

AAG SONGWRITING GUIDELINES

Dear Songwriter,

Thank you for being a part of the AAG Songwriting Project. As you begin to compose material please use this template as a guideline to start your process. Keep in mind that we are writing targeted songs for specific audiences.

- 1. Pray Before anything, pray to God and ask for inspiration; for the Him to be your inspiration and to bless all that will be involved in the entire process. Consider spending time reading the Bible to have fresh words from the Lord.
- 2. Go Search this list for articles and pick out a few to read through. By the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we believe that God will direct you to the right article(s).
- 3. Read Read the article; if there are verses or passages of scripture that correlate with the article spend time to read the entire passage that they came from. Ask God to reveal Himself through His Word.
- 4. Stop Think of the types of people that will be searching for this information via the internet, globally, nationally, in other languages. Consider what they are looking for and what they might be experiencing.
- 5. Ask Ask God to give you insight into the hearts and minds of those who will be reading this information and what truth God would want to speak to them in tandem with the article.
- 6. Write Begin composing your song believing that God is working through you write. It could be a simple lyric, a single praise chorus, or a whole song.
- 7. Review Keep in mind these are meant to be paired with specific articles.
- 8. Practice Learn your song, sing with it, worship with it, and sing it as intercession.
- 9. Present Contact either Michael Burwell or myself and set up a listening/recording session and we'll get down to business!

Our hope is that through prayer and intercession the Lord will speak through the songs that you compose. In fact, right now there are intercessors praying for you asking for God's light to use your talents and to compose psalms and offerings unto Him on behalf of seekers and the lost.

"Heavenly Father, we pray in your Son's Name that Your truth would revealed, that strife would be relieved and Your servants would see Your favor as we work to bring You glory throughout the earth. Amen."

Many Blessings,

Julian M. Burwell, May 2014