

ValLimar Jansen

Blessed with an extraordinary voice, ValLimar Jansen is a highly regarded singer, composer and recording artist. She is educated and experienced as a university/college professor, a leader of worship and prayer and a workshop presenter at conferences across the United States and abroad.

Known especially for her work with contemporary Christian music, she sings a wide range of music, including spirituals and traditional, organ-based choral music. In 2005, with her husband, she released her first solo CD, *You Gotta Move*.

ValLimar Jansen has a long history of singing sacred music, starting from the age of five and professionally since the age of six. She received most of her training in music and performance at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and she holds professional degrees in the Arts from California State University and The University of California.

She has sung and toured professionally throughout the United States of America, St. Kitts, Jamaica, St. Maarten, Switzerland, France, Germany, Belgium, Italy, Scotland, Israel and Japan. She played the role of Beneatha, with the Broadway touring cast, in the European premier of *Raisin*. She went on to co-author a one-woman musical about the life of Ethel Waters that received a special commendation from the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Today, ValLimar tours regionally, nationally and internationally as an inspirational speaker, a storyteller, a psalmist, a song leader, a principal vocalist, and/or an emcee. You can hear ValLimar as a guest artist on a number of CDs, including: *Endless is Your Love*; *Make Us One*; *Clothed in Love*; *Christmas Child*; *Live It*; *That You May Have Life*; *Turn My Heart*; *Luke: The Feast of Life*; *Cross Culture*; *By Heart*, and *Another World*.

Maybe you're familiar with ValLimar from one of the many music festivals, theater festivals or the educational, liturgical and pastoral conferences she attends each year. She has served as a vocalist and/or workshop presenter at: the San Jose Jazz Festival; the Sacramento Jazz Festival; the Edinburgh Fringe Festival; the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival; the California Educational Theater Festival; the California State Thespians Festival and Festival for the Drama Teachers Association of Southern California. ValLimar composes all her music with the help of her husband, Frank. They live in southern California.