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## BIOGRAPHY

**THE MAN** - I was born in Meriden, Connecticut and started playing trumpet at the age of 10. I began my solo work as a competing trumpeter in the Connecticut Fife and Drum Corp. and won my first state championship at the age of 12. I stayed undefeated for the next five years retiring my title with 92 gold medals and holding the state championships in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New York.

During my teenage years I had the honor of being named the "Top Trumpeter of the Year in America". I had won many awards and accomplishments including sitting first chair in All-State Orchestra for four years, first chair in McDonald's All-American Band, Connecticut's Young Artist award, John Philip Sousa award, America's "Who's Who", and many division titles.

I also had a great time touring Europe as a soloist with the Hartford Symphony Orchestra. I was accepted at the New England Conservatory of Music and Hartt College of Music, however, chose to go on as a soloist. My professional career has consisted of playing in the back-up bands with Michael McDonald, Bette Midler, Diana Ross, B. B. King, in the pit orchestras at Radio City Music Hall, the Broadway Theater, as well as the privilege of performing at the White House.

**THE TESTIMONY** - My professional career ended due to a five-year battle with cocaine. I even sold my trumpets to support my addiction. I had tried drugs and alcohol, but it only led me to the end of a bad and bumpy road.

Every day for two years my sister faithfully prayed for me and for my salvation. Those prayers were answered one night in New York City when I lost my best friend to an overdose. The feeling of loneliness overwhelmed me as I realized all I had lost. It was as if my world and heart had exploded, and there was no escape from the intense pain. I remember wishing I could just die.

That night while sitting on the floor of an elevator, I felt something tug at my heart. I thought of my sister saying, "I'm praying for you." Several times, I heard a voice in my mind and heart say, "I love you." I wondered, "Is this God?" I yelled out loud, "You love me? Why? I have nothing left to my life. I have nothing to give you. Why would you love a nothing like me?"

At that moment I heard in my spirit, "From nothing, I created all that there is; all that you can see. I will take the nothing you feel you are, the nothing you feel you have, and will give you the biggest miracle you could ever envision."

Those words began to penetrate my mind and my thoughts. I cried out, "Ok, if this is you, God, I will trust in Your words." Little did I know that his Word is Truth, and that Truth will set you free!

The Lord provided the miracle He promised. He let me live and gave me everlasting life. He gave back my gift of music... with His touch - His love - His life.



## ENGAGEMENTS

### SOLO APPEARANCES

The White House - Washington DC  
Macy's Day Parade - New York, NY  
Tournament of Roses Parade - Pasadena, CA  
Radio City Music Hall - New York, NY  
The Broadway Theater - New York, NY  
Red Rocks Amphitheater - Denver, Colorado  
Good Speed Opera House - Connecticut  
Chick-fil-A Convention – Disney World

### BACK-UP BANDS

Michael McDonald  
Bette Midler  
Dianna Ross  
B. B. King  
Tom Jones  
Dionne Warwick

Sandy Patti  
Larnell Harris  
Dave Boyer  
Al Denson  
Ron Kenoly

### CHURCH APPEARANCES

Phoenix First Assembly of God - Phoenix, AZ  
Orlando Christian Center - Orlando, FL  
Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church - Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Queens Way Cathedral - Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
First Baptist Church - Jacksonville, FL  
Church on the Way - Van Ives, CA  
Oral Roberts University - Tulsa, OK  
Cathedral of Notre Dam - Quebec, Montreal  
Word of Faith - St. Katherine's, Ontario, Canada  
Rock Church - Virginia Beach, VA  
Mt. Perrin Church of God - Atlanta, GA  
Cornerstone Bible Church (Rhema) - Dothan, AL  
Shadow Mountain Community Church - San Diego, CA  
Horizon Community Church - San Diego, CA

### FOREIGN APPEARANCES

Romania  
Costa Rica  
Jamaica  
Canada

Amsterdam, Holland  
Russia  
Puerto Rico  
Brazil



## REFERENCES

“Dear Friend . . . I am writing this letter to express my appreciation of any my recommendation for the ministries of David O’Neill. Rarely have I been as excited to recommend a music ministry as I am to encourage you to consider the unique ability that God has gifted David with. I have seen and listened to many trumpet players over the years but David’s great playing ability, combined with his personality and readiness to minister to a wide-ranging audience, make him a pleasure to work with in any ministry endeavor. His varied horns and blended repertoire can make for a wonderful evening of music and you should ask him to play his fast-paced number on his little trumpet for a fun-filled time. In addition to his music, his humble spirit and willingness to openly share from his heart are valuable gifts. His ministry has positively impacted lives here at Phoenix First Assembly, and from all reports I have gathered, he has been equally effective in many churches and groups he has played for. I consider it a privilege and a pleasure to recommend David who is my friend and a man dedicated to furthering the kingdom of God.”

*TOMMY BARNETT, S. PASTOR, PHOENIX FIRST ASSEMBLY*

“I would like to recommend to you David O’Neill and “Mighty Trumpet Ministries.” David is, without a doubt, one of the finest musicians that ever came to F. G. T. His music and personal testimony inspired our congregation to believe God for His miracle-working power. We saw the altar of the church filled with individuals believing God to do the impossible in their lives. Again, David handled the moving of the Holy Spirit with tremendous sensitivity to God. I count David one of my personal friends and encourage you to allow the blessing of God to flow through his life to the people in your community that you have been praying for.”

*- VICTOR GRIECO, SR. PASTOR, FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE.*

“David O’Neill has been a guest on the Praise The Lord television program on numerous occasions. We’ve enjoyed David’s anointed ministry and outstanding trumpet playing. David’s ministry touches the heart and blesses and inspires our viewers. We are glad to recommend him to you.”

*- LAURA MASSEY, ASSOCIATE PRODUCER, PRAISE THE LORD T.B.N.*

“David O’Neill is a great trumpeter and musician. We were very fortunate to have him perform in Denver, Colorado. David’s musical abilities are superb. Further, he is excited about sharing his gifts as a ministry for Christ. We would heartily recommend this young man as an outstanding performer.”

*- TOM PHILLIPS, CRUSADE DIRECTOR, BILLY GRAHAM*

“I’m writing on behalf of David O’Neill, a talented and gifted Christian minister. I’m glad to recommend him to you, knowing he will challenge and inspire you and your people through his wonderful trumpet. He is not only an extraordinary talent on the trumpet, but he is also a minister through singing and sharing his testimony of God’s working his life. David’s ministry reaches and is appropriate for all ages. I highly recommend David O’Neill and encourage you to consider him as an outstanding performer.”

*- DON MARSH, COMPOSER AND ARRANGER*

“David O’Neill was at Parkwood Gospel Temple for a Sunday evening service of praise and worship in ministry and song, giving his personal testimony and sharing God’s Word. I received many reports from members of our pastoral staff and the congregation that they enjoyed him immensely and would like us to have him back again. We would highly recommend David and his ministry to you and your congregation as he ministers both in word and song.”

*- REV. GEORGE A. CARROLL, SENIOR PASTOR, PARKWOOD GOSPEL TEMPLE*

“To Whom It May Concern: David O’Neill is one of the most extraordinary combinations of musical talent, singing, and preaching abilities to be found anywhere in the world.”

*- HARALD BREDESEN, CHAIRMAN AND FOUNDER, PRINCE OF PEACE FOUNDATION*



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## FACTS

### NATIONAL ACCLAIM

David has been blessed with national acclaim and has developed love for, as well as a spiritual and emotional bond with his audience. David has played with such artists as Larnell Harris, Dave Boyer, Sandi Patti, and many others. In the secular industry, David played in back-up bands for Diana Ross, Dionne Warwick, and B. B. King. David also played in the Broadway musical “The Wiz” and at Radio City Music Hall.

David makes approximately 200 appearances annually in church meetings, prisons, AIDS centers, inner cities, conventions, school programs, fairs, conferences, concerts and more. David has touched lives around the world.

### BLENDING TALENTS WITH DYNAMIC MINISTRY

David O’Neill is an exciting addition to the Gospel Music industry, and has a powerful message to share with the world through his dynamic ministry with testimony and song.

During a presentation, David combines singing, playing, as well as praise and worship. His vocal talents, trumpet artistry and humor blend together to create openness in hearts that allows the Holy Spirit to take control. David has been a music director and a praise & worship leader, and understands the importance of following the leading of the Holy Spirit.

### GOD’S TOOL

Performing and available for crusades, concerts, mini-concerts, revivals, conventions or youth groups, David has a full background and is a winning tool for worship. Your choir and/or musicians can be a part of his ministry by having him as a guest in your church.

### NATIONAL RELEASES AVAILABLE

David has three national releases available: **“Oracle,”** **“Triumphant,”** and **“The Hymn Project.”** All three recordings were arranged and produced by award-winning Arranger/Producer Don Marsh. These ageless arrangements consist of modern, patriotic, and traditional styles of music with the artistic excellence for which David is known. To see more information, visit David’s web site at [www.davidoneill.com](http://www.davidoneill.com) .