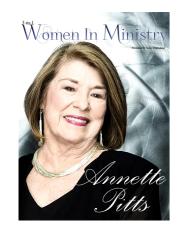


## Women In Ministry

## **Meet Annette Pitts**

## **Recording Artist**



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## Introduction

Annette travels full time with her husband Paul. Together they have became an unstoppable force. Annette was 7 years old when she caught her hand in between a roller and iron plate on a hot Ironright clothes ironer with 200 lbs pressure on her little hand. All of the tendons in her left hand were completely destroyed.

The family doctor told her parents, "She will never use that hand again." Annette's parents, H. T. and Evelyn Troup, were devastated by the news. Annette laid her head on her mother's lap as she cried out to God to save the hand of her little girl. God heard Evelyn's prayer and healed Annette's hand completely.

Annette plays the piano today to bring glory to the Great Physician, the one who heals us in our time of greatest need. You will enjoy the piano stylings of one of gospel music's best as she plays "Bless the Lord". Let her new recording bring healing to your life, hands and heart.





#### **Annette Pitts**

Ministry: Paul Pitts
Position: Pianist
Location: USA

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Annette Pitts is married to World International Opera Singer, PAUL PITTS. An accomplished pianist and recording artist, it is nothing short of a miracle that Annette is able to move her left hand let alone play the piano.

Her testimony is both powerful and moving and displays the completeness of God's healing power in our lives, if you only possess the faith to enable Him to accomplish His will. Annette's mother possessed such a faith and whenever her young daughter's hand was destroyed and rendered 'useless' by the horrific accident, she never lost faith that her daughter would somehow not only recover but be able to use her hand again one day.

Annette now glorifies His precious name through her playing as an individual and accompanying her husband whilst on tour. You will be edifyed by this amazing story of courage, faith, hope and love.

Karin McBride-Chenoweth



Annette Pitts has a brand new instrumental Piano CD now available in stores and online. Release date June 1st, 2014

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### Annette Pitts

# nterview



1. Hi Annette thank you so much for taking the time to answer my questions. You have a powerful tes-timony and God showed demonstrated His healing power in your life very early on please tell me about that?

No. I had been in church all my life and was privileged to have been raised in a Christian family. I was saved prior to having my hand burned.

2. You are instrumental (no pun intended), in Paul's life both personally and musically and you have a love of the piano, what first attracted you to this par-ticular instrument?

As far as I can remember, I always loved playing the piano. I grew up in a small town in Fitzgerald, GA. When I was 5 years old, one day my mother could not find me.

She called my Dad and when they could not locate me, they called the police. Finally, someone said, "Have you looked at Bradshaw's?" Bradshaw's was a store that sold appliances...stoves, refrigerators, etc, but in the back they had pianos for sale. They found me at Bradshaw's playing the pianos! My Mom and Dad had been married 67 years when my Dad passed away. My Dad always tried to get Mom whatever she wanted. At that time large Iron-rite commercial ironers were popular so Dad bought one for Mom. I was in the second grade and was ironing clothes on the ironer when my hand got caught in between the roller and extremely hot iron plate with 200 lbs pressure on the plate. I remember Mom running to the kitchen and laying my head in her lap while she prayed with a loud voice. Mom and Dad took me to the doctor. After the doctor had cut all the dead skin off my hand and thor-oughly bandaged it, he came out and told Mom and Dad that I had burned and destroyed completely all the tendons in my hand and that I would never be able to use my hand again.

We moved Mom and Dad in 1987 from Fitzgerald to Jacksonville, FL. Mom was cleaning out the bathroom cabinet when she called me in to see the bottle of medicine the doctor had given her to give me for pain. She did not ever have to give me a drop!! I play today because my Mom prayed and believed.



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#### 3. Did it ever occur to you that you would 'never play again'?

No. I really do not remember thinking about it. Mom and Dad did not tell me that I would not be able to play, so I just assumed that my hand was normal!!

4. You refer to the power of prayer and how your mother had a great faith and prayed for your healing for your hand; how big a part does prayer play in your life and do you believe that our mothers not only play a huge part in our lives growing up but can actually teach us to pray?

Prayer is the most important part of my life. Just knowing that I am able to communicate with the Creator of the universe and that He hears and cares makes a tremendous difference in my life. I feel that a mother has a huge responsibility in teaching...not only about things we need to know about life, but also the importance of prayer and knowing God as our personal Savior.

5. Annette you have just brought out a brand new Piano CD, which is available online at Paul's website and in stores called 'Bless the Lord' what did you love the most about creating this CD?

I really enjoyed working with my Producer and the gifted technicians. My family has asked for years for me to make a CD. Knowing that I would finally have a CD was wonderful.

#### 6. Give us a sneak peek into a day in the life of Annette Pitts?

Well, during tax season...I am a CPA...I get up early, go to work, get home late, eat, have devotions, sleep, get up early, go to work.....etc!! After tax season, Paul and I have devotions, spend time at the gym, practice..of course!!...and play golf when the weather permits. We also enjoy going to ball games....ANY KIND!! When we are on the road, I always enjoy reading books to Paul...the Bible, self-help books, devotionals, etc. We enjoy having discussions about various subjects....especially beliefs relating to the Bible and it's teachings!!

### 7. Tell us about how you met Paul?

I met Paul 40 years ago in Jacksonville, FL. He came as minister of music to University Boulevard Church of the Nazarene where I was the pianist. I knew his first wife, Marilyn. She was a beautiful and wonderful lady. I knew how much Paul suffered during the time Marilyn was so sick and after she passed away. I played for him numerous times in those 40 years and I also prepared his taxes during that time. When I met Paul in 1974, I was married. at the time However, the marriage ended after 10 years. The Lord blessed me with two wonderful girls, Michele and Carla.

In 2012, I was minister of music and needed a speaker for choir retreat so I asked Paul to come and give his testimony. He came, spoke at the retreat and then sang the next morning at our church. That afternoon, the girls and I invited him to watch a ball game with us. Remember... I had been divorced 39 years by now and had said for years that there was not a man on earth good enough for me!! I had also gone back to school, obtained my Master's degree in accounting, passed the CPA exam, bought and grew a prosperous CPA firm, built and paid for a nice home, travelled extensively with my girls. It was my intention to NEVER marry again. However, that Sunday afternoon while the girls and I were enjoying a nice visit with Paul, the Lord opened my heart and filled it with a love beyond understanding for Paul...a love like I had never felt before. NO ONE knew it except for me...at least for a couple of weeks! Paul called a couple of weeks later. When he called, I asked if he had feelings for me!! The silence on the other end of the phone was deafening!! FINALLY...he said, "Well, yes...... just was not going to say anything yet!" I said, "OK"!!! From that time on, we have been inseparable!!

I knew without a shadow of a doubt that if God would open my heart to love again, He would help and bless us both in the ministry He gave Paul years before. To see God's hand in our lives constantly amazes me and gives me the assurance that we are in the center of His will. Our life together has been the most exciting time of our lives. We both consider it a privilege and honor to serve our great Saviour!



