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# Ballet On Wheels Dance School & Company Hosts 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Dance In His Name" Praise Dance Showcase & Competition

**Memphis, TN** – Ballet On Wheels Dance School & Company is hosting its 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Dance in His Name" Praise Dance Showcase & Competition. The national liturgical dance competition will be held Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 4:00 PM at the Buckman Performing Arts Center, located at 60 Perkins Ext., Memphis, TN, 38116

The local, community-based dance school and non-profit organization is still on its "quest for the best" national praise dance teams to compete in this unique dance competition.

"Dance in His Name" (DIHN) is dedicated to showcasing the art and inspiration behind praise dancing, as well as giving participants a way to praise the Lord, and challenge dance groups to extend their worship through movement. It is open to all praise dance styles and genres, including Lyrical, Contemporary, Mimes, Christian Step Teams, African, Classical, Jazz and Hip Hop.

"DIHN is a great platform to showcase the artistry in praise dancing to the general public. Without this competition, this unique style of dancing is most times limited to Church worship," said Chauniece Thompson, Executive Artistic Director. "DIHN gives praise dancing a larger voice and rightfully so."

General admission tickets are \$15 and team registration will remain open until the day of the competition. Each team will be scored on their overall performance in a variety of categories. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded. The grand prize winner will receive \$750.

For more information or to register your team, visit <a href="www.danceinhisname.org">www.danceinhisname.org</a> or call 901.870.4348.

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## About "Dance in His Name"

Founded in 2005, "Dance in His Name" is a national showcase and competition that allows praise dance teams the opportunity to unify via movement and compete in the

name of dance. The competition has awarded over \$9,500 in cash prizes to date. Over 60 dance teams have participated in the event arriving from all parts of the country.

## **About Ballet On Wheels Dance School & Company**

Ballet On Wheels Dance School & Company is a non-profit, pre-professional and community-based classical ballet school and youth dance company. Students learn the fundamentals of dance while developing qualities that make for a successful and happy life: self-discipline, perseverance, creativity and more. For more information on Ballet On Wheels Dance School & Company, visit <a href="www.balletonwheels.org">www.balletonwheels.org</a>.