



LOVE HEALS

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Becca Stevens is an author, speaker, Episcopal priest, justice entrepreneur, and founder and president of [Thistle Farms](#) (Nashville, TN), a community of women survivors of prostitution, trafficking and addiction. Thistle Farms includes a holistic two-year residential program, justice enterprises that employ survivors, and an education and outreach program that includes a national network of 50 sister communities. The Global Market of Thistle Farms helps employ more than 1,800 women worldwide.

Becca is a graduate of the University of the South and Vanderbilt Divinity School. She has been conferred three honorary doctorates and named a 2011 White House “Champion of Change” as well as a 2016 CNN Top Ten Hero. Becca has been honored as Humanitarian of the Year by the Small

Business Council of America as well as the TJ Martell Foundation, and has been inducted into the Tennessee Women’s Hall of Fame. She has been featured in *The New York Times*, ABC World News, NPR, CNN and other national press.

Becca experienced the death of her father and subsequent child abuse at a young age, and as an adult she longed to create a sanctuary for survivors. In 1997, five women who had experienced trafficking, violence, and addiction were the first to enter the Magdalene residential program (now one of several Thistle Farms programs). Twenty years later, women continue to heal as they are provided with two years of free housing, medical care, therapy and education. Residents and graduates earn income through one of four justice enterprises. Thistle Farms’ expanding line of home and body products generates millions of dollars in revenue for survivors around the globe.

Becca is the author of ten books, including her latest: ***Love Heals*** (Thomas Nelson, 2017).

Becca regularly keynotes at national events, business gatherings, worship services as well as universities and colleges across the country. She is an international voice for the growing global movement for women's freedom and a fervently hopeful and loving champion of the marginalized.

Becca Stevens and her husband, Grammy-winning songwriter Marcus Hummon, live in Nashville with their three sons.



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