"OH, HAPPY DAY"
 by Edwin Hawkins

Oh, happy day
Oh, happy day
When Jesus washed
Oh, when He washed
When Jesus washed
He washed my sins away
Oh, happy day

He taught me how
To watch and fight and pray
Watch and pray
And live rejoicing every day
Every day

Oh, happy day
Oh, happy day
When Jesus washed
Oh, when He washed
When Jesus washed
He washed my sins away
Oh, happy day

"TOTAL PRAISE"
 By Richard Smallwood

Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills
Knowing my help is coming from You
Your peace You give me in time of the storm

You are the Source of my strength
You are the Strength of my life
I lift my hands in total praise to You

You are the source of my strength
You are the strength of my life
I lift my hands in total praise to You

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

SONG CREDITS
"Oh Happy Day," by Edwin Hawkins
"Wade in the Water," Arranged by Howard Roberts
"Stand Up," by Cynthia Erivo
"Mighty Spirit" by Larnelle Harris
"Total Praise" by Richard Smallwood
The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry is Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church. At the church’s 78th General Convention in June 2015, he was elected to a nine-year term in this role and installed in November of that year. He serves as The Episcopal Church’s chief pastor, spokesperson, and chief executive officer. Throughout his ministry, Bishop Curry has been a prophetic leader, particularly in the areas of racial reconciliation, immigration policy, and marriage equality. His vision and message as presiding bishop is animated by Jesus of Nazareth and his way of radical, sacrificial love, and he regularly reminds Episcopalians they are “the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement.”

Widely regarded as one of the most dynamic preachers of our time, Bishop Curry was ordained a priest in 1978 and served parishes in North Carolina, Ohio, and Maryland until his election as the 11th bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina in 2008.

Bishop Curry has been extensively involved in Crisis Control Ministry and the Absalom Jones Initiative, founding ecumenical summer day camps for children, preaching missions, creating networks of family day care providers and educational centers, and brokering millions of dollars of investment in urban neighborhoods.

The descendant of enslaved Africans brought to North America by way of the trans-Atlantic slave routes, Bishop Curry was born in Chicago in 1953. His father was also an Episcopal priest, and after Bishop Curry’s mother died when he was young, he and his sister were raised by their father and grandmother in upstate New York.

Bishop Curry attended public schools in Buffalo, graduated with high honors from Hobart and William Smith Colleges, and earned a Master of Divinity degree from Yale Divinity School. He furthered his education at The College of Preachers, Princeton Theological Seminary, Wake Forest University, the Ecumenical Institute at St. Mary’s Seminary, and the Institute of Christian Jewish Studies. He holds honorary doctorates from Yale University, Virginia Theological Seminary, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, and Episcopal Divinity School.

Bishop Curry is the author of five books including Love is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubled Times, The Power of Love: Sermons, Reflections & Wisdom to Uplift and Inspire, Following the Call to Follow Jesus, Songs My Grandma Sang and a regular guest on national and international media outlets. In 2018, Religion News Association named him religion newsmaker of the year.

A resident of Raleigh, North Carolina, Bishop Curry is married to Sharon (Clement) Curry, and the couple has two adult daughters, Rachel and Elizabeth.