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# THE RYKERT TRIO

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The Rykert Trio is a unique blend of family harmonies who sing contemporary and southern gospel, in addition to power anthems and classical hymns. The group has been singing and ministering in churches and performing arts centers throughout California, Arizona, Oregon and Washington since 2016.

The Rykert Trio has emerged triumphantly from devastating news they received in 2015. Joe, (father) was diagnosed with Stage 4 Lymphoma. After the rigors of chemotherapy, a bone marrow transplant, radiation treatments and with many friends and family praying for him, his cancer is now in remission. The three of them are soloists in their own right, but had never performed together as a family group before. Joe had singing commitments lined up, but didn't know if he'd have the strength to do them (after chemo, etc.). Joe asked his kids to back him up and thus the Trio began. Joe and the kids felt the calling of the Lord to minister and share with others their testimonies and God's faithfulness working in and through their lives.

The Trio's first album "Sometimes It Takes a Mountain" was released October, 2017. The Rykert Trio sincerely hopes and prays that their story and their music will encourage all to trust God with what ever challenges they may be facing. Their second album, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" was released in April, 2018. You can find their first two projects on all musical platforms for downloads and streaming. In 2019, the trio produced and recorded their first of all original music. This album features the title song, "Healed" written by their dear friend, Joey Coray, including many more powerful songs written by some of gospel music's greatest song writers today.

Joe, who is classically trained has sung numerous tenor (opera: Townsend Opera and musical theatre: Modesto Performing Arts) leads for over 30 years. Joe has been a featured soloist at First Baptist Church Modesto, Modesto Covenant Church, Immanuel Christian Reformed Church (Ripon Oratorio Chorus - Messiah), Modesto and Merced Symphonies, and more. He's sung for President George Bush, Barbara Bush, Colin Powell, Ernest Gallo and many other dignitaries. Joe is also a father to five girls, one son and is married to his wife Tammy; who he and the kids call "Momager" as she plays a huge role in keeping them organized.

Noel grew up in a musical home where voice lessons were given daily, attending countless Operas and Musicals. She has been involved in music her entire life. She has a natural God-given talent and has sung in several musicals, starting at the age of 6 and has also performed as a soloist for several years. Besides singing, Noel is a hairstylist, mother to three beautiful children and is married to her husband, Michael.

Joseph also grew up in a musical family and is now classically trained in voice and guitar and holds a Bachelor's degree of music from Azusa Pacific University (2014). He had the opportunity of touring worldwide with Broadway's Phantom from 'Phantom of the Opera', Jeremy Stolle and his Broadway band 'The Unreachable Stars'. He has performed lead roles in many Opera and Music Theater



productions and has toured as a primary tenor soloist with several groups from APU. He also is an alumnus of Interlochen Center for the Arts, Michigan. Now, Joseph has dedicated his time to becoming a Worship Pastor. He was the Associate Worship Director with Big Valley Grace of Modesto, CA for two and a half years. As of August 2022, he accepted the position of Worship Pastor at Cornerstone Community Church in Manteca, CA.

The Rykert Trio's ultimate goal is to share the gospel of Jesus Christ through their unique story and music. They endeavor to bring hope to others either battling cancer or facing any health challenges.

## **Discography**

The Rykert Trio, 2017 - Sometimes It Takes a Mountain

The Rykert Trio, 2018 - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

The Rykert Trio, 2019 - Healed

## **Honors**

AUDIENCE FAVORITE - Valley Talent Project - 2016

GRAND PRIZE WINNER - Valley Talent Project - 2016

WESTERN STATES GOSPEL MUSIC ASSOCIATION - 2018

In August of 2016, the Trio won grand prize and audience favorite awards at the Gallo Center for the Arts talent show (The Valley Talent Project), in which one of the judges was Robert Ulrich (casting director of the Glee Project, Quantico and more). This has lead them to many concert bookings in churches and concert venues - Gallo Center for the Arts, Great Western Fan Festival and the President's Inaugural Ball at CSU Stanislaus. In 2022, they appeared at the Great Western Fan Festival for their fourth time, and have already been invited to be apart of the evening program, along with other groups such as The Hoppers, Greater Vision, The Collingsworth Family, Joseph Habedank, Triumphant Quartet, Legacy Five and more.