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Vision Coach Gessie Thompson is the President/CEO of The UpLift! Group, a management, coaching and marketing consulting firm that partners with individuals and organizations to help them **See** their vision, **Soar** towards it and **Succeed** at bringing it to pass.

Currently clients include:

Personal Manager & Vision Coach

- **Corynne L. Corbett**
- **Emanuel Lambert, Jr. p/k/a Da' T.R.U.T.H.** – Minister and Cross Movement Records recording artist. For more information visit www.crossmovementrecords.com. Current album: **Moment of Truth**.
- **Encouragement Coach Felicia T. Scott** – Author of *Thrive! 7 Strategies for Extraordinary Living*. For more information visit www.feliciascott.com.
- **R. Marc Thompson, Jr.** – Motivational Speaker & Lecturer

Marketing Consultant

- **Cross Movement Records** – Christian Hip Hop label. For more information visit www.crossmovementrecords.com.

Recently, Thompson planned and produced a live recording of the *Thrive! 7 Strategies for Extraordinary Living Seminar*, which will be released nationally in late 2005. This event was a pre-launch effort for the upcoming women's personal development conference, **The Extraordinary Makeover™ Tour**, which will feature Encouragement Coach Felicia Scott, financial expert and author, Lynnette Khalfani and two-time Emmy award winning celebrity make-up artist, Elena George. It attracted influencers in the publishing and media industries as well as consumers from the *Thrive!* target audience and received overwhelmingly positive response seeding demand for more *Thrive!* events.

Prior to launching The UpLift! Group, Thompson started her career in the entertainment industry as a founding member of gospel juggernaut Verity Records and then later on at Universal Records/Kedar Entertainment. Her multifaceted background includes: artist relations, marketing, national and regional

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promotions for various gospel releases, most notably the Stellar and NAACP Image Award Winning and Grammy nominated **John P. Kee and New Life Community Choir** release “SHOW UP!”—“the definitive album that set the standard for contemporary Gospel singers and choirs across the board,” as stated in the Gospel Industry Round Up 2005. “SHOW UP!” was certified gold September 15, 1997 by the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA)—a first for both John P. Kee and Verity Records.

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