

AbiYah Yisrael

Nicole 'AbiYah Yisrael' Alfred, is the 6th and last member of the house of Mr. & Mrs. Adolphus and Sonia Christian. She grew up in Glasgow, a sub urban area in the south west of Dominica, in a home where strong Christian principles were enforced, taught and exemplified.

From the tender age of 5 AbiYah (Ah-bee-yah) has been involved in music taking part in various competitions and live shows. Apart from participating in many school choir competitions, AbiYah won her 1st solo competition called Artist of Tomorrow in the junior category in 1998 at 9 years of age. She then went on to become a finalist at Cable and Wireless Star Quest in 2014. In 2019 AbiYah got 2nd runner up at the DOMFESTA Song Contest and emerged 3rd runner up in the Dominica Virtual Calypso Finals in February, 2021.

In 2012, at that time 'Nicole Christian', AbiYah released a gospel album called "Speak To Me". That same year she was enrolled at the University of the West Indies, Cavehill Campus, where she successfully completed a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. There, her perspective on religion, life and history shifted causing her to pull back from music for about 6 years. While attending University she was introduced to the authentic conscious sound of organic roots rock reggae where her love and understanding of reggae grew. Influenced by the lifestyle of her significant other she soon took up an unfathomable interest in the Hebraic teachings of the Kodesh Scriptures and has made and is continuing to make drastic life changes.

Now grown, AbiYah lives in the eastern rural parts of Dominica called Castle Bruce, eating from the soil and drinking from the springs. There, she works with an independent Label **Chayah Studios** which she co-owns. She continues to plan her exit from Babylon and call others into light of the Kingdom of YHWH (Yahweh) which has become her paramount objective.

AbiYah has now reemerged as a new artist singing what she refers to as "Truth Music". Her music is heavily influenced by the songs of Nasio Fontaine, Marcia Griffiths, Dennis Brown, Lucky Dube, Aretha Franklin, Yolanda Adams, among many others. AbiYah identifies herself as an African, a daughter of the nation of Israel and her lyrics reflect those views.

AbiYah is determined to take on the great commission of enlightening others through her music so they become aware of themselves and identity.

AbiYah means Yahweh is my father.

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