



Redemption

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INTRO

"Redemption," based loosely on the life of singer Felicia Moss Eaton. Company states: "Felicia is the daughter of Anne Moss Drinkard, a legendary gospel choir director of the historic New Hope Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey. Anne Drinkard's family



Felicia, a successful singer in her own right traveled the world performing with many of the greatest singers in the music industry. Felicia's famous lineage includes her cousin Dionne Warwick, Whitney Houston, and Aunt Cissy Houston. Surrounded by God's most talented voices, Felicia's life was filled with fame, love, loss and addiction. 'Redemption' explores Felicia's life behind the scenes of the church, to the Grammys, VMA's and MTV. The question? How does a child surrounded and sheltered by the church, religion, community and a legendary gospel family fall through the cracks of an ungodly world?"

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- Felicia Moss Eaton is the daughter of Anne Moss Drinkard, a legendary gospel choir director for the famous New Hope Baptist Church. (Newark NJ) Anne Drinkard's family "The Drinkard Singers" were the first gospel group ever signed to a major recording deal.


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- Felicia's story offers a new perspective on her family and the road to fame. Her journey explores relationships and connection to many of the biggest stars in the music business. Felicia's story is one of hope, love, family and the discovery, of the power of faith.



"I'm so proud of my baby," says Cissy Houston of daughter Whitney Houston. Two of her backup vocalists—cousin Felicia Moss, left, and Von Ellington, right.



Drinkard Singers" were the first gospel group signed to a major record deal in 1959.



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FILM CHARACTERS

CISSY HOUSTON

An American soul and gospel singer. After a successful career singing backup for such artists as Roy Hamilton, Dionne Warwick, Elvis Presley and Aretha Franklin, Houston embarked on a solo career, winning two Grammy Awards for her work. Houston is the mother of singer Whitney Houston, grandmother of Bobbi Kristina Brown, aunt of singers Dionne and Dee Warwick, and a cousin of opera singer Leontyne Price. (Lead)

Female, 35-45

Sassy, fireball, ballsy, blunt, aloof, self-absorbed (sister of Anna, aunt of Felicia, mother of Whitney Houston)

Ethnicity: Black / African Descent

ANN DRINKARD MOSS

When Anne was only 11, she, Cissy, and two brothers, Nick and Larry, sang gospel professionally as the Drinkard Four. Sister Marie was their instructor, and sister Lee, later Warrick and the mother of Dee Dee and Dionne (later Warwick), was their manager.

The group expanded to become The Drinkard Singers; they were the first gospel group to sing with Mahalia Jackson at the National Baptist Convention, the first to sing at the Newport Jazz Festival, and the first to be recorded by RCA. Moss then formed the Drinkard Ensemble, which toured the country with Warwick and served as the inspiration for Alex Bradford's famous play, "Your Arm's Too Short to Box With God."

While she was still in high school, Moss met Felix Moss; they married in 1944 and had three children, Kenneth, Gregory and Felicia, a powerful singer in her own right. Felix Moss died in 1997. Rather than continuing to sing commercially, Moss created a ministry out of her music. At New Hope she lovingly and demandingly directed a children's choir as well as the 11 a.m. Choir, which sang with such power, passion, joy and spirit that they lifted the hearts of everyone who heard them.

Anna Moss Eaton (Lead): Female, 35 -45

Kind, strong, traditional, principled, broken hearted, trust issues (mother of Felicia, wife of Felix Moss, mother of brother, sister of Anna, aunt to Whitney)

Ethnicity: Black / African Descent

FELICIA MOSS EATON

Born in Newark, raised in East Orange New Jersey. An offspring of music royalty. By way of The Drinkard Singers, a gospel pioneer quartet family group. By name there was Anne, Lee, Marie, Cissy, Nick, and Larry Drinkard. They

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