



GREAT STORYTELLER: WRITING, SPEECH, SONG

Dr. Alonia Parks is an inspirational speaker and vocalist, accomplished journalist, public relations professional, spiritual leader, and certified life coach. She is highly endowed with the gift of communication. Positively impacting lives since 1985, she is CEO of **Dream 2 Destiny Enterprises**, an Atlanta-based corporate communications and human development company committed to “clarifying, chronicling and celebrating YOUR success.”

As servant leader/pastor of **Dream to Destiny Ministries** (since 2016), a Christ-centered, nondenominational, virtual church based in Atlanta, Georgia, she helps people live victorious lives through God’s Word. She was licensed to preach in 2000 by Rev. Dr. Curtis L. Lester at Greater Bethany Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA. Her career encompasses outstanding experiences in nonprofit, academic, faith-based, corporate and governmental arenas, and she lives her life based on the foundational principles of service to God, service to man, accountability, integrity, and excellence. Because of her expansive gift of communication, she is professionally known as Dr. Alonia: The Prolific Voice.

An Atlanta native, Dr. Alonia matriculated the Atlanta Public Schools System, graduating from William A. Bass High School as Salutatorian. She earned her bachelor’s degree in English from Spelman College and studied Biblical Studies and Theology at Luther Rice Seminary. She received a Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Global International Alliance in 2022 in recognition of 30-plus years of humanitarianism and philanthropy.

Among her many honors and awards are the Woman of Excellence Award (*Atlanta Tribune/Atlanta Daily World*), Woman of Influence Award (*ACHI Magazine*), Spelman College’s Alumnae Achievement Award (Media/Communications), Hidden Figure of DeKalb County, letter of commendation from the White House, Live Believe Dream’s But-I-Fly Award, and she was recognized by *Voices of Champions* (VOC) Magazine as one of 10 Powerful Women CEOs. She is the ghost writer of *God Has a Plan for the Underdog* (autobiography of Shelley “Butch” Anthony, III, owner of This Is It! Southern Kitchen & Bar-B-Q), served as lead features writer for *Who’s Who in Black Atlanta*® for many years, features writer for *Who’s Who in Black Alabama*® and *Who’s Who in Black Birmingham*®, was named one of the Atlanta Business League’s top three storytellers, and was nominated as Most Outstanding Journalist by the Electronic Urban Report, an honor she shared with former *ESSENCE* editor-in-chief, Susan Taylor, and romance novelist, Zane. She is also a recipient of Atlanta’s first Mayor’s Scholar Award, a scholarship bestowed to scholars from four of Atlanta’s then-21 high schools for excellence in essay writing.

Dr. Alonia is the former owner of two magazines: *IMANI* (1997-2004) and *South Fulton Lifestyle* (2016-2017). In addition to being the visionary leader of **The Dream Institute Collaborative**, a youth leadership and mentoring organization, she is also the mastermind behind the **BFLY**SM brand of inspiration, and the Wise Women ProsperSM women’s conference. She is a doting mother to three successful adult children, a loving grandmother to two grandsons and one grand-diva, supportive daughter to her mother, and second mother to her niece, nephew, and many others.

With music as her first love, this lively personality enjoys singing and dancing. As “**The Silky Songstress**,” she is on a mission to spread love, joy, and peace through the art of music. Dr. Alonia also loves staying fashionable, healthy, and fit. A travel enthusiast, she looks forward to broadening her horizons through international travel. Stay connected to Dr. Alonia online at www.dralonia.com and www.aloniasings.com.