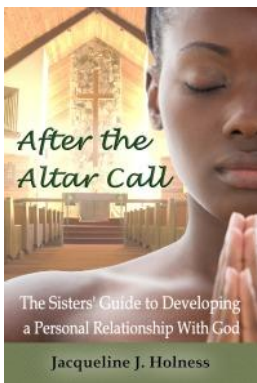


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After the Altar Call

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Journalist Jacqueline J. Holness interviews Christian celebrities about their relationship with God in new book “After the Altar Call: The Sisters’ Guide to Developing a Personal Relationship With God”



Atlanta, Ga., August 2011 – “The View” co-host **Sherri Shepherd**, **Valorie Burton**, life coach, author and co-host on the Emmy award- winning show “Aspiring Women” and the former co-host of the national daily television program, “The Potter’s Touch” with Bishop T.D. Jakes; and **Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie**, the 117th elected and consecrated bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the first woman elected to Episcopal office in over 200 years of A.M.E. history and 21 other women reveal their life-changing stories in the “After the Altar Call: The Sisters’ Guide to Developing a Personal Relationship With God.”

Penned by Jacqueline J. Holness, a seasoned journalist of 15 years, this book is a fresh, real and relevant how-to manual for black Christian women who desire to move past the “church speak” and into an intimate relationship with their Creator. What makes this book unique from other “relationship with God” books is that this book is written from a black perspective and spans a variety of issues typically not included in one book – from being thrice-married to leaving the Jehovah’s Witnesses.

In addition, Holness interviewed these women about timely topics including surviving breast cancer, coping after a loved one has died in a war and dealing with chronic illnesses such as lupus. Also, some of the women have had amazing experiences like touring with Beyoncé and the original Destiny’s Child, winning a car on “The Oprah Winfrey Show” and being an “American Idol” finalist.

“I tracked down black women from across the globe to discover their take on what happens after the altar call – the good and the not-so-good, the hilarious and the serious and the heavenly and the earthly,” says Holness. “But this book does not only offer their experiences, it also offers a road map for readers who want to emulate the spiritual success these women have experienced while avoiding their obstacles and detours.”

“After the Altar Call: The Sisters’ Guide to Developing a Personal Relationship With God” will be released in February 2012 by Nevaeh Publishing LLC.

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