



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Q: What is Don's music style?**

**A: Don's musical style is relaxed, yet powerful. He seems to have the ability to sing through the trumpet, meaning that the songs communicate to the heart. While there is sometimes a hint of a relaxed jazz style, it is not done in a way that distracts from the message of the song. His selections include familiar hymns as well as semi contemporary worship songs. He is also a gifted singer and mixes vocal with his trumpet ministry.**

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**Q: What kind of a church normally asks Don for a concert?**

**A: One of the things that sets Don apart from many other musicians is his ability to go to a variety of church settings. Because of his years of travel and thousands of concerts, he is sensitive to the needs and expectations of the various church and denominational settings. All churches and denominations enjoy his concert ministry. Churches that do not allow instrumental sound tracks should not schedule Don for a concert unless they can provide an orchestra and an arranger to transcribe his arrangements.**

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**Q: Is there anywhere or any venue where Don will not go?**

**A: Don plays the trumpet for one main reason; it is his "door opener" to share the Gospel. He will go to most any venue to do this, from large concert halls to mud huts in the Amazon. If you are looking for background music for a banquet or just looking for entertainment, he is not what you are looking for. He shares the Gospel by sharing testimony and stories from his travels around the world. The concert will have a missions theme. His desire is to encourage the believer and to reach the lost.**

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**Q: What church denominations does Don do concerts with?**

**A: Don does not limit himself or the ministry to any particular denomination. He is willing to go to any church that will open its doors to his ministry. See the referral sheet for comments from pastors from churches he has visited.**

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**Q: What are the costs involved in bringing Don to our church or event for a concert?**

***A: First and foremost, this is a ministry for Don that he sincerely believes the Lord has called him to. He is very careful to not allow money to dictate what churches he will visit. He simply asks each church to do their best. Most concerts are done on a Love Offering basis. Reimbursement for expenses is requested, but not always mandatory. In most cases, if 2 or 3 concerts can be scheduled in the same area, the expenses can be shared by the various churches. In some churches or in a banquet situation a "Love Offering" is not always possible. If an honorarium is required by the church or organization, this is certainly possible. In this case, simply contact Don and he will discuss the fee with you.***

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**Q: OK! I want to schedule Don for a concert. What do I do?**

***A: Take a look at the schedule on this web site and look for open dates or look for a specific date to see if the one you have in mind is available. Contact Don with your request. Don will confirm the date with you and will send you a "Letter of Confirmation" by email. You will fill in the information on the Letter of Confirmation and fax or mail the completed form back to him. A poster, publicity photo, press release and bulletin insert can be downloaded from this web site. Don's email is don@donshire.com. The office phone number is 715-484-2017. If no one answers, please leave a message. Even when traveling, our messages are checked on a regular basis.***