## E and his "Little Girls" Change Father's Day Forever

Dr. Gerald Durley, Pastor of Providence Missionary Baptist Church shouts, "I'm going to call my daughter right now...she'll love this!"

Afeni Shakur, President of the Tupac Shakur Foundation hugs E and says, "Thank you for writing such a beautiful song...it's so needed!"

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Father's Day will never be the same. Sure, every year some father will get an ugly tie or a t-shirt 3 pack, but from now on there will be a special song that he will hum as he thinks about his "little girl."



As part of an international Father's Day promotion many fraternities, sororities, and social organizations celebrated this special day by sending the link for E. Walter Smith's song, "Little Girl," to all of their members and supporters. A few of the organizations even featured the song on their web site. This beautiful duet features a performance by 16 year old **Star** Search finalist and Hal Jackson's International Talented Teen winner, Tatiana McConnico.

It's the first song in recent times where both the father and daughter speak of the magic of the relationship that they share. A lyrical masterpiece placed on a musical canvass that creates images of timeless memories, "Little Girl," offers a

lot more than just "butterfly kisses." If for just a few moments it let's you feel...it's lets you heal... and allows you to experience the joy of unconditional love.

"Father's Day week was incredible," says Smith. "I invited a lot of organizations to participate in this promotion and the response that I got was great. The most amazing thing about it was how quickly many of these groups were able to embrace the idea and which organizations participated. As with every promotion like this I made a short list of "slam dunk" organizations that didn't even return my call and I was blown away when other organizations came on board immediately."

Here is a list of some of the groups that participated in the promotion:

Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc. http://www.kappaalphapsi1911.com/index.asp

Iota Phi Theta http://www.iotaphitheta.org

Interactive Dad Magazine http://www.interactivedad.org

Fatherville <a href="http://www.fatherville.com">http://www.fatherville.com</a>

National Partnership for Community Leadership http://www.npcl.org

Arizona Fathers and Family Coalition <a href="http://www.azffc.org">http://www.azffc.org</a>

National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus <a href="http://www.nbccongress.org">http://www.nbccongress.org</a>

The week of Father's Day, Smith and his "little girls" went on a mini tour. Last Thursday the Judge Mablean Ephriam Foundation (Divorce Court) & Tupac Shakur Foundation's Honoring Unsung Fathers (H.U.F.) Awards (www.hufawards.com) invited E and Tati to perform at their V.I.P reception at Atlanta's City Hall. It was a star studded event hosted by Suchita Vadlamani of FOX 5 Morning News & Good Day Atlanta. After the performance she said, "I'm a Daddy's girl...look at all the tears in this room!"

Later that evening Smith debuted 15 year old ballerina, DeAnna Jones, at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual International Fatherhood Conference. (http://npcl.org/IFC2006DetailedDraftofSchedule1.doc)

"Thank you so much for your performance...you and your little girl (DeAnna Jones) made this years conference extra special," said Dr. Jeffery Johnson CEO of National Partnership for Community Leadership." (www.NPCL.org)



Smith hosted **The Twinkie Awards (www.TheTwinkieAwards.com**) on Saturday where he and his "little girl" sang and danced their way into the hearts of all the attendees as part of his special Father's Day presentation. Then, to cap the week off, "Little Girl" debuted on New York City's top radio station WBLS - 107.5FM on Father's Day!

"I first sat down to write, "Little Girl," on my sister's wedding night. My dad said that 'he prayed he would live long enough to dance with her on her wedding day,' and I thought this song would be a good Father/Daughter dance song. But, since we recorded it, the meaning and the message of the song has taken on a life of its own. Fathers who have not talked to their daughters in years are inspired to give them a call and start the healing process. Organizations that I have never heard of are asking us to perform at their events. "Little girls" of all ages are sending me emails and calling to let me know how the song brings back great memories...it's amazing. I feel so blessed to have been able to co-write this with Glen Perdew and have both Tati McConnico and DeAnna Jones as part of this project because they help to bring that moment that God put into my spirit to life," says Smith.

Although the June 18<sup>th</sup> has come and gone, Father's Day is everyday. For a limited time you can still get your FREE download of "Little Girl" at <a href="http://www.TheLittleGirlSong.com">http://www.TheLittleGirlSong.com</a>

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