully reading scripture, she began to hear a choir singing Psalm 90 accompanied by a symphonic orchestra in her head. "It was just beautiful," says Frank. "It was late, and everybody was asleep, so I quietly went to the piano and wrote it down because I didn't want to forget it."

## Music to Her Ears

Now looking back, Frank acknowledges that it would have been hard to forget the beautiful music, because it continually played in her head for weeks. She showed the sheet music to her pastor at Parkway Fellowship, who knew her musical training wasn't enough to have written it by herself. After expressing his amazement over the advanced musical experience usually required to produce such a piece, he fleshed it out a bit for the other instruments, and they presented it to the congregation. The song was a huge hit.

From that time on the music continued to flow. Just having the one song would have been good enough for Frank, but God had other plans. "They came almost daily," says Frank. "Every



time I sat down at the piano or when I was taking a walk or reading scripture they would come.”

Most of the time she hears the music before the words, but each song is always scripturally based. Frank has written so many now that no one is ever surprised when she comes up with a new one.

### **Family Influence**

Born in Garland, TX, Frank's family moved to Jackson, MS when she was 4, and stayed there throughout her school years. Growing up, Frank had a bit of stage fright, but her newfound talent has really helped her gain more confidence. Her parents have been a part of their church's musical team for years, so it was only natural for them to teach her the piano and how to sing at a very young age.

Frank always thought of them as phenomenal musicians and herself as just a mediocre performer. “My mother is a song writer and has been her whole life,” shares Frank. “I admire

that, but I never had a desire to do that too.” Church choirs, high school, and even college ensembles were the musical means that Frank chose to follow.

Shortly after college graduation Frank got married, and the two moved to Texas so her husband Ron could attend the University of Houston Law Center. Frank worked as a critical care nurse until her first child was born. They eventually added two more children to their home where Frank homeschooled them for 11 years. While music was something that Frank wanted to incorporate into her adult life, she was busy taking care of her family until that night in January that truly changed everything.

### **A Ministry of Music**

Currently, Frank is the one constant, as the only vocalist, in a revolving group of seven musicians who perform during weekly worship at Parkway Fellowship. She occasionally serves as a guest singer/ musician for other religious venues around the area.



Kerryl Ann Frank and her husband Ron have been blessed with three wonderful children, Forrest, Kori, and Mitchell





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Frank has been blessed to travel back to her home church in Mississippi where their full orchestra accompanied her as she sang that first song she was given, which she claims was an amazing experience for her. She has also traveled to multiple churches in the Houston and Katy areas as well as churches in Round Top and Wharton.

### The Unknown

This year, Frank has taken a leap into formerly unknown territory and made a CD of 12 of her songs. The album, *What Lies Within*, includes a foldout with the lyrics to the song as well as the scripture that inspired them. Frank promises more CDs in her future. KM



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### About Kerryl Ann's CD *What Lies Within*

Kerryl Ann Frank's debut *What Lies Within*, was released on Jan. 31, 2012. The 12 songs on the album are worship songs and ballads created for listeners of all ages. *What Lies Within* is a tribute to God and His faithfulness. You can hear samples and purchase Frank's songs at: [reverbnation.com/kerrylannfrank](http://reverbnation.com/kerrylannfrank).

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