

PRESS RELEASE

Bakersfield Churches Unite for City-Wide Concert and Conference

On September 27 and 28, the Steadfast Bible Conference will present *Sing!* Bakersfield, the beginning of the West Coast tour with Getty Music featuring a multi-church choir to accompany internationally renowned modern hymn writers Keith and Kristyn Getty in concert.



The *Sing!* Bakersfield event will begin with the concert on Friday, September 27 at Valley Baptist Church's Fruitvale Campus, and continues Saturday, September 28 with a regional summit with sessions and music at Laurelglenn Bible Church. Saturday's program will also feature pastor and radio personality Philip De Courcy of Know the Truth Radio and seminar topics from Keith and Kristyn Getty. Registration options vary from a Concert-only ticket on Friday night only to a full package for Friday and Saturday, with a VIP upgrade available for those wanting to meet the band in a special pre-concert reception.

This will mark the first time in recent history that like-minded churches in Bakersfield will unite to form a city-wide choir. Pastor Darren Wiebe of Grace Bible Church, who will conduct the choir, had the opportunity to participate in a similar choir at the *Sing!* Conference in Nashville earlier this year. "Singing with the Gettys in a massive choir was an electrifying, worshipful experience. It will be a thrill to bring that excitement to Bakersfield and to lead this unprecedented combined choir."

The *Sing!* Conference is part of a multi-year initiative from Keith & Kristyn Getty centered around congregational singing which began as a book in 2017. This conference exists to help pastors, leaders and musicians build a Biblical understanding and creative vision for the congregational singing in their churches. Keith Getty states that, "our desire is to encourage churches towards a deeper, more dynamic view of theology, artistry and mission in congregational singing."

More information and tickets for the *Sing!* Conference are available at singbakersfield.com.

- **What:** *Sing!* Bakersfield presented by the Steadfast Bible Conference
- **Who:** Internationally-renown modern hymn writers Keith and Kristyn Getty, and a multi-church city-wide choir
- **When:** Friday, September 27 and Saturday, September 28
- **Where:** Friday concert at Valley Baptist Church (4800 Fruitvale Ave); Saturday conference and worship at Laurelglenn Bible Church (2801 Ashe Road)
- **How** to purchase tickets: singbakersfield.com
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