

*A Biographical Sketch:*  
*Dr. Lessilee Jones*



Lessilee Jones is an experienced organizational leader, educational professional, and entrepreneur. With her wide-range of diverse of scholarly, entrepreneurial, as well as creative arts related attributes, Lessilee proves to be a leader that knows no boundaries. By implementing an approach to leadership that is creatively “out of the box”, her life’s ambition is provoke others to utilize their talents and abilities optimally. Lessilee Jones’ diverse background has granted her to speak in various forums to drive and encourage others into powerful pursuit of purpose.





## MUSICIAN

At the age four, the gift of song was discovered by Lessilee's mother as she was asked to sing in a pre-school promotional exercise event. One year later, Lessilee was found playing "Mary Had a Little Lamb" on a child-sized piano at another school event. It was from then on that she could be singing at various local talent shows, performances, weddings, and other special events. Dubbed as "The little girl with the big voice", Lessilee captivated audiences everywhere! By age 12, her voice began to grab attention of the ears of music executives abroad and doors began to open for her record. At 13 years old, she was flown to New York on multiple occasions to compile a musical portfolio for Sony/550 Music. The project contained contributions from music pros such as Poke of TrackMasterz, Billy Lawrence, Prince Markie Dee & Soul Convention (Doug Watts, Alvin West), and Glen "G-Wiz" Parrish of Heavy D. & The Boyz. To date, Lessilee Jones continues to mesmerize audiences with her gift of song as she continues to record as well as sing at various venues. She also shares her passion for music as she has founded and directs, *Beyond the Norm Music, L.L.C.* ([www.beyondthenormmusic.com](http://www.beyondthenormmusic.com))—a music company dedicated to perpetuating and expanding musical endeavors through professional training, consultation, network opportunities, and various workshop series.

## ENTREPRENEUR

Lessilee Jones has an uncanny ability to see the unseen, to capture the opportunities ahead, and seize the opportunities available—all which make a formula for successful entrepreneurship. Within short spans of time, Lessilee has created opportunities for her organizational leadership to be displayed. Derived from her various professional experiences and innate gifts in organizational development, Ms. Jones has managed to give birth to impactful organizations each in their respectful arenas.

Organizations founded by Jones include:

- Beyond the Norm Music, L.L.C.
- Editorial Solutions, L.L.C. (Formerly known as L. Jones Editing)
- Instructional Course Designs, L.L.C.
- Camden University and Graduate School of Theology (co-founder)





## **ECCLESIAL MINISTRY**

Lessilee sincerely believes that GOD has given every person various gifts and callings. In essence, every individual has an important role to play. Lessilee Jones has fully accepted her call, as an individual, to various areas of ministry of the Gospel. As an ordained minister, teacher, prophetic psalmist, songwriter, and worship leader, Lessilee Jones serves in the Kingdom with purpose and passion. During her collegiate studies as a music major, Lessilee also attained a minor with elective studies in Church Music. Lessilee had experienced a radical encounter with Jesus Christ and the Gospel in her teens; Her life was impacted forever. She began to discover her call to worship, ministry, songwriting, and evangelism. As she continues in the Faith, Minister Lessilee Jones has maintained her commitment to honor and glorify GOD with every aspect of her life. Minister Lessilee Jones continues to yield her life to the service of God as an active member and leader at The Lion's Den Missions Base (Fort Lauderdale, FL), a ministry designed to equip, support, and mobilize Believers of Christ into their assignments. She also can be found doing additional ministry as she is a well-regarded and noted speaker, panelist, and musical guest minister. Minister Lessilee is on a mission to share and impart her experiences in Christ by way of trainings, workshops, musical events, and additional ecclesial endeavors. Jones shares, *"I want to share everything I have learned, everything I have been through, and everything that I have received with others. I want to leave this place [earth] with a life emptied out before God."*

## **SCHOLAR**

Hailing from a family of educators and educational professionals, Lessilee Jones was always exposed to education or involved in institutions of learning. Always having a passion for learning, Lessilee found herself acquiring degrees in the areas of Music (B.A.), Teaching & Learning (M.S.), Educational Leadership (Ed.D.), and Organizational Leadership (Ed.D.). She is committed to ongoing learning efforts by constantly exposing herself to conferences, growth & learning opportunities, certification programs, trainings, and engagement attendance for various arenas.





## **EDUCATIONAL LEADER**

For over a decade, Ms. Jones has served in the arena of education as she helped to cultivate the lives around her through inspiration, innovation, and compassion. During her journey of service in education, Lessilee has taught grade levels from Pre-K to College levels. Ms. Jones prides herself on her ability to touch hearts and minds through carefully-crafted instruction and the art of mastered motivation. She could always be found quoting her favorite educational mantra, “You can’t touch their heads until you have first touched their hearts”. She believes in educators and educational professionals possessing the heart to match their art—no matter what subject or what area of study. Continuing in this spirit, Lessilee managed to receive leadership opportunities as she fulfilled roles as an educational facilitator, a school-based leader, and an instructional designer as well as content specialist for various educational programs and institutions. Ms. Jones currently serves on the Board for Camden University and Graduate School of Theology ([www.camdenuniversity.org](http://www.camdenuniversity.org)) as she has served as one of its leading founders and program director.

## **MENTOR**

Dr. Lessilee Jones has engaged in multiple mentorship endeavors. From children to adolescents—from teenagers to adults—she has managed to make a mark in the lives of those around her. Dr. Jones has mentored countless students as she consulted with high school seniors in their post-graduation endeavors and collegiate experiences thereafter. She has also participated in countless programs and partnership that encourage mentorship efforts including The Life Engineering Initiative (The Lion’s Den Missions Base) and The WILL Make It Foundation (Fort Lauderdale, FL).





## *Booking Requests*

To request Lessilee Jones as a guest, please contact by email: [ljones@beyondthenormmusic.com](mailto:ljones@beyondthenormmusic.com)

### **The request should include:**

- Event and venue information (i.e. dates, times, location, event website)
- Organization Information (contact information)
- Target Audience and Event Objectives
- Responsibilities Requested by Ms. Jones Upon Participation
- Any Additional Related Information